

**Hartwick & Otsego, Otsego Co. NY
(Fly Creek)**

To whoever it may concern[.] This may certify that at a meeting held at the house of Ebenezer Utly in the town of Otsego on the nineteenth day of September instant pursuant to public notice previously, duly given for the purpose of organizing a Society agreeable to the 3^d section of an act entitled an Act to provide for the incorporation of religious Societies passed the 27th March 1801—Ambrose Clark & Peres Bradford two of the members of said Society were nominated by a majority of the members present to preside at said meeting and election and to return the names of the persons who by plurality of voices should be elected to serve as trustees for the said congregation— We the said Ambrose Clark & Peres Bradford aforesaid do certify that at said meeting Chancy Newel, Nehemiah Burch, [and] Eliphalet Dewey were by a plurality of voices elected to serve as trustees for said society[.] [W]e do also certify that the name or title by which said trustees and their successors are hereafter to be known as “The Trustees of the first United Universal Society in Hartwick, Otsego and the Vicinity Thereof” and that said title was then and there agreed on by said meeting[.] Done at Otsego the 28th day of September 1807

*Ambrose Clark
Peres Bradford*

In presence of John Miller & [Davis?] Cushman
witness to Ambrose Clark signing

Abner Pier[.] witness to Peres Bradford signing

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Be it remembered that on the 28th day of March A.D. 1808 personally appeared before me Elijah H. Metcalf one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Otsego Ambrose Clark to me known who did acknowledge that he did execute and deliver the within instrument for the purpose therein mentioned likewise appeared before me Abner Pier to me known he being duly sworn said that he did see Peres Bradford to him known execute and deliver the within instrument for the purpose therein mentioned[.] I having examined the same and finding no material alteration therein do allow it to be recorded

Elijah H. Metcalf
Commissioner of deeds &c.

Recorded March 20 1808 at 9. o'clock A.M.

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