

Isaac Griffith also reported to this Meeting his reasons for not attending our said Yearly Meeting, which this Meeting doth not think sufficient & desires he may be more careful for the future.

No further business offering this Meeting concludes

At a Quarterly Meeting held at West River 2^d 2. 1771.

The Representatives being called all appeared except one who sent his Reasons, which were to the Satisfaction of this Meeting with the following Acc^t. that the Preparative & Monthly Meetings are constantly kept on their Appointed Seasons, & the Affairs thereof conducted in a good Degree of Love & Condescension, & where things are amiss some care is taken for Amendment; the Week day Meetings are kept up for the most part, & that Love subsists amongst friends the Queries have been read in the several Monthly Meetings agreeable to the advice of the Yearly Meeting as also in this Meeting.

No further Business offering this Meeting concludes

At a quarterly Meeting held at Gun Powder 5^m 6th 1771.

The Representatives being called all appeared except Nob^t Foreman

This Meeting being concerned for the advantage, prosperity and growth of the few friends that live near Patuxent Forest Meeting house, as they have been often visited by Friends in order to stir them up to more diligence, in a compliance with their necessary duty of attending Meetings, & as it appears they are so far neglectful as to let their Meetings drop to the discredit of Friends it is the Judgment of this Meeting, that they endeavour to attend Gun Powder particular Meeting, & not hold a Meeting there till further orders

A copy of the above Minute is directed to be handed to Gun Powder Monthly Meeting by Oliver Matthews

By Acc^t. received from West River & Gun Powder Monthly Meetings it appears, that they are kept up at their appointed Seasons & the business thereof conducted in a good degree of Christian Order our preparative & Week day Meetings generally kept up, a good Degree of Love & Unity continues amongst us, & where things appear amiss, some care is taken. The Queries have been read according to the Advice of the Yearly Meeting.

An Acc^t. was brought to this Meeting by Isaac Griffith & Jacob Johnson of Two Pounds current Money which is allowed them & Philip Thomas is desired to pay the same, as the Money disbursed, is agreeable to the Mind of this Meeting.

The Queries have been read, and answered in this Meeting.

Our Friends Henry Willson, John Bell, Sam^l. Price, Sam^l. Waters & Aquilla Price, are appointed to attend the Service of our ensuing Yearly Meeting, & report to next Meeting

No further Business offering this Meeting concludes

At a Quarterly Meeting held at West River 8^m 3rd 1771. This Meeting being met according to Appointment proceeds as usual to the business that may there be.

The Representatives being called all appeared

Report is made to this Meeting, that the several friends that were appointed to attend the last Yearly Meeting complied with that Appointment

Philip Thomas reports to this Meeting that he paid the Sum of £2. current money to the friends as desired.

By Reports from the several Monthly Meetings it appears that Monthly Meetings for Worship & Discipline, are constantly kept on the appointed Seasons, & the business thereof conducted in a good degree of Christian Order, & where things are amiss some care is taken for Amendment, & that the Weekly Meetings, & the Preparative are kept for the most part but there appears some neglect in friends attending the Week day Meetings, & that Love subsists amongst them.

The Queries have been read & answered in this Meeting

This Meeting received from the Yearly Meeting, some Queries for the Meetings for Ministers & Elders, & Philip Thomas is desired to send Copies of them to the several Monthly Meetings.

This Meeting appoints Henry Willson, Joseph Cowman, John Cowman, Thomas Norris, & Thomas Norris Jun^r. to attend the Service of the ensuing Yearly Meeting on the Eastern Shore with an Acc^t. from this Meeting.

No further Business offering this Meeting concludes

Joseph Hopkins Recorder from the Year 1771