

Statement of Evidence:

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North Quarter Corner of Section 16, Township 37 North, Range 30 West, 4th Principal Meridian, Mayhew Lake Township, Benton County, Minnesota.

1852 Original US General Land Office survey established corner marked by a wood post with bearing trees noted as:

6" Blk Oak	S 63 W	111 links
5" Aspen	N 36 E	330 links

1899 Road Survey Report by John E. Whilt, County Surveyor, shows survey starting at this corner post and running east on section line with a distance of 40.61 chains to the NE corner.

Undated County Surveyor's Record Book 1, page 417, notes the following reference ties:

FP	E	33.4
FP	SE	42.6

1935 County Engineer's Notebook No. 94 contains survey by H. G. Elletson for SAR No. 2 running west to north. Notes corner as a spike with ties:

S end culvert	SW	17.1
S end culvert	NW	32.1

1977 William Lunser, LS 9394, set a RR spike at the centerline of roads north/east/west. He filed a Certificate of Location (#147066) and notes a distance of 2678.11 feet to the NW corner Sec 16.

2006 The Benton County Surveyor's Office excavated 6-foot by 6-foot by 2-foot deep hole. The railroad spike set in 1977 was found laying flat at the surface of the gravel road. A fieldstone was found down 1 foot below the gravel surface. The stone measures flat compared to the 1899 distance to the east and measures 5 feet short of the 1977 distance west. I believe the stone was placed during either the 1899 or 1935 surveys. Since the found stone fits the 1899 distance east and falls at the intersection of occupation lines east-west and north, it is accepted as marking the obliterated corner position.

Coordinates Obtained by GPS
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)
N-153497.765
E-492407.585

2011 The Benton County Surveyor's Office set a 1/2" by 14" iron pipe capped 19552 at the corner position, partially drilled into the found stone. The 2006 coordinates were verified and reference ties established.