

Whereas a number of the inhabitants of the townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, believing that a new township, set off from parts of the above townships, would greatly facilitate their township business &c, Petitioned the Legislature for an act embracing the above object - which received the sanction of that body, and was passed Feby, 18th 1847.

An act to set off from the townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, in the county of Monmouth, a new township, to be called the township of - Atlantic.

Boundaries of Township. — 1. BE it ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey, — That all that part of the townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, in the county of Monmouth, lying within the following boundaries, that is to say; beginning at the southwest corner of the townships of Shrewsbury, where the Freehold, Shrewsbury and Howell township lines meet; thence running northerly until it comes to the mouth of the road that leads through Jacob Conover's farm; thence northerly, following the middle of said road, until it comes to the road near — Hulse's house, which road leads to John. J. Ely's mills; thence easterly, following the middle of said road, until it strikes Middle Hop brook; thence easterly, down said brook, its various courses, until it comes to Swimming river bridge; thence southerly, along the middle of the main road leading to Tinton Falls, until it comes to Haggerty's corner; thence southerly, until it strikes the Tinton Falls mill-pond brook; thence up the said brook, its various courses, until it comes to Pine brook; thence up the said Pine brook, until it strikes the Howell township line; thence westerly along the line dividing the townships of Howell and Shrewsbury, to the Freehold line, the place of beginning, is hereby set off from the said townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, and erected into a separate township, to be called and known by the name of "the township of Atlantic."

Inhabitants incorporated. — 2. And be it enacted, That the inhabitants of the said township of Atlantic are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate in law, and shall be styled and known by the name of "the inhabitants of the township of Atlantic, in the county of Monmouth"; shall be vested with, and entitled to all the rights, powers, authority, privileges, and advantages, and subject to the same regulations, government, and liabilities, as the inhabitants of the other townships in the said county of Monmouth.

First town meeting. — 3. And be it enacted, That the inhabitants of the township of Atlantic shall hold their first annual town meeting at the public house now kept by —

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Samuel Said, in the village of Colts Neck, on the day appointed by law for holding the annual town meetings in the other townships of the County of Monmouth, and afterwards at such places in the townships of Atlantic as the said inhabitants shall determine, in the manner prescribed by law.

Settlement of
paupers.

4. And be it enacted, That all paupers who may be chargeable to the said townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold, and Middletown, at the time when this act shall go into operation, shall hereafter be chargeable to and supported by that township within the bounds of which they have acquired their settlements, respectively, or in which the said paupers may have resided at the time of acquiring their respective settlements; and all persons whose present settlements are in the said townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold, and Middletown, and who shall hereafter become chargeable as paupers, shall be supported, by that one of the said townships of Atlantic, Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, within the bounds of which they respectively resided at the time of acquiring their settlements.

Property of
townships, how
divided.

5. And be it enacted, That all the real and personal property now belonging to the said township of Shrewsbury, shall hereafter belong to the said townships of Atlantic and Shrewsbury, in proportion to the taxable property and ratables, as valued and assessed by ^{the} assessors, within the respective limits of the said township at the last assessment, and shall be owned and held by them in common; all the real and personal property now belonging to the township of Freehold, shall hereafter belong to the townships of Atlantic and Freehold, in the same proportion and manner as above mentioned and described; and all the real and personal property now belonging to the township of Middletown, shall hereafter belong to the townships of Atlantic and Middletown in the same proportion and manner as above mentioned and described.

Town committees
to allot and
divide property.

6. And be it enacted, That the township committees of Atlantic, Shrewsbury, Freehold and Middletown, shall meet on the second Tuesday of April next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the house of Samuel Said, in the village of Colts Neck, in the said township of Atlantic, and shall then and there proceed by writing, to be signed by a majority of those present, to allot and divide between the said townships all the property and money on hand, due or to become due, in proportion to the taxable property and ratables, as valued and assessed by the assessors within the respective limits of the said townships at the last assessment; and shall also ascertain and determine which of the paupers now supported by the townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold, and Middletown, shall have their residence in that part of said township.

hereby set off as the township of Atlantic, and may adjourn said meeting from time to time, and to such time and place as a majority of those present may think proper; and the township of Atlantic shall be liable to pay her just proportion of the debts, if any there be, and to support and maintain the paupers so allotted to the said township of Atlantic; and if any of the members of the said township committees shall neglect or refuse to meet as aforesaid, those present may proceed to make such division, and their decision, or a decision of a majority of them, shall be final and conclusive.

Committee to
sell property.

