

LAND CORNER RECORDATION CERTIFICATE
Filing Requirement of Act 74, Mich. P.A. 1970
 Chippewa County Remonumentation Corner

For corners in SECTION

Chippewa County Located in: Corner Code #

1. Public Land Survey T47N R1W K-3
 T R
 T R
 T R

2. Property Controlling S T R
 in Section S T R

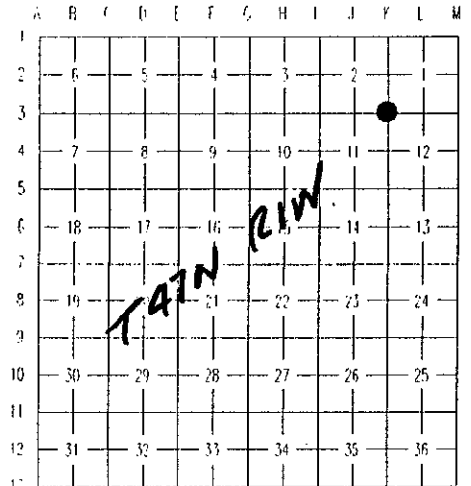
3. Miscellaneous S T R
 Property in Sec. S T R

4. Lot No. , Recorded Plat

5. Private Claims

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\$9.00 LAND CORNER
 \$2.00 MSSR
 23 FEB 2000 3:28:12 PM Receipt #2117
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 CHIPPEWA COUNTY - STATE OF MICHIGAN
 SHARON H. KENNEDY, REGISTER OF DEEDS
 Register of Deeds Stamp & File Number



I, William L. Karr, in a field survey on December 7, 1999, do hereby state that under requirements of P.A. 74, Michigan P.A. of 1970, the corner points mentioned in lines 1 and 2 above were in conformance with regulations and rules therefore as required in the current manual of survey instructions of the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management or by a decree of a Court of Law and /or that the corner points mentioned in lines 3, 4 and 5 above were in conformance with the rules of the Michigan Board of Land Surveyors or by a Decree of a Court of Law; established, re-established, monumented, recovered, found as expressed below:

NOTE: Not more than 2 corners, all in the same town and range, may be recorded on this certificate.

A. Description of original monument and accessories and/or subsequent restoration:

(K-3) Witness Corner to the Section Corner Common to Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, T. 47 N., R. 1 W.

1845 James H. Mullett set post in original survey.
 Witnesses: 8" Maple S 75° W 70 lks
 6" Maple S 68° E 65 lks

See Page 2 for Additional History.

B. Description of corner evidence found and/or method applied in restoring or reestablishing corner:

(K-3) Witness Corner to the Section Corner Common to Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, T. 47 N., R. 1 W.
 This corner is being perpetuated as part of the Chippewa County Remonumentation Program.

See Page 2 for Additional Evidence.

With a preponderance of survey evidence dating back as far as the 1880's, and no support for the Whelpley position beyond the early 1900's, I accepted the position as currently recorded. The location for the corner still falls in a small pond and the witness corner has been damaged due to construction. Replaced the pipe at the witness corner with a 3/4" iron and reset the brass cap.

C. Description of monument for corner and accessories established to perpetuate locating the position of the corner:

(K-3) Witness Corner to the Section Corner Common to Sections 1, 2, 11 and 12, T. 47 N., R. 1 W.

Witness corner is a 3/4" iron with a stamped brass cap. The witness corner falls on the South side of a small pond and on the Northerly side of an old rail spur.

Witnesses: 8" Multiple White Birch N 33° E 10.45'
 8" Apple S 87° E 38.73'
 Power Pole S 23° E 77.73'
 Power Pole C14/1 N 58° W 162.63'

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Bearings are compass bearings, corrected for declination (7° W), all distances are to a nail and tag in the side of the witness object unless otherwise noted.

