

Session
Laws error, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the authority of the same, That Mr. John Caldwell, Mr. Ebenezer Handy, Mr. Thomas Gillys, Mr. Isaac Handy, and Mr. John Disharoon, or any Three of them, shall be and are hereby appointed Commissioners for Somerset County aforesaid, and are hereby authorized and empowered, as well to agree for the buying and purchasing Fifteen Acres of Land out of the Tract aforesaid, and such Part, not exceeding Fifteen Acres, as lies most convenient to the Water, as for surveying and laying the same out, in the most convenient Manner, into Twenty equal Lots, to be erected into a Town.

And be it further Enacted, That Commissioners aforesaid herein before nominated and appointed, or the major Part of them, are hereby empowered, some Time before the Tenth Day of December, which shall be in the Year of our Lord God, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Two, to meet together on the Tract of Land aforesaid, or some other convenient Place thereto, and shall then and there treat and agree with the Owner or Owners, and the Persons interested in the said Fifteen Acres of Land, for the same; and after Purchase thereof, shall cause the same to be surveyed, laid out, and divided, as near as may be, into Twenty equal Lots, allowing such sufficient Space or Quantity thereof, for Streets, Lanes, and Alleys, as to them shall seem meet, with Posts or Stakes towards every Street, Lane, or Alley; the said Lots to be numbered One, Two, Three, and so on to Twenty, for the better and more sure distinguishing each Lot from the other: Of which said Twenty Lots, the Owner or Owners of the said Land shall have his or their first Choice for Two Lots, and after such Choice, the remaining Lots may be taken up by others; and that no Person shall presume to purchase more than One Lot within the said Fifteen Acres, during the first Four Months after laying out the same; and that the said Lots shall be purchased by the Inhabitants of the County aforesaid. And in
p. 22 Case the Inhabitants shall not take up the said Lots within Six Months after such laying out, as aforesaid, it shall then be lawful for any Person or Persons whatsoever, to take up the said Lot or Lots, paying the Owner or Owners proportionably for the same. And in Case the Owner or Owners of the aforesaid Fifteen Acres of Land, shall refuse to make Sale of the same, or that through Nonage, Coverture, or any other Disability or Impediment whatsoever, are disabled to make such Sale as aforesaid, that then the Commissioners aforesaid, or the major Part of them, shall and are, by Virtue of this Act, authorized, empowered, and required, to issue Warrants under their Hands and Seals, to the Sheriff of the said County; which said Sheriff is also hereby required and empowered, upon Receipt of such Warrants to impanel and return a Jury of the most substantial Freeholders, Inhabitants within the said County, to be and appear before the said Commissioners at a certain Day and