

At a special Meeting of the Board on Monday the 5th of May 176⁰

present

His Honour the Governor

Mr Sec^y Tilghman

Mr Receiver Gen^l Hockley

Mr Surveyor Gen^l Lukens

Ordered that the Surveyor General with all convenient speed repair to the place called Fort Bedford in Cumberland County upon the Waters of Juniata, and lay out a Town there to be called Bedford into 200 Lots to be accommodated with streets Lanes & Alleys with a commodious Square in the most convenient place, The Main Streets to be 80 feet wide, the others 60 feet wide the Lanes & Alleys 20 feet wide. The Corner Lots to be reserved for the Proprietary's and every tenth Lot besides. The Lots to be 65 feet on the front and 200 feet deep if the Ground & situation will conveniently allow of that depth. It is likewise ordered that the Streets be laid out as commodiously as may be to any Buildings now on the place worth preserving. And that the Surveyor after laying out the Town receive Applications & make Entrys to be returned & recorded in Secretarys Office from any Person or Persons inclinable to settle & build in the same Town. And that the people there now settled have preference as to their own Tenements on which they are now settled. That the Ground Rent for the present be seven Shillings ^{sterling} Annuum And the takers up of Lots be obliged to take out their patents within six Months from the time of Application & give Bond to build within 3 years a house of 20 feet Square ~~and thirty high~~ with a Brick or stone Chimney And in Case of Failure the Lots to be forfeited -

It is further Ordered that the Surveyor General make Surveys & return a plan of the Lands nearly adjacent to the Town & report the Nature & quality of them -

The above is a true Copy of the original minute whereof it purports to be - David Kenned - obli.
for Ja^s Tilghman.

IN TESTIMONY that the above is a copy of the original remaining on file in the Department of Internal Affairs of Pennsylvania, made conformably to an Act of Assembly approved the 16th day of February, 1833, I have hereunto set my Hand and caused the Seal of said Department to be affixed at Harrisburg, this ~~twenty ninth~~ day of March 1912.

Henry Houck
Secretary of Internal Affairs.