

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, February 15, 1955 at 10:00 A.M.

Present:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor

William J. Leonard

Otis G. Pike

Austin H. Warner

Frank J. Yousik, Justices of the Peace

Also present were: Oliver W. Hubbard, Town Attorney, Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways, Stephen J. Grodski, Police Chief, Alden W. Young, Superintendent of Sewers, Roselle Benjamin, Water Plant Superintendent and John Riesdorff, Asst. Superintendent to the Water District.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on February 1, 1955, were submitted and on motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Pike, it was Resolved that the minutes be accepted as submitted. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Attorney Edwin Lapham appeared before the Board in reference to the dedication of Gully Road and Degwood Drive as Town Highways, these roads to be dedicated by Mr. William Miller of Wading River. The Board advised Mr. Lapham that these roads would be accepted by the Town after a bond has been posted by Mr. Miller to insure completion of the road construction and a deed has been given to the Town for the drainage area.

Lt. John E. Herman of the Provost Marshall's Office at the Suffolk County Air Force Base appeared before the Board and thanked the Board members for the cooperation his Office has received from the Town officials and pledged ~~the~~ continued cooperation of his Office.

The Supervisor's Report for the month of January 1955 was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from Supervisor Kelly certifying that he has received from Charles Allen Horton, Tax Receiver of the Town of Riverhead, the following sums of money on account of Tax Collections of the 1954-55 Tax Warrant: School Districts---\$50,000.00; Maintenance of Highways---\$20,000.00; Lighting Districts---\$10,000.00; Sewer Districts---\$10,000.00; and General Town Purposes---\$64,000.00. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from the Long Island Lighting Company advising that on January 18th, seven (7) 100 c.p. aerial street lights were placed in operation in the Riverhead Lighting

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District on Howell Court and North Howell Court. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to proceed with street lighting in the Riverhead Lighting District along Riverside Avenue as per letter and sketch of January 14, 1955 suggesting the installation of thirty 100 c. p. aerial street lights and the removal of seventeen 100 c. p. aerial street lights. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Pike it was Resolved that the request of the Polish National Alliance for permission to hold a carnival on the Fairgrounds for one week commencing on August 15th thru the 20th instead of the week of August 8th, 1955, be granted, subject however to the rules and regulations governing the use of Town controlled property for bazaars, carnivals and circuses. The Town Clerk be instructed to notify the Polish National Alliance that whenever permission is granted by the Town Board to use the Fairgrounds, the sponsoring organization will be held responsible for the proper conduct of the contracting firm. If any violations are reported, the Town Board will refuse the use of the Fairgrounds to said sponsoring organization. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A communication dated February 11, 1955 was read to the Board from Clair E. Smith, Deputy Chief Engineer, N.Y. State Department of Public Works, Albany 1, N.Y. Relative to Contract DA 54-1 embracing a portion of the Wading River-Manor Road and the Swan Pond Road (Town Reads, acc. to Peconic River Plant) H. C. 2893, Project AD 5(2), having been completed by the Contractor, said contract officially accepted by said Department on January 28, 1955, whereas the work performed under this contract is hereby turned over to the Town of Riverhead who will maintain this Project in accordance with an agreement dated Dec. 23, 1953, and pursuant to Article 7 Section 140 of Chapter 63, Laws of 1936 as amended. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the Town Clerk write to the New York State Department of Public Works, Albany 1, N.Y. advising them that in the opinion of the Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Riverhead, the roads as turned over to the Town of Riverhead for maintenance under letter of February 11, 1955, are not satisfactory and the shoulders of the roads are in need of stabilization, and it is further urged that a representative of said Department meet with the Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Riverhead to review this matter in a detailed way. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The

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resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A communication transmitting two maps, was read to the Board from Mitchell C. Ziemacki, Jamesport, N.Y. relative to the dedication of a proposed road as a public highway of the Town of Riverhead. The communication was ordered placed on file and the matter referred to the Riverhead Planning Board.

A map was submitted by L. Y. Robinson in regard to the proposed dedication of a road off Elton Street in Riverhead, N.Y. as a Town highway. The map was ordered placed on file awaiting report of the Riverhead Town Planning Board.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the Superintendent of Highways be authorized to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of oil for the Town Highways, such sealed bids to be opened at 11 A.M. on March 1, 1955. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Notice of Public Hearing in regard to ^{proposed} modifications of the rules and regulations for the dedication of public highways in the Town of Riverhead was submitted.

Supervisor Kelly thereupon declared the Hearing open, and anyone who wished could be heard at that time.

Mr. Dewey Lewin of Baiting Hollow, N.Y. and Mr. William Miller, Sr. of Wading River, N.Y. stated that they felt the regulation requiring the third covering for the roads to be dedicated involved an expensive process. They also felt that by putting in curbs before homes were built on the developed land would cause an inconvenience ^{and added expense} to the home owners when it came time for the homeowner to lay but his driveway and driveway entrances.

No formal objection, however, was made by either of these men.

