

Pelham

a gore of land between Pelham & Windham was annexed to 1830.

Charter: July 27, 1746

③ Township grant: } Masonian Proprietors confirm grant 4/27/1774

① Incorporation: 1746 vol. 1, pg. 33

Legislative Acts to change municipal boundaries:

② 6/29/1830 Annexed gore (75Ac) between Pelham & Windham

Perambulations:

④ Hudson 1995 ✓ ~~(cont)~~

⑤⑥⑦ Salem 1974 ✓, 1981 ✓, 1988 ✓

⑧⑨ Windham 1981 ✓, 1988 ✓

1805 Plan

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Lotting Plans

[none known]

Other:

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NH STATE ARCHIVES
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River runs to hold the said Ferry & Privelege of a Ferry with all Ferriage advantages emoluments perquisites and profits thereunto belonging to him the said William Simpson his Heirs Exec^{rs} Admin^{rs} and Assigns from the day of the date hereof—to his & their only proper use benefit & behoof forever upon the following Conditions viz^t That he and they shall at all times keep such Boat or Boats and give such attendance at any Place or Places within the Extent above granted as the Governor or Commander in chief for the time being shall order with advice of Council and behave as the now (or any hereafter) Laws do or may require on Penalty of forfeiting this Grant and of its reverting to Us Our Heirs and Successors—

And as a further encouragement to the said William Simpson in & about the Premises We will that none of Our loving Subjects do presume to molest or interrupt the said William Simpson in his said Ferry or set up any other Ferry upon or across the said River Connecticut within two Miles above & two Miles below the aforesaid Landing place at Orford as the River runs

IN TESTIMONY whereof We have caused the Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed Witness Our aforesaid Governor and Commander in cheif the third day of March in the fifteenth Year of Our reign Annoque Domini 1775—

J Wentworth

By his Excellency's command
with advice of Council

Geo: King Dep^y Sec^y

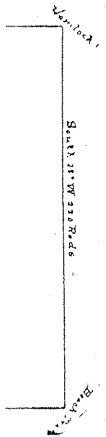
Recorded according to the original Charter under the Province Seal this 3^d day of March 1775

Attest^r Geo: King D: Sec^y

PELHAM.

[Constituted from parts of Old Dunstable and Dracut, Mass., and incorporated July 5, 1746. Named in honor of Thomas Pelham Holles, Duke of Newcastle. The charter was confirmed by the Masonian Proprietors April 27, 1774. The town was divided into two parishes Jan. 4, 1787, but the act was repealed in 1792. The town was taken from Rockingham County and annexed to Hillsborough Dec. 10, 1824. A gore of land between Pelham and Windham was annexed to Pelham June 29, 1830.

See Massachusetts charters preceding, and Masonian Papers in following volumes; papers under title Dunstable; IX, Bouton Town Papers, 652; XIII, Ham-



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mond Town Papers, 142; Index to Laws, 424; sketch, by A. Berry, Hurd's History of Hillsborough County, 1885, p. 631; Instances of Longevity, 1799-1824, by Dr. Church, 2, Collections of N. H. Historical Society, 36; Life of William M. Richardson, 1839; Lawrence's N. H. Churches, 1856, p. 237.]

[PELHAM INCORPORATED 1746.]

*I-33 Province } George the Second by the Grace of God
of New Hamp^r } of Great Brittain France & Ireland King
Defender of the faith &c^a

To all to whom these Presents Shall Come Greeting—

 P:Seal }
Pelham Charter }
Whereas Sundry of our Loyal Subjects Inhabitants of a Tract of Land within the Antient Boundaries of the Town of Old Dunstable & Dracut in our Province of New Hampshire two Miles & Eighty Rods East of Merrimack River hereinafter Discribed have humbly Petitioned & requested of us that they may be Errected & Incorporated into a Township And Infranchized with the Same Powers Authorities & Previlidges which other Towns within our S^a Province by Law have & Enjoy—And it Appearing unto us to be Conducive to the General Good of our S^a Province as well as of the S^a Inhabitants in Particular by Maintaining good order and Encouraging the Culture of the Lands that the Same Should be Done—

