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005 Small Manuscripts Collection
006 Ditch Company Records
140 Cow Marsh Ditch Minutes
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200 1826
210 1977
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240 0.71 cubic feet
241 3 volumes in 1-0.47 box and 1-0.24 box
261 Minutes of the annual and special meetings of the Cow Marsh Ditch Company. The company was first incorporated in 1795 to reclaim the marsh for agricultural purposes. Cow Marsh Creek and the associated ditch company were situated in western Kent County in South Murderkill Hundred in the vicinity of Sandtown, Petersburg, and Willow Grove.
27X Minutes show date of meeting, business under consideration, dates of ensuing meetings and signatures of various officers, usually the auditor. Minutes also include officers' oaths and bonds and tax lists that show names of landowners in the company, acreage owned, tax rate, and the total amounts of money taxed and paid. Condition and upkeep of the ditches, determining the amount of revenue needed and rates set for the maintenance of the marsh, and setting of wages for ditch workers are detailed within the books. The first page of Book 1 contains a hand-written table of contents for the book. Loose papers including correspondence, photocopies of Delaware laws, auditor's reports, and a work plan for the Upper Choptank River Watershed have been removed and placed in a separate folder.
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329 WORK STATUS

___needs sorting
___needs unfolding
___needs foldering/reboxing
___other: _____

CONDITION:

___totally disorganized
___order not apparent
___origin questionable
___other:_____

ARCHIVIST:

__review for identification/
further determination
___processing
__determine origin/purpose
___other:

FILM:

___for security
___destroy original
___other:

330 Chronological by date of meeting or transaction.
331 No index.
332 Handwritten; typed; form printed; form printed with writing; form printed with typing.
360 Poor condition; acid damage; rust damage; storage damage; dirt damage; covers missing.
390 None.
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990 2/25/1987;
995 8/28/1987; 7/28/1988; 9/30/2014
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