

Whereas the Town of Acton at a town meeting July 20th 1738 did unite ye Dea and John Swift into ye work of ye ministry among them & did also pay ye Dea to give him two hundred and fifty pounds towards a settlement and a hundred and fifty pounds salary yearly and since at a town meeting October ye 30th 1738 did vote that said salary should be kept up in ye value of it & paid at every half years end yearly & do it all ye way John Heald Joseph Fletcher Ammir Hami Faulkner John Brooks Samuel Wheeler & Simon Hunt as ye Com^{rs} to Contract with said Mr Swift about ye said salary in the Contract & Agreement between said Mr Swift & said Com^{rs} is as follooth

- 1 That said salary shall be paid according to ye out tennor of the major Charters Bills or in an equal Colony & of such Bills of Credit or of full Currencies as shall rise from time to time
- 2 That the value of said salary be kept up from time to time according as it may when voted on may afford according to ye rise of the N^o salary provisions of life
- 3 That the payment of said salary continue so long as said Mr Swift shall continue in ye work of ye ministry & in witness ther of said Mr Swift and said Com^{rs} have hereunto set their hands this 30th Day of October A^d 1738

John Swift
 John Heald
 Joseph Fletcher
 Ammir Faulkner
 Simon Hunt
 John Brooks

ordered on This Book
 of Records Attest
 Simon Hunt Town Clerk

Acton December 28th 1738 }
 To an order to ~~pay~~ Simon Hunt out of ye town } 7-7-0
 Rate for money & time Expens in 8 years 1737

Acton December 28th 1738 to an order to Enrich
 Cleave land for four pounds out of ye town Rate for keep-
 ing ye widow Shepards in full to ye 9 of January next
 Acton January 1738 Discounted with Mr John Barker
 for his services being treasurer for ye three first years } 3-11-4
 in full

Acton January 1738 to an order to Mr Joseph Fletcher } 2-10-0
 out of ye town Rate for gathering ye Town Rate

Acton January 1738 to an order to Jonathan Billings } 2-10-0
 out of ye town Rate for gathering ye Town Rate

Acton January 1738 Mr Samuel Prescott Received of } 2-10-0
 ye town Rate for Keeping Mr Swift in part

out of shales 1738