Know ye therefore that we of our Especial Grace Certain knowledge and for the Encourageing & Promoteing the good Purposes and Ends Afores^d by & with the Advice of our Trusty & well beloved BENNING WENTWORTH Esq our Governour & Com'ander in Chieff and of our Council for S^a Province have Errected Incorporated & ordained and by these Presents for us our heirs & Successors do will & ordain that the Inhabitants of the Tract of Land afores^d (Bounded as follows Viz) Beginning at the Boundary Pitch Pine Tree made by M^r Mitchell and runing on the North Boundary Line of the Massachusetts until it comes within two Miles & Eighty Rods of Merrimack River Then North Twenty Degrees East to Londonderry then by London Derry East South East five Miles & one hundred & forty rods then South to Methuen Line and to Meet the Curve Line called Mitchells Line then by S^a Curved Line to the Pitch Pine Tree where it began and that Shall Inhabit the Same be & by These Presents

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*Are Declared & ordained to be A Town Corporate And *1-34
 Are hereby Erected & Incorporated into a Body Polli-
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 of Pelham with all the Powers & Authorities Previdedges Im'uni-
 ties and franchizes Which other Towns within our S^d Province or
 any of them by Law have & Enjoy—

TO HAVE & TO HOLD the S^d Powers Authorities Im'unities And
 Franchizes to them the S^d Inhabitants and their Successors for
 ever Allways reserving to us our heirs & Successors all white
 Pine Trees growing and being and That Shall hereafter grow & be
 on the S^d Tract of Land for the use of Our Royal Navy reserving
 also the Power of Divideing the S^d Town to us our heirs &
 Successors when it Shall Appear Necessary or Convenient for
 the Inhabitants thereof, And as the Several Towns within our S^d
 Province are by y^e Laws thereof Enabled & Authorized to Assem-
 ble & by the Majority of Votes to chuse all Such officers as are
 mentioned in the S^d Laws We do by these Presents Nominate &
 Appoint Zacheus Lowell Gentleman—to Call the first Meeting of
 the S^d Inhabitants to be held within the S^d Town at Any Time
 within Thirty days from the Date hereof Giveing Legal Notice of
 the Time Place & Designe of Holding Such Meeting In Testimony
 whereof We have Caused the Seal of our S^d Province to be here-
 unto affixed Wittness Benning Wentworth Esq our Governour &
 Com'ander in Chieff of Our S^d Province the fifth Day of July in
 the year of our Lord Christ one thousand Seven hundred & forty
 Six and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

B Wentworth

By his Excelencys Com'and
 with Advice of Council
 Theodore Atkinson Sec^{ry}

Entred & recorded According to the Original the 16th Day of
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

TOWN CHARTERS

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LIMITS OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

BEING THE CONTINUATION AND CONCLUSION OF THE GRANTS OF TOWNSHIPS
ISSUED BY THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, PRE-
SENTED IN ALPHABETICAL ARRANGEMENT, AND INCLUDING
ALL SUBSEQUENT TO THE LETTER E, WITH ILLUS-
TRATIVE MAPS, PLANS, BIBLIOGRAPHICAL
CITATIONS AND COMPLETE
INDEXES,

AND AN APPENDIX

CONTAINING DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE MOST ANCIENT TOWNS OF THIS
STATE, AND HISTORICAL NOTES AND MONOGRAPHS.

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places for holding Probate Courts in said County be, and the same are hereby repealed after the first day of October next, at which time this act shall take effect and not before.

CHAPTER 27.

State of }
New Hampshire. }

AN ACT TO ANNEX A CERTAIN GORE OF LAND TO THE TOWN OF PELHAM.

[Approved June 29, 1830. Acts, vol. 27, p. 295. Session Laws, 1830, Chap. 27.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, That the following described tract of land, situated between the towns of Pelham aforesaid and Windham, containing about seventy five acres, to wit, beginning at the north-westerly corner of Pelham aforesaid, thence running south eighty nine degrees east by the present line of said Pelham, to Beaver river, so called, thence up said river to the line of Nottingham West, thence by the line of said Nottingham West. to the first mentioned corner, be and the same hereby is, annexed to the town of Pelham aforesaid in the County of Hillsborough and made a part thereof.

