

# **Book of Minutes of the Board of Excise Of the Town of Halfmoon - 1854**

**First Meeting** – May the 1<sup>st</sup>, 1854 held at the house of Anthony F. Jouralds; Present: Supervisor & 4 Justices. Moved that licenses be granted to 11 persons as Tavern Keepers to sell strong & spirituous liquors & wines to be drank in their houses respectively, for a sum of \$15.00 for the ensuing year.

Motion was made after a lengthy discussion on the propriety & legality of granting both a Tavern & Grocers License to one man at the same time.

**Second Meeting** – May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1854, held at the house of Wm. Day hranted Grocer's Licenses unanimously

**Third Meeting** – May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1854, held at the house of Benjamin Wright, 2 Tavern License at \$15.00

**Fourth Meeting** – June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1854, held at the house of Abram Slicker, 2 Tavern License at \$15.00. Also found that it was illegal for one man to hold both a Tavern and Grocery License, at one & the same time.

**Fifth Meeting** – May 7th, 1855, held at the house of George Dater, No applications having been made for Licenses to keep Taverns, Board adjourned.

Town of Halfmoon, 1854.

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Total Amount of Licenses \$215

James T Hart	\$ 15
Henry Cole	" 15
Daniel Burns	" 15
J Belso	" 15
C J Warrington	" 15
John White	" 15
Henry Van Clinda	" 15
George Daler - Jun	" 15
W. M Day	" 05

Which resolution was adopted as follows,  
 Ayes, - Messrs, - Weight, Sickler, and Wait,  
 Nays, - none -

A motion was then made, (after a lengthy discussion on the propriety & legality of granting both a tavern & grocers license to one man at the same time) That a grocers license be granted to the following persons for the ensuing year for the sum set opposite their respective names.  
 Viz, - Chauncy J Warrington - \$ ~~70~~  
 John White " 70

1st First Meeting - May the 1<sup>st</sup> 1854,

At a meeting of the Board of Excise  
of the Town of Halfmoon, held at  
the house of Anthony F. Jourdals in  
Said Town, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1854,

Present - - - - - Benj. Weight } Sup-  
Abram Sicker }  
David W. Wait }  
Samuel House } Justices  
John P. McGregor }

Mr Weight moved, that licenses be granted  
to the following persons as tavern keepers  
to sell strong & spiritous liquors & wines  
to be drank in their houses respectively,  
for the ensuing year, and that they pay  
for the same the sum set opposite their  
respective names, viz,

Erastus Mc Pinney \$ 15.00  
Anthony Fitz Jourdals \$ 15.00

Carried over,

2<sup>nd</sup> / Second Meeting May 6<sup>th</sup> 1854

The board of Excise of the Town of Halfmoon, met at the house of Wm W Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst, pursuant to adjournment, —

Present ——— Benj<sup>r</sup> Weight } Supr  
Abram Sickler }  
David W Wait } Justices

On motion, — The board resolved unanimously, that a grocers license be granted to the following persons for the ensuing year, for the sum set opposite their respective names viz, — Messrs, Peters & Co — \$ 05  
R. S. Burtis — " 05

On motion, the board adjourned to meet at the house of Benj<sup>r</sup> Weight on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst, at 2 O Clock P M, — May 6<sup>th</sup> 1854, —

Benj<sup>r</sup> Weight } Supr  
Abram Sickler } Justices  
D. Wait

J. Daniel Burns - - \$ ~~05~~  
J. Kelso - - - - - ~~05~~

Which motion was carried as follows  
Ayes, Messrs, Weight, Sickler, Wait, & Mc Gregor,  
Nays - none,

On motion, the Board  
adjourned to meet at the house of Wm W  
Day on the 6<sup>th</sup> inst, at ten O'clock A.M.,

Halfmoon May 1<sup>st</sup> 1854,

Benj<sup>n</sup> Weight {  
Abner Sickler {

J. H. Wait }  
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4<sup>th</sup> Fourth meeting June 27<sup>th</sup> - 1854,

At a meeting of the board of Excise of the Town of Halfmoon held at the house of Abram Sickler on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June 1854, - A Resolution was unanimously adopted granting a tavern license to Joseph Smith, to sell spiritous liquors the remaining part of the ensuing year, in the house lately occupied by Wm. J. Day, and now owned by the said Joseph Smith, for the sum of ten dollars, —

Joseph Smith - \$10,

A motion was also made, and unanimously adopted, repealing all former resolutions passed by the said board of Excise of the

