

said Town, out of his, her, or their Inclosure, any Hog or Hogs, Goose or Geese, Sheep, Horse or Horses, Cow or Cows, or other Cattle, shall pay One Hundred Pounds of Tobacco, for each Transgression; the same to be levied on the Body, Goods, or Chattels of the Offender, by Way of Execution, as in Case of small Debts; and to be applied to the Use of the Free-School of the County aforesaid.

Session
Laws

An Act for Erecting a Town at and about the Landing, called, The Elk-Ridge Landing, near the Head of Potapsco River, in Anne-Arundel County. Chap. III

Whereas, the Inhabitants of the Upper Parts of Anne-Arundel County, have, by their Petition to this General Assembly, set forth, That the vast Body of rich Lands, and the Situation of the Neighbourhood in general, renders the Head of Potapsco River, at the Landing, called, The Elk-Ridge Landing, a very commodious Place for the Situation of a Town, and the most convenient for the Western Parts of Baltimore County, and all the back Land upon Patowmack and Monockacy Rivers; and prayed, that an Act might pass, to erect the said Place into a Town:

Be it therefore Enacted, by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That Mr. Philip Hammond, Capt. Benjamin Howard, Mr. Joshua Dorsey, Mr. John Dorsey, Son of Edward, Mr. John Howard, and Mr. John Hammond, Son of Charles, or any Three of them, shall be, and are hereby appointed Commissioners for Anne-Arundel County, aforesaid; and are hereby authorized and impowered, as well to agree for the Buying and Purchasing Thirty Acres of Land, at or about the Place aforesaid, and such Part as lies most convenient to the Water, as for Surveying and Laying out the same in the most convenient Manner, into Forty equal Lots, to be erected into a Town.

And be it further Enacted, That the Commissioners aforesaid, herein before nominated and appointed, or the major Part of them, are hereby impowered, some Time before the Last Day of October next, to meet together, at the Place aforesaid, or some other convenient Place, adjacent thereto; and shall then and there treat and agree with the Owner or Owners, or Persons interested in the said Thirty 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 Forty equal Lots, allowing such sufficient Space or Quantity thereof, for Streets, Lanes, and Allies, 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 Forty, for the better and more sure distinguishing each Lot from the other: Of which Forty Lots, the Owner or Owners of the said

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