

PREFACE

This transcript represents the earliest known record book of the Town of Haymarket, now celebrating its 200th anniversary.

The original manuscript, labeled on its spine "Minute Book, Prince Wm. County," was deposited for safe keeping in the Ruth E. Lloyd Information Center (RELIC) in 1995 by Haymarket town historian, Sarah Turner. The cover is in frail condition. This transcription and image of the ledger are offered now to make the information available without harming the original book.

The first part contains "Minute Book of Gainesville Township" December 21, 1870 - November 17, 1875, apparently the entire term of the township board's existence. The remainder of the book was used by the newly incorporated Town of Haymarket for its "Journal of Transactions of Town Council," May 2, 1882 - November 2, 1883.

Comments/observations have been italicized and entered within brackets. Spelling mistakes have not been corrected. Meeting dates have been printed in bold to make it easier for the reader to find the entries. No page numbers are written in the ledger so I have assigned page numbers contained in brackets. At the end is an index of people's names and places.

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GAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS
1870 - 1875
HAYMARKET TOWN COUNCIL
1882 - 1883
PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA

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