Pike, Allegany Co. NY [now in Wyoming Co.]

Know all men by these presents that the male persons of full age belonging to the first Universalist Society in the town of Pike county of Allegany and State of New York convened pursuant to previous legal notices at the Methodist Meeting House in the village of Pike for the purpose of organizing themselves into a religious Society agreeable with the Statute incorporating religious societies in such case made and provided[;] wherepon Eli Murray and L. B. Lathrop were duly nominated to preside at the election of trustees[,] receive the votes of the electors, be the judges of the qualifications of such electors and the officers elected and to return the names of the persons chosen as trustees of said society and certify the same under their hands and seals for recording in the County Clerks Office[.] We therefore the said Eli Murray and L. B. Lathrop do hereby certify that at the said meeting Moses Smith[,] Abner Adams, David Granger, Peter Whitcomb and Lewis Graves were elected by a plurality of votes as trustees of said society to take the charge of the estate and property belonging thereto, and to transact all affairs belonging to the temporalities, and to be hereafter known they and their successors by the name and title of the First Universalist Society in the Town aforesaid which trustees immediately after this election were divided into three distinct classes according to the direction of the Statute[.] Given under our hands and seals this 17th day of January 1833[.]

> Elí Murry L.B. Lathrop

Allegany County

On this 20th day of April 1833 before me Jonathan Emery a Commissioner of Deeds in and for said county came Eli Murry and L. B. Lathrop to me known to be the persons described in and who acknowledged that they executed the within instrument for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Jonathan Emery Commissioner of Deeds

Recorded October 27th, 1835 at 2 o'clock P.M.

T. J. Chew Clerk

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