CHAPTER 28.

State of }
New Hampshire. }

AN ACT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE TOWN OF NOTTINGHAM WEST.

[Approved July 1, 1830. Acts, vol. 27, p. 299. Session Laws, 1830, Chap. 28.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened, That the town of Nottingham West in the County of Hillsborough, shall hereafter be called and known in law by the name of Hudson, any law, custom or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

LAWS
OF
NEW HAMPSHIRE

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PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ACTS, RESOLVES,
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[Quitclaim to Pelham, 1774.]

[Masonian Proprietors' Records, April 27, 1774.]

Province of } Portsmouth April 27th 1774 Wednesday five of
New Hampsh^r } the Clock afternoon The Proprietors meet according
to adjournment—

Whereas the Inhabitants of the Town of Pelham, in the County of Rockingham in y^e Province of New Hampshire, have applyed to said Proprietors, by Amos Gage, Moses Eaton and Jacob Butler, a Committee appointed by Said Town of Pelham, for a Conveyance of the Right of Said Proprietors, to the Said Town of Pelham and Said Proprietors being desirous and willing to quiet and confirm to the Proprietors of Pelham, in their Several Rights and Properties in Said Town of Pelham—Therefore—

Voted that there be and hereby is released and quit-claimed all the Right Title and Interest of the Said Proprietors and Purchasers of the Right of John Tufton Mason Esq^r aforesaid, of, in, and to the tract of Land, contained within the following bounds, viz^t beginning at the boundary Pitch pine tree made by m^r Mitchell, and running on the north boundary line of the Massachusetts, untill it come's within two miles and eighty Rods of Merrimack river, then north twenty degrees east to Londonderry, then by Londonderry east South east five miles, and one hundred and forty rods; then South to Methuen line, and to meet the curve line, called Mitchell's line; and then by the Said Curve line, to the Pitch pine tree where it began. Which tract of land is called Pelham, before mentioned—which is released and quit-Claimed to the Proprietors of Said Pelham, according to their Several Rights and Properties, within Said boundaries. To have and to hold to them and their Heirs and Assigns for ever, in the Same Manner, as though, the Said tract of land, had not been within the lands purchased of John Tufton Mason Esq^r aforesaid.—

[Votes of the Town, 1774.]

[Masonian Papers, Vol. 7, p. 129.]

at a Town Meeting March 29^d 1774—

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**PERAMBULATION OF LINES BETWEEN
HUDSON AND PELHAM**

Agreeably to a notice given to the Town of Pelham by the Town of Hudson to meet at the Litchfield/Hudson line, on the 4th day of November 1995 at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of perambulating the lines between said towns and viewing the marks and bounds according to the law. We, the subscribers, the Selectmen of said towns, met at the designated time and place and for the purpose aforesaid, and do make the following return of our doings.

Beginning at a granite monument standing on the State line between New Hampshire and Massachusetts, marked P & H NH 1894, which is established as the southwest corner of Pelham and the southeast corner of Hudson;

Thence, North 27° East, 58 rods to a granite shaft marked P H and an inscribed monument designating a sunken bound, both standing on the southerly side of Sherburne Road, so-called,

Thence, North 27° East, 486 rods to a stone post marked P H and an ancient stone slab marked H N P both standing on the northerly side of Gowing Road, so-called,

Thence, North 27° East, 448 rods to a granite block marked P H set on the southerly side of Bush Hill Road, so-called,

Thence, North 27° East, 460 rods to a granite block marked P H set on the easterly side of Gibson Road, so-called,

Thence, North 27° East, 172 rods to a granite postmarked P H standing on the southerly side of Keyes Hill Road, so-called,

Thence, North 27° East, 98 rods to a granite post marked P H standing on the southerly side of Keyes Hill Road, so-called,

Thence, 16° East, 132 rods to a granite stone marked P H, set deep on the southerly side of Sullivan Road, so-called,

Thence, 16° East, 54 rods to a granite post marked P H standing on the westerly side of an apparently abandoned portion of Sullivan Road, so-called,

