

Petition for Organization of Village (St. Johns.)

To the Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio.

The undersigned, being more than thirty (30) electors residing within the hereinafter described territory, hereby petition your Honorable Body for permission to organize therein a municipal corporation under the laws of Ohio, and respectfully represent:

First: That the following is an accurate description of the territory embraced in the proposed corporation, to wit: Commencing 33 feet east of the center of the main track of The Ohio Southern Rail Road, and the South line of Section thirty two (32), town five (5) South, Range seven (7) East, and running thence North along the railroad ground 10.00 chains; thence West to the west line of said section thirty two (32); thence South 10.00 chains to the south west corner of said Section; thence East along the center of the Bellico Pike 3.38 chains to the North West corner of Section four (5), Town six (6) South, Range seven (7) East; thence South along the center of the Ashburn Pike 20 chains; thence East to the east line of the right of way of the Ohio Southern Railroad; thence North along the east line of said right of way 20 chains to the beginning, and that the plat, accompanying this petition, marked "Territory for proposed corporation" is an accurate map of such territory.

Second: That the number of inhabitants residing in said proposed corporation is more than two hundred (200).

Third: That such corporation shall be a village.

Fourth: That the name thereof shall be the Village of St. Johns.

Fifth: That J. H. Pillars shall act as the Agent of the undersigned petitioners.

Respectfully submitted,

John Beer

Geo. Martin

L. L. Shannon

Israel Hague

H. J. Blakely

George W. Shannon

Geo. Cowell

J. E. Dennis

Mat. Plankell

Henry Shaw

Alonso Williams

W. H. Dearborn

Wm. Bush

Elmer Hague

C. W. Parker

E. H. English

Samuel Brackney

F. Fisher

J. W. Williams Jr.

Grant Williams

L. L. Hague

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Eugene Bush

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John Blank

Levi Snyder

E. Pillars

Eli Blank

Jacob Beer

Plat recorded in Plat Book K page 3.

Auditors Office, Auglaize Co. O. Dec. 3, 1900.

In the matter of the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns, O. - Regular Session.

Board met in regular session with the following members present: J. D. Butcher, Henry Hellbusch, Daniel Plummer.

This day came J. H. Pillars as the Agent for the petitioners for the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns, and on behalf of said petitioners presented to the Commissioners, a petition duly signed for the incorporation of said village, and also a plat or map of such territory sought to be incorporated, and thereupon said Board caused said petition to be filed in the office of the County Auditor on the 3rd day of December 1900. It is therefore now ordered by said Board of County Commissioners that said petition be heard before them at their office in the Court House at Mapakowita, Ohio, on the 18th day of Feb. 1901 at 10 o'clock A.M.

Attest: J. A. Orphal, Auditor

Auditors Office, Auglaize Co. O. Feb. 18, 1901

In the matter of the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns, O.

This day the Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio, being in special session with the following members present: J. D. Butcher, Henry Hellbusch and Daniel Plummer, and after reading the petition in the above styled matter, and it appearing that said petition had

the required number of signers, thereupon, on motion, Board adjourned in said matter until Feb. 28, 1901 at 10 o'clock A.M. and in the meantime new said premises.

Attest: L. A. Orshal, Auditor, Clerk of Board
Auditors Office, Auglaize Co. O. Feb. 28, 1901.

In the matter of the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns.

This day the Commissioners of Auglaize Co. O. being in special session with the following members present: J. D. Butcher, Henry Hellbusch, and Samuel Plummer. On motion Board adjourned in said matter until March 9th 1901 at 10 o'clock A.M.

Attest: L. A. Orshal, Auditor, Clerk of Board.
Auditors Office, Auglaize Co. O. March 9th 1901.

In the matter of the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns.

The Board of Commissioners of Auglaize County, Ohio, proceeding this day to hear the matter of the application of J. H. Villars and others for permission to organize a municipal corporation in the territory in their petition described; and the Board having heard the arguments and suggestions of the persons appearing for and against the granting of the prayer of the petition, and having considered the affidavits presented with reference thereto, and having heard the arguments of counsel employed by parties therein on both sides, and being fully advised in the premises, do find, that the said petition contains all the matter required by law to be contained therein; that its statements are true; that the name proposed is appropriate; that the limits of the proposed incorporation are accurately described and are not unreasonably large or small; that the plat accompanying said petition, is accurate; that the persons, or at least more than thirty (30) of them whose names are subscribed to said petition are bona fide electors residing in the territory therein described; that a notice of the time and place of the hearing of said petition, containing the substance thereof was published in the Auglaize County Democrat, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the County of Auglaize for six consecutive weeks subsequent to the filing of said petition with the County Auditor and that a copy of said notice was posted in a conspicuous place within the said proposed corporation for six (6) weeks prior to the time fixed for such hearing; that the population of such proposed corporation is more than two hundred (200) bona fide residents. And it further appearing to the Board that it is right and proper that the prayer of said petition be granted, it is now hereby ordered that the said corporation be organized as in said petition prayed. And it is further ordered that a certified transcript signed by a majority of this Board, of all the orders and proceedings of this Board in relation to such corporation be at once transmitted to the Records of Auglaize County, Ohio, together with said petition, plat and all other papers on file relating to said matter.

Attest:

L. A. Orshal, Auditor,
and Clerk of Board.

J. D. Butcher
Henry Hellbusch } Commissioners
Samuel Plummer }

Auditors Office, Auglaize Co. O. Mch. 14, 1901

I, L. A. Orshal, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and complete transcript of the proceedings in the matter of the incorporation of the Village of St. Johns as shown by the Commissioners Journal No. 9, Pages 559, 586, 593 & 594.

L. A. Orshal
County Auditor.

Filed Apr. 4, 1901 at 11²⁰ A.M.
Recorded June 15th 1901

T. B. Anderson
Recorder.