Signed by William L. Karr

Date 12-29-99

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- 1854 Thomas Whelpley, U.S. Survey of Private Claim No. 1, Sault Ste. Marie. Field notes show Whelpley recovered the original section corner, and meander corner to the North.
- Late 1800's F.H. Brown, various sketches and notes in County Surveyors office. Brown notes that Whelpley's section line on the South side of section one, deflected 4° South at the 1/4 corner, placing the Southwest corner of section 1, 184' South of the East 1/2 mile extended West.
- 1901 F.H. Brown, Plan of Bradley Watkins and Co. Mill and Docks in County Surveyors office, plat book #1. The drawing shows the North and East lines of fractional section 2 and the section corner 190' South of the shoreline.
- 1912 F.H. Brown, additional survey work for Bradley Watkins Company. Drawings in County Surveyors office show the section corner as 3/4" x 6' iron bolt and a 4° deflection in the section line at the 1/4 corner to the East.
- 1940 Alford H. Colwell surveyed Northwestern Subdivision, part of govt. lot 1, section 11. The plat shows the section corner 39' North of a concrete monument at the Northeast corner of lot 1 of the subdivision.
- 1955 Bancroft W. Bufe recorded the section corner in L. 2, P. 120, Chippewa County Corner Records. Bufe's corner record notes that there were 3 possible locations for the corner and he selected a found bolt that more closely agrees with the original notes. He also notes that the corner falls 119.3' North of a concrete monument on the South side of South Street and 33' South of the shoreline.
- 1964 Louis F. Levin, survey for Cannelton Coal Co. in sections 2 and 11. Levin used the corner as recorded by Bufe and shows the concrete monuments in the plat to the South. Levin's drawing also shows the dock area to the North filled in with the shoreline now +/- 1000' North of the corner.
- 1981 William L. Karr, P.S. 27450, Reiss Coal Dock survey by Granger Engineering. Used the corner recorded by Bufe in 1955 and used by Levin in 1964. The drawing also shows the recovery of the Whelpley section corner S 23° E, 173.97' from the position recorded by Bufe.
- 1981 William L. Karr, P.S. 27450, recorded corner in L. 5, P. 66, Chippewa County Corner Records. Accepted the position recorded by Bufe in 1955. Corner form notes that the location of corner now falls in small pond, established a witness corner, 1" pipe with a brass cap, on the section line, 30.00' South of the section corner.
- 1993 Larry R. Rogers, P.S. 29251, certificate of survey for lot 1, Northwestern Subdivision, shows the distance from the Northeast corner of the subdivision to the section corner as 119.30'.

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It would appear that there were some discrepancies in the original survey. When Whelpley surveyed the Private Claims in Sault Ste. Marie in 1854 he recovered Mullet's section corner and meander corner to the North. Whelpley shows the distance from the section corner to the meander corner as measuring 26.4' shorter than that measured by Mullett. Whelpley also notes a 4° southerly deflection in the section line at the 1/4 corner to the East, this would place the Southwest corner of section 1 approximately 184' South of East 1/2 mile on the South side section 1 extended West, and make the North 1/2 mile between sections 11 and 12 short.

In the late 1800's and early 1900's Brown did survey work in sections 1, 2, 11 and 12. It appears that he used the Whelpley position for his surveys for the Bradley Watkins Dock Co. He does note, however, in County Surveyors Record Book #3, page 62, that as early as 1886 there was a fenced and occupied line on an extension of the East 1/2 mile when the railroad undertook to condemn right of way. He also states that he did not know which corner position was right.

In 1954 Bufe evaluated the available evidence and stated on his corner form that there were three possible positions for the section corner. He selected a bolt that he recovered that more closely agreed with the original notes and also stated that no marks were found at the other positions. Bufe notes the distance from his corner to the concrete monument that is the Northeast corner of Northwestern Subdivision as 119.3', the plat, however, shows this distance to be 39'. There is no recoverable evidence supporting a section corner position 39' North of the plat corner and monumentation in the area appears to predate the subdivision. This position would fall in the South Street right of way and is most likely a scrivener's error on the plat.

The bolt for the Whelpley position, recovered in 1981, was located by recreating the Private Claim survey information. The use of the Whelpley position for the section corner appears to end with Brown's survey in 1912, and Brown, even then, states that there is evidence of the line being farther North and he is unsure of the correct position. The corner as presently recorded more closely matches what Brown notes as being fenced and occupied as early as 1886. Old railroad drawings also appear to support this position.

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Signed by William L. Karr

Date 12-25-99

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