Thence, North 16° East 4 rods to a granite post marked P H, set on the easterly side of said abandoned road,

Thence, North 16° East, 9½ rods to a granite post marked P H, set deep on the easterly side of Sullivan Road, so-called,

Thence, North 16° East, 22 rods to a granite block marked P 1861 H standing on the westerly bank

Perambulations of the
town line

PELHAM and SALEM
NEW HAMPSHIRE

Agreeably to the requirements of RSA 51, the below listed Selectmen of Pelham and Salem, accompanied by Benj. C. Newell, advisor, and appointed by the Pelham Selectmen as their representative, met at 1:30 P. M. on June 22, 1974 to perambulate the line and renew the bounds.

PELHAM

Alrick Hammar
Harold Lynde
Benj. C. Newell, Repr.

SALEM

George J. Khoury
Walter E. Stickney, Jr.
Michael Carney

We began at a stone shaft marked "P" on the southerly side, "S" on the easterly side and "W" on the northerly side, being the northerly line of Pelham, the southwest corner of Salem and the southeast corner of Windham, thence

South 60° 45' East about 400 rods to a stone set in the junction of two stone walls and marked "P" on the southerly side, "S" on the northerly side and "1824" on the westerly side, thence

South 23° 30' East about 375 rods to a granite monument set on the side of a hill and marked "S & P 1890 N. H." on the northerly side and "M 1890 MASS. HARRIS" on the southerly side, being the bound between Pelham and Salem, New Hampshire and Methuen, Massachusetts.

We, the undersigned, found all the markers standing and in good repair.

SALEM

PELHAM

George J. Khoury
George J. Khoury, Chmn.

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Alrick Hammar

Walter E. Stickney, Jr.
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Harold Lynde
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Michael Carney
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Benj. C. Newell, Repr.
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1981 Perambulation of Line Between Pelham and Salem 1981

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 51:2, the Selectmen of the Towns of Pelham and Salem met at the intersection of Route 38 and West Street in the Town of Salem for the purpose of perambulating their common boundary and renew the marks and bounds thereof and established the same as follows:

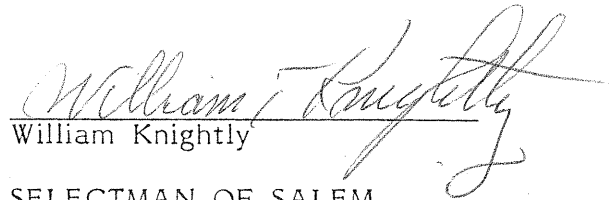
Beginning at a granite monument marked W-S-P at the Windham, Salem, Pelham corner near the Robinson Farm, thence running S 67° - 06' E, 6781.5' to a stone monument at the southeasterly corner of land owned by Frances and Edward Gawrys, said monument being at the intersection of two stone fences; thence running S 30° - 41'E, 6187.5' to a granite monument at the New Hampshire-Massachusetts State Line, said monument being the common bound between Salem, Pelham, and Methuen, Massachusetts.

In witness we have hereunto set our hands this 10th day of October 1981.



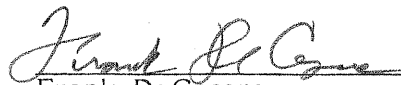
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SELECTMAN OF PELHAM



William Knightly

SELECTMAN OF SALEM



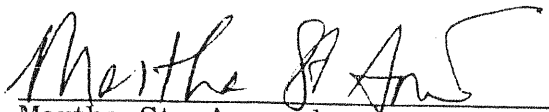
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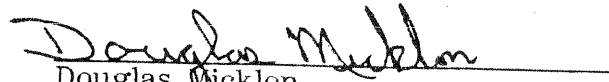
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Beginning at a granite monument marked W-S-P at the Windham, Salem, Pelham corner near the Robinson Farm, thence running S 67° - 06' E, 6781.5' to a stone monument at the southeasterly corner of land owned by Frances and Edward Gawrys, said monument being at the intersection of two stone fences; thence running S 30° 41' E, 6187.5" to a granite monument at the New Hampshire-Massachusetts State Line, said monument being the common bound between Salem, Pelham, and Methuen, Massachusetts.

