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Nineteenth Century D.O.T.

Prior to the creation of the present-day Department of Transportation, county roads were maintained by the men of each community. Their upkeep was directed through the local Board of Supervisors in each township. The following excerpts from one of Brunswick County's local boards will help to explain how our turn-of-the-century roads were maintained.

. . . Ordered by the board of supervisors, Lockwoodsfolly Township that Washington Sellers be and that he is hereby appointed overseer of the road leading from Lockwoodsfolly Bridge to Maple Gully and that the same hands work as heretofore. . .

August 3, 1888
Franklin Galloway, Chm.

. . . I, Ransom Bellamy do hereby report the road leading from Big Oak to Pinch Gut in good order. First working in Feb. All hands and no delinquents. . .

July 31, 1889
Ransom Bellamy

. . . To any constable or other lawful officer of said county whereas A. T. Hewett overseer of the road for a portion of Lockwoodsfolly Township in said county aforesaid that Jackson Eagle failed to work the road after being summoned contrary in the form of the statute in such case made and provided. We therefore command you to take the body of the said Jackson Eagle and have him before me or some other J.P. to answer the above charge. . .

July 17, 1877
Franklin Galloway

. . . Ordered by the board of supervisors of Lockwoodsfolly Township that John Holden be and is hereby appointed overseer of the road leading from Stone Chimney to Adam's branch . . .

August 3, 1889
Franklin Galloway, Chm.

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday-August 12, 1985, Brunswick Town 7:45p.m.
Monday-November 11, 1985, Concord Church 7:30p.m.