Sudbury 1686

At a meeting of the Selectmen ye 8th of 9br 1686

The Ministers rate for 6 months ending the 31st of August last past being perused & examined & perfected, was then signed by the Selectmen, & by them it is farther ordered that the Clerk of this Town doe deliver the said rate unto Capt. Seg. Brown or to Lieut. Joseph Grout weg are appointed on ye 16 of this monte to carry the same to Mr. James Sherman Minister of the Town & desired him to sign the same in order to a farther prosecution & performing & issuing of ye matter:

The Ministers rate for 6 months ending the 31st of August last past

This was accordingly by Lieut. Grout's order delivered by ye Clerk to Capt. Thomas Brown on the 16th 9br 1686:

At a meeting of ye Inhabitants & proprietors of this Town on Munday ye 1st of 9br 1686

Selectmen chosen

John Greene
Lieut. Jno. Grout
Mr. Peter Noyes
Deac. Jno. Eames
Mr. George Noyes
Benjn. Jno. Rutter
George Hardman

were chosen by votes Selectmen to ord. & manage ye prudentiall affairs of this Town for ye year ensuing:

Town Clerk chosen

John Greene was chosen by votes to be ye Clerk of this Town ye year ensuing:

Constables chosen

Peter Noyes
John Bond

were chosen by votes to be Constables or Constables of this Town ye year ensuing:

Mr. Jno. Eames & Mr. Jno. Hardy were chosen to take & bring in ye account of ye rateable estate in this Town ye year ensuing:

Mr. Samuel Kow — Selectmen of all persons in & about this Town ye year ensuing:

Inquired of John Blanchard & Jno. Hardy if they shall require to have a fence made on ye Eastside of ye great River of this Town & to run upon ye line between said Blanchards fifteen rods as it stands ordered on ye Town book, folio 22, & John Collins hath ordered the Collectors to make it in ye behalf of Robt. Man, all persons considered & upon hearing given thereto & ye same:

Upon ye desire of ye Reverend Mr. James Sherman this ord. & agreed by ye Clerk of this Town & ye Selectmen that ye Pastor's rate during ye 31 of August last past & ye same is to be delivered to ye Pastor to gather & to give all persons an account of what they owe him, & ye Pastor to inform ye Selectmen what persons shall pay him: & ye Clerk is also to inform ye Constables what persons are, their part of ye said rate remaining & ye Constables are to distrain upon ye persons & ye Pastor is to pay ye Clerk for his pains herein & ye Clerk is hereby allowed to take his own & ye Town Clerk is to be ye warrant upon directed to ye Constables & original rate & it may not be blotted & worn out by him, or by their frequent carrying it up & down but it must be clearly kept for their security in case ye Selectmen shall see cause to delivered him to distrain upon any person yt shall not be found in order to pay ye Pastor his full due.