In witness we have hereunto set our hands this 17th day of September 1988.


Martha St. A. mand
PELHAM TOWN MANAGER


Douglas Nicklon
SELECTMAN OF SALEM

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Pursuant to a notice by the Selectmen of the Town of Windham to the Selectmen of the Town of Pelham, the undersigned Secretary of the State at the Windham Country Store in the Town of Windham on the Twenty-fourth day of October at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and proceeded to perambulate the line between said towns, and renewed the marks and bounds thereof, and established the same as follows:

Beginning at the southeasterly corner of said Windham at a stone monument marked W.P.S. in the north line of Pelham, also the southwesterly corner of Salem which is established as a corner bound, the line then runs North 64 degrees 31 minutes West 193.55 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. standing on the southerly side of the road running from Thomas W. Simpson's mills to Richard Woodbury's; thence North 64 degrees 31 minutes West 60.45 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. standing near the corner of the wall east of Thomas W. Simpson's Mills; thence North 64 degrees 31 minutes West, 116.42 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. standing on the west side of the road running from Thomas W. Simpson's mills to Fessenden's mills; thence North 65 degrees 26 minutes West, 193.57 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. on the West side of the Lowell Road, so-called; thence North 64 degrees 29 minutes, 191.03 rods to Elenwoods Corner to a stone in the wall marked W.P.; thence North 65 degrees 57 minutes West, 100.52 rods to an oak tree marked W.P.; thence North 65 degrees 57 minutes West, 150.57 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. standing on the west side of the road leading from Daniel Wyman's to James M. Hobbs; thence North 66 degrees 56 minutes West, 74.42 rods to a stone monument marked W.P. standing on the east side of Beaver Brook; thence northerly by the center of Beaver Brook to the corner of Hudson and Pelham at a stone post marked W.P.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this Twenty-sixth day of October, 1981.

Morton C. Pearlman

Morton C. Pearlman, Chairman

Margaret A. Case

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SELECTMEN OF WINDHAM

Peter D. Flynn

Peter Flynn

Alice Kirby

Alice Kirby

Harold V. Lynde Jr.

Harold V. Lynde Jr.

SELECTMEN OF PELHAM

Robert W. Thorndike

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TOWN SURVEYOR

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1988 Perambulation of Line Between Windham and Pelham 1988

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 51:2, the undersigned of the Towns of Windham and Pelham met at the Pelham Town Hall at 9:00 AM, Saturday, October 29, 1988, for the purpose of perambulating their common boundary and to renew the marks and bounds thereof and established the same as follows:

BEGINNING at a stone monument marked W-S-P at the Windham, Salem, Pelham corner near the Robinson farm;

THENCE, North 64 degrees 31 minutes West, 193.55 rods to a stone monument marked W-P at the southerly side of road running from Thomas W. Simpson's mills to Richard Woodbury's;

THENCE, the same course 60.45 rods to a stone monument marked W-P standing near the corner of the wall east of Thomas W. Simpson's Mills;

THENCE, the same course, 116.42 rods to a stone monument marked W-P at the West side of the road running from Thomas W. Simpson's mills to Fessenden's mills;

THENCE, North 65 degrees 26 minutes West, 193.57 rods to a stone monument marked W-P on the West side of Lowell Road;

THENCE, North 64 degrees 29 minutes West, 191.03 rods to Elenwoods Corner to a stone in the wall marked W-P;


THENCE, North 65 degrees 57 minutes West, 100.52 rods to an oak tree marked W-P;


THENCE, the same course, 150.57 rods to a stone monument marked W-P at the West side of the road leading from Daniel Wyman's to James M. Hobbs;


THENCE, North 66 degrees 56 minutes West, 74.42 rods to a stone monument marked W-P at the East side of Beaver Brook;

THENCE, northerly by the center of Beaver Brook to the corner of Hudson and Pelham at a stone post marked W-P.

In witness we have hereunto set our hands this 28th day of November, 1988.


Daniel J. Quinlan
Selectmen of Windham


Peter R. Flynn
Selectmen of Pelham


Robert W. Thorndike
Windham Town Surveyor

