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ov. 1728, O.S. p. 49

Surveyor appointed

William Howard Gent. is appointed Surveyor of the road from the Court house into the Back road above Major Bolling's mill. Henry Wood is appointed Surveyor of the road from Tuckahoe Creek mill to Manakin Town Ferry⁸ Stephen Hughes is appointed Surveyor of the road from the Court house Ferry down the South side of the James River the most convenient way for the lower Inhabitants to come to Court, and it is ordered that the Inhabitants between the main road and the River clear said road./.

Jan. 1729, O.S. p. 64

Surveyor of the road

Ordered that the Titheables of James Moss, David Clarkson, Thomas By, George Thompson, Samuel Butler, Andrew Pruit, do assist in clearing road from Tuckahoe mill⁹ to ferry over James River at the Manakin Town./.

Jan. 1729, O.S. p. 64

Surveyor of the road

Ordered that the road from John ffords towards Appamatox ridge be cleared over both the branches of ffine Creek,¹⁰ Nathaniel Basset is appointed Surveyor thereof./.

Feb. 1729, O.S. p. 73

Surveyor of the road

Jacob Micheaux is appointed Surveyor of the road¹¹ from fine Creek to Colomons Creek, and from the ferry to the main road upwards./.

March 1729, O.S. p. 83

Surveyor appoint's

Sarah Atkinson is permitted to keep ferry¹ and the rate of ferryage a man is Settled at 3P and for a Horse at 3P. William Mayo and Ariel Stoner Gent. are desired to agree with her for keeping County Ferry./.

March 1729, O.S. p. 83

Surveyor of the road

David Walker is appointed Surveyor of the road¹² from the Courthouse into the back road above Major Bolling's Mill./.

May 1729, O.S. p. 97

Surveyor of the road

Constant Perkins is appointed Surveyor of the road from Thomas Mel's to the back road. Anthony Hoggat from Tuckahoe Creek mill¹³ towards Hanover County as far as the County line./.

May 1729, O.S. p. 97

Surveyor appd.

Stephen Hughes on the behalf of Sarah Atkinson¹ agrees to keep ferry at the Court house for 800 lbs. of tobacco p Annum and to let over persons living in the County on Court days and all other publick and the Sheriff and his Officers at all times./.

May 1729, O.S. p. 97

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Surveyor of the Road

Warham Easley is appointed Surveyor of the road from Richard Parker's on Letalone Creek the best way down to the Manakin Town road and it is ordered that the Inhabitants near the said road be exempt from clearing any other road./.

19 August 1729, O.S. p. 143

Surveyor of the road

David Walker is appointed Surveyor of the Road¹⁴ from the Court house into the back road above Major Bolling's mill and it is ordered that severall male labouring titheables of Joseph Woodson, Henry Adkins William May, Richard Cocke, William Moor, Edward Curd, Abraham Perkins, and John Moor do assist in Clearing the said road./.

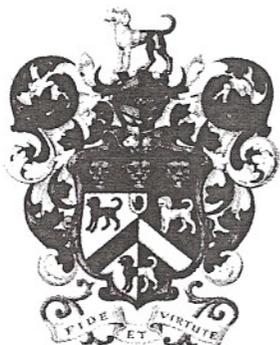
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NOTES: by Elie Weeks

1. This ferry west of Maidens, was operated from China Creek on the north side of the James River to Mohawk Creek on the south side. The Courthouse stood on the east side of China Creek between the two Branches.
2. Treasurers Run is a temporary name given Lickinghole Creek. (See patent Book 10, page 235, dated 23 Dec. 1714 for 1388 acres granted Major John Bolling "on south side of Lickinghole Creek, now called Treasurer's Run.")
3. Patrick's Ford was probably the ford in what is now Fluvanna County, where the River Road crosses the Rivanna River.
4. The entries starting with Tarleton Fleming, Gent, refer to roads south of the James in what are now Powhatan and Cumberland Counties. The pit referred to a coal pit supplying William Byrd's iron works in what is now Chesterfield County.
5. Letalone Creek runs south from Route No. 13 (Buckingham Road) near Tobaccoville and flows into the Appomatox River. (See Patent Book 14, page 141, grant to Hutchison Burton, 28 Sept. 1730, 400 acres at mouth of Letalone Creek.)
6. Woodson's Mill Creek is Dover Mill Creek. The River Road crossed this Creek at what is now called Sabot.
7. This Ferry landing was Atkinson's Ferry landing on Mohawk Creek in Powhatan County (Route No. 522).
8. The Manakin Town Ferry crossed the James River near the Manakin R.R. Station Road in Goochland County (621) to the south bank near the Huguenot Manakin Town in what is now Powhatan County.
9. This was probably the mill on Tuckahoe Creek north of Route No. 250 west of old route No. 623. The Manakin-Town Ferry crossed the James River from a point south of the southern end of Route No. 621.
10. This was in Powhatan County. This Road was called the Middle Road (Route No. 615).
11. This road was the River Road (No. 711 then No. 618). The ferry was Jefferson Ferry and the Ferry Road was called the Jefferson Road and ran from about a half mile west of the intersection of No. 522 (the Michaux Ferry Road) and No. 711 (the River Road) to the ferry crossing the James River at the old abandoned town of Jefferson.
12. Probably about where Route No. 634 runs.
13. Approximately Route No. 623 (Hocketts Road).
14. This road ran from the old Courthouse in the Branches of China Creek northwest of the State Farm for Women, across the River Road (Route No. 6), then along side of the south side of the present Courthouse wall, across Courthouse Creek whose old name was the Main Stem of Beaverdam Creek, then what is now Route No. 634. The "Back Road" ran along the general corridor of Route No. 522 from Sandy Hook, then crossed Courthouse Creek on No. 633, → across Beaverdam Creek on No. 637, → No. 632, → No. 638, → No. 639, → No. 670, → left on No. 641 to Hebron Church. The western portion of this road became known as the White Hall Road.

