

Hornell, Steuben Co. NY

We the undersigned two of the members of the congregation of the Religious Society hereinafter mentioned do hereby certify that on the twenty-third day of May 1868 the male persons of full age belonging to the congregation of the religious society in which divine worship is celebrated according to the rites of the Universalist church and not already incorporated met at the place of public worship heretofore occupied by the said corporation in the village of Hornellsville in said county of Steuben for the purpose of incorporating themselves and did then and there elect by plurality of voices Charles Costen, J. T. Barclay, [and] Edward Rose as trustees of said religious society or church and the said persons did then and there also determine by the like plurality of voices that the said trustees and their successors should forever hereafter be called and known by the name of the "First Universalist Church of Hornellsville."

Asa McConnell
O. Sheldon

State of New York
County of Steuben

On this 23 day of May 1868 before me the subscriber personally came Asa McConnell [and] Orson Sheldon, to me known to be the same persons who executed the foregoing instrument and they each severally acknowledged to me the execution thereof by me for the purposes therein mentioned.

S. F. Gilbert
Justice of the Peace

Recorded 2d May 28th, 1868

A. A. Van Arsdale clerk

Steuben County Incorporation Records, p. 261