

Colton, St. Lawrence Co. NY

This may certify that at a meeting held in the town of Colton on the 15th day of December 1851 for the purpose of organizing a Universalist society pursuant to public notice given according to the statute in such case made and provided[,] Zina Hepburn and Pelopides Potter were duly nominated to preside at said meeting. The meeting being duly organized it was first voted that the society shall hereafter be known and distinguished by the name and title of the First Universalist Society of the town of Colton[.] Second voted that said Society shall have three trustees, and that said trustees and their successors shall hereafter be known and called by the name and title of the Trustees of the First Universalist Society in the town of Colton. Third voted to proceed to the election of trustees for said society, whereupon [Alonzo Squires?] was elected for one year, Edwin W. Butler was elected for two years, James S. Ellis was elected for three years. Fourth voted that the annual meeting of said society be held on the 18 day of February in each year. Fifth noted that Zina Hepburn and James S. Ellis be and are hereby authorized to certify and return these proceedings to the clerk of said county. Given under our hands and seals the day and year above written.

St. Lawrence County

Jas. S. Ellis
Zina Hepburn

On this second day of February 1854 personally appeared before me James S. Ellis and Zina Hepburn to me known to be the individuals described in and who executed the within instrument and severally duly acknowledged the execution thereof for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Wm. N. Jaquis Justice of the Peace

Recorded February 6, 1854 at 12 o'clock noon

G. S. Winslow clerk

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