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15 Sept. 1730, O.S. p. 27

Randolph permitted to clear road.

On the motion of Isham Randolph leave is granted him to clear a road²² from his Plantation above Treasurer's Run into the main Road along a ridge of land passing by the Plantation of Joseph Jackson.

17 Nov. 1730, O.S. p. 51

Stephen Hughes undertakes to keep a fferry¹ at the Plantation where Widow Atkinson lately dwelt and to set over on all Court days all persons who live in the County and the Sherif and his Officers at all times. In Consideration of which service it is the opinion of the Court that there be levied for the said Stephen annually 1600 lbs. of tobacco with Cask and conveniency, and that the said Stephen be excused from listing one titheable./.

16 Feb. 1730, O.S. p. 68

Jones Creek bridge to built—

Edward Scot undertakes to build a good strong and Substantial over Jones's Creek²³ to fit for Carts to pass and to keep the same in repair for the Space of Seven years after the Same is finished and at the expiration of the said Term to leave the Said bridge in good and sufficient repair for which it is considered by the Court that there be levy'd for the said Edward Scot and in his name at the laying on of the next county levy 4,000 lbs. of tobacco with Cask and with Cask and Conveniency provided said bridge to then finish and that the said Edward Scot then or at any Court before enter in Bond with good and sufficient Security to comply with the agreement before said on his part made

16 Feb. 1730, O.S. p. 68

Bever dam Creek bridge to be built—

Edward Scot undertakes to build a good Strong and Substantial bridge over Bever dam Creek²⁴ fit for Carts to pass and to keep the same in repair for the Space of Seven years after the same is finished and after the expiration of the Said Term to leave the Said bridge in good and Sufficient repair for which it is considered by the Court that there be levyd for the said Edward Scot a _____ laying on of the next County levy five thousand _____ with Cask Conveniency Provided the _____ finished and that the said Edward Scot then or at any _____ enter into bond with good and Sufficient Security for _____ the agreement aforesaid on his part made

16 Feb. 1730, O.S. p. 68

Surveyor of the road

Edward Scot is appointed Surveyor of all the roads between _____ in this County and of the road passing through the Man(acanton road).²⁵

16 Feb. 1730, O.S. p. 69

Surveyor of the road

Ordered that the severall Male labouring titheables in the Precincts whereof James Nowlin and David Walker are appointed Surveyors do jointly assist in repairing the bridge over Beverdam Creek on the middle road²⁶

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16 Feb. 1730, p. 79

Surveyor of the Road

Ordered that the titheables of William Chamberlaine under the ca William May, Charles Spurlock and John Richardson and their titheable assist John Mc. Bird (McBride) in Clearing the road of which he is appoi Surveyor²⁷

16 Feb. 1730, O.S. p. 79

Surveyor of the road—

On the Motion of Henry Wood who was formerly appointed Survey the road²⁸ from Tuckahoe Creek mill into the river road towards the Ch and fferry, it is Ordered that he do clear the said Road such way as he judge most convenient so as that the same do not prejudice any pers Plantation by passing through it.

17 March, 1730 O.S. p. 88

Manacanton Road

On the motion of Edward _____ for leave to alter the road²⁹ which pa through the Manacanton low grounds it is Ordered that Glaude Gore Gideon Chambon be Summoned to appear at the next Court to make t objections thereto

18 May 1731, O.S. p. 105

Surv of road

Thomas Turpin is appointed Surveyor of the Road from the ffork³⁰ o Road between Jones's Creek and fine Creek so far as to extend over the branch and it is ordered that all the titheables adjacent to the said Road su up the same as to include the titheables of William Easley and James Coc assist in Clearing it

18 May 1731, O.S. p. 105

Surveyor _____

_____asse appointed Surveyor of the Road³¹ from the long bra _____ between Jones's Creek and fine creek upwards as farr as cross the f ffine Creek including the upper Creek with a Slash on the upper Side

18 May 1731, O.S. p. 106

Surveyor of road

Anthony Hughes is appointed Surveyor of the road³² from the Slasl the upper side of the upper branch of ffine Creek to the Chappell and ordered that the Titheables of Joel Chandler William Chandler Bartholor Stovall and William Davis and all others within that neighbourhood do a in clearing the said road

18 May 1731, p. 106

Surveyor of the road

John Franklin is appointed Surveyor of the road³³ from ffine Cree Solomons Creek and it is Ordered that the titheables of Daniel Stoner Da Johnson, John Cox, ffrederick Cox, Joseph John Isaac Hug(hes) Nich Wilskinson and all others within that neighbourhood do assist in clearing said road.