7. And be it enacted, That the township committee of the said township of Atlantic shall have power, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and release to the said townships of Shrewsbury, Freehold, and Middletown, respectively, all the right, share, and interest of the said township of Atlantic in and to the property, both real and personal, now belonging to the said townships, respectively, or any part thereof, for such sum or sums as may be agreed upon by the committees of the townships interested, and to make and deliver good and sufficient deed or deeds for the same.

Right of
Atlantic to
surplus revenue.

8. And be it enacted, That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to impair or in anywise affect the rights of the said township of Atlantic in and to any portion of the surplus revenue of the general government, to which the said township may now, or at any time hereafter be entitled in the distribution of said surplus revenue.

Act when to
take effect.

9. And be it enacted, That this act shall take effect and go into operation immediately after the passage thereof.

Approved, February 18th 1847.

N. B.

The course marked down by the surveyor Hendrick Thychoff, from the beginning of the township of Atlantic, to the mouth of the road that leads through Jacob Conover's farm, is north ten degrees East, as the needle pointed 16th March 1847. The course from Heagerty's corner as marked down on the same map, to the Tinton Falls mill pond brook, is South thirty degrees East. — Pine brook stream does not, as supposed reach quite up to the Howell line; — the course as run by the surveyor, from the head of the said Pine brook stream (under the direction of the town committee) is South fifty five degrees West to the Howell line — (being a corner of Howell and Shrewsbury) at a place called the Horse Pound.

1847

Records

Constables Bonds

Know all men by these presents, that we Daniel Lawrence Elias Vanderveer, Daniel Polhemus John L. Stoutenborough and Elias Sickles, all of the Township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth in the State of New Jersey, are held and firmly bound unto the inhabitants of the Township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth in the sum of Two Thousand Dollars money of the United States, to be paid to the said inhabitants of the Township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth their successors or assigns, to which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and each of us, for himself, in the whole our and every of our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents, sealed with our seals, and dated the Twelfth Day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and forty seven—

The Condition of this Obligation is,

that whereas the above bound Daniel Lawrence was, at the last Annual Town Meeting of the Township of Atlantic elected a Constable of said Township, now therefore if the said Daniel Lawrence shall truly and faithfully perform all the duties enjoined on him as Constable of said Township, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue,

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Jesse Hester

Daniel Lawrence
Elias Vanderveer
Daniel Polhemus

Elias Sickles

1848

Collectors Bonds

Know all men by these presents, that we John VanMatre and William Wright of the Township of Atlantic, in the County of Monmouth, in the State of New Jersey, are held and firmly bound unto the inhabitants of the Township of Atlantic, in the County of Monmouth in the sum of four thousand Dollars, money of the United States to be paid by the said inhabitants of the Township of Atlantic, in the County of Monmouth, their successors or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us for himself in the whole, our and every of our heirs, executors and administrators jointly by these presents, Sealed with our seals, and dated the 16th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight (1848)

The Conditions of this obligation is, that whereas, the above bound John VanMatre was, at the last annual Town Meeting of the township of Atlantic elected Collector of said Township; now therefore if the said John VanMatre shall truly and faithfully perform all the duties enjoined on him as Collector of said Township, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue,

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Elisha Laird

John VanMatre *LD*
William Wright *LD*

1848

Constables Bond

Know all Men by these presents that we Daniel Lawrence John Hatesin John L Stoutenborough, Daniel Palhemus, Thomas W. Sherman, Arthur Vanderveen, James K Van Meter, Elias Sickles and John Van Meter all of the Township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth in the State of New Jersey are held and firmly bound unto the inhabitants of the Township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth, in the sum of One thousand Dollars, Money of the United States, to be paid to the said inhabitants of the township of Atlantic in the County of Monmouth, their successors or assigns, to which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us for himself in the whole, our and every of our heirs executors and Administrators, jointly by these presents, sealed with our seals, and dated the 19th day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and forty eight (1848)

The Conditions of this obligation is, that whereas the above bound Daniel Lawrence was, ~~Mayor~~ at the last Annual town Meeting of the township of Atlantic, elected a Constable of said township, now therefore, if the said Daniel Lawrence shall truly and faithfully perform all the duties enjoined on him as Constable of said township, then the above obligation to be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and virtue.

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
John Hatesin

Daniel Lawrence	(L.S.)
John Hatesin	(L.S.)
John L Stoutenborough	(L.S.)
Daniel Palhemus	(L.S.)
Thomas W Sherman	(L.S.)
Arthur Vanderveen	(L.S.)
James K Van Meter	(L.S.)
Elias Sickles	(L.S.)
John Van Meter	(L.S.)