3<sup>d</sup> Third Meeting, May 10<sup>th</sup> 1854

The board of Excise of the Town of Half Moon met at the house of Benj<sup>n</sup> Weight on the 10<sup>th</sup> inst, pursuant to adjournment,

Present

Benj <sup>n</sup> Weight	} Sup
Abram Sickler	
David W. Wait	} Justices

On Motion, it was resolved unanimously that a tavern license be granted to the following persons for the ensuing year, for the sum set opposite their respective names

Viz,

Leonard Putnam	\$ 15
Erastus Semelt	" 15

And a resolution was also adopted by said Board, that L Putnam have a grocers license for the ensuing year for five Dollars,

Leonard Putnam — \$ 0<sup>00</sup>

On motion the board adjourned,

Benj <sup>n</sup> Weight	} Sup
Abram Sickler	

D. W. Wait

Town of Halfmoon during the present year, which granted a grocers license to the following persons viz, - Chauncy J Warrington, - John White, Daniel Burns, - J Kelso, - & Leonard Putnam And, that the money received by the board, for said grocery licenses, be refunded to the above named persons, on the delivery of the said grocery licenses now in their possession,

The foregoing resolution, to repeal, was not passed by the board, untill the Statute, and the decisions of the Courts had been duly considered, which convinced the majority of said board, that it was illegal for one man to hold both a Tavern and grocery license, at one & the same time,

Halfmoon  
June 27<sup>th</sup> 1854,

Benj<sup>n</sup> Weight } Supervisor  
Abner Sicker } Justices

*L. White*

At a Meeting of the Commissioners of  
Excise of the town of Holbrook, at the House  
of George Sater Jr in said town on the  
7<sup>th</sup> day of May (just Monday) One thousand  
Eight hundred and fifty five.

Present:-

Shubael Taylor Super

John B. Mc Gregor } Justices  
Samuel W. Wait } of the  
John Mott } Peace  
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No Applications having been made for  
Licenses, to keep Taverns or Inns and there being  
no other business coming before said board  
on Motion the Board adjourned without  
day -

Shubael Taylor & Super

D. W. Wait - Justices  
J. B. Mc Gregor Just.  
John Mott Justice

Know all Men by these Presents, That we, Henry Van Olinda  
John P. Van Richten & Daniel Van Olinda

of Halfmoon County of Saratoga  
and State of New York, are held and firmly bound unto the people of the State of New York, in the  
penal sum of **Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars**, to be paid to the said people; for which payment  
well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our, and each of our heirs, executors and administrators,  
jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, dated the 28<sup>th</sup> day of May  
one thousand eight hundred and Sixty

Whereas the said Henry Van Olinda intends keeping  
an Inn, Tavern or Hotel, at Halfmoon in the said County of Saratoga,  
and is an applicant to the Board of Commissioners of Excise of the County of Saratoga, for a license to  
sell strong and spirituous liquors and wines to be drank in the said Inn, Tavern or Hotel, to be kept as  
aforesaid, pursuant to the provisions of an act, entitled "An Act to suppress intemperance, and to regu-  
late the sale of intoxicating liquors."

Now therefore the condition of this obligation is such that if the said Henry Van Olinda  
during the time that he shall keep any Inn, Tavern or Hotel, will not suffer it to  
be disorderly, or suffer any gambling, or keep a gambling table of any description, within the Inn,  
Tavern or Hotel, so kept by him, or in any out-house, yard or garden belonging thereto, then this obli-  
gation to be void; else to remain in force.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED  
IN PRESENCE OF

Solow Knight

H. Van Olinda

John P. Van Richten

Daniel Van Olinda



County of Saratoga ss. On this Second day of  
May A. D. 1860 before me personally came Henry Van Olinda  
John P. Van Richten & Daniel Van Olinda

to me known to be the individuals described in, and who executed the  
foregoing bond, and severally acknowledged that they executed the same for the uses and purposes  
therein mentioned.

Solow Knight Justice of Peace

Saratoga County, ss. John P. Van Bickler &  
Daniel Bonalinda

of the town of Halfmoon in said County, being duly sworn, each for himself, doth depose and say, that he is worth the sum of five hundred dollars above all just debts and liabilities, and the deponents reside in the town of Halfmoon County of Saratoga and State aforesaid.

Sworn before me this second day of May 1860

John P. Van Bickler  
Daniel Bonalinda

John P. Van Bickler  
Daniel Bonalinda

We, the undersigned, Commissioners of Excise of the County of Saratoga do hereby approve of the security to the above bond.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_

Tom. O'Leary  
Baker

Henry Van Cludde  
Bond of Tavern-keeper.

Approved  
J. Stewart  
Barrow Cook  
Sam Lewis