No one else wishing to be heard, the hearing was thereupon declared closed.

On motion made by Justice Pike and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved that the following amended Rules and Regulations for the Dedication of a Public Highway in the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, be adopted effective as of May 1, 1955:

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE DEDICATION OF A
PUBLIC HIGHWAY IN THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD, SUFFOLK
COUNTY, NEW YORK.

PROCEDURE

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STANDARD

STANDARD B & P "NOTAR"

A letter requesting the consideration of the acceptance of a highway together with a preliminary plan shall be submitted to the Town Board. The Town Board or the Planning Board, if directed by the Town Board, shall review and report on whether the preliminary plan meets the general requirements hereinafter enumerated. If a favorable report is rendered, the release together with an abstract of title and the final plan shall be submitted to the Town Board. After the Town Attorney has approved the release and the Superintendent of Highways has approved the construction as completed in accordance with the specifications hereinafter enumerated, the Town Board shall consent to the Superintendent of Highways making an order laying out such highway, which order together with the release shall be filed and recorded in the Town Clerk's Office.

Nothing herein contained shall prohibit the submission of the release together with abstract of title and final plan in lieu of requesting the consideration by the Town Board of the preliminary plan.

Proposed highway shown on a realty subdivision of a plan approved by the Planning Board need not be submitted for preliminary consideration if said approval was granted after January 1, 1955.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. The person or persons submitting the release for the dedication of land for highway purposes shall secure the necessary signatures of the owners, mortgagees, lessees, etc. The acknowledgment by all persons executing the same shall be in the same manner as a deed to be recorded in Suffolk County, New York.
2. All highways shall be at least 49.5 feet wide.
3. The lines of the highway shall conform to the continuation of projection of existing streets or shall conform to the layout of the existing highway system.
4. All highways which will terminate at water shall have a width of not less than 100 feet for a distance of not less than 100 feet from the water.
5. Dead-end highways shall be provided with a turn-around with a minimum radius equal to the width of the street.
6. The minimum requirements for all horizontal alignment shall be a 20-degree curve.
7. All highway intersections shall have radius curved with a minimum tangent distance of 25 feet.
8. Grades of all highways shall be the reasonable minimum, but shall not be less than 0.25 percent nor more than 10.0 percent.

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9. Where necessary for proper drainage of the highway, a right of way for a storm sewer to a river, lake or bay or existing storm sewer shall be granted to the Town of Riverhead or a parcel of land shall be deeded to the Town of Riverhead as a leaching area.

10. Where the highway has been constructed so that the elevation of the highway is higher or lower than the elevation of the adjacent property, a cut or fill easement shall be granted so that a 1 on 2 slope may be maintained.

11. The name of the highway may be chosen by the person or persons submitting the release but the name is subject to the approval of the Town Board.

12. The applicant will be required to complete the construction in accordance with the "Construction Specifications" hereinafter enumerated, or alternatively to file with the Board a surety company bond, satisfactory to the Town Board as to form, sufficiency, manner of execution and surety for the completion of such improvements as are not constructed prior to the date of filing deed of dedication.

PRELIMINARY PLAN

Two copies of the preliminary plan shall be submitted and shall show thereon the following:

1. The location of the highway with reference to public highways in that section.
2. The approximate length of the highway and approximate distance to nearby public highways.
3. Scale - not more than 1" = 200'
4. Northpoint.
5. Profile at an appropriate scale, or topographical survey showing contours at an appropriate interval. (May be drawn on separate map.)
6. Names of adjacent owners.
7. Location of any existing storm sewers, sanitary sewers, water mains, and gas mains in the highway.
8. Width of highway.
9. Date.
10. Proposed name of highway.
11. Drainage rights of way or leaching areas.
12. Cross-section of highway.

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FINAL PLAN

Three copies of the final plan prepared by a licensed Land Surveyor shall be submitted and shall show thereon the following:

1. Title - Name of highway and location by hamlet or village.
2. Scale - not more than 1" = 200'.
3. Date.
4. Northpoint.
5. Exact location and width of highway.
6. The length and bearing of all straight lines and tangent distance and length of all curves. All dimensions shall be shown in feet and decimals of a foot.
7. A point on the highway shall be fixed with relation to a public highway intersection or a monument at an angle point in a recorded public highway.
8. Profile, showing final grades. (May be drawn on separate map.)
9. Monuments which shall be placed at all street intersections, at each change in direction, and at the beginning and end of all curves.
10. All drainage rights or way or leaching areas with distances and bearings.
11. Names of adjacent owners.
12. Signature of Licensed Land Surveyor.
13. Cut or fill easements with distances and bearings.

CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

1. The part of the highway from curb to curb, which shall be not less than 30 feet wide, shall be known as the read section.
2. All trees, bushes, shrubs, roots etc., within the read section shall be thoroughly cleared and grubbed and all such material shall be removed from the highway area. Within the remaining area of the highway all bushes and low hanging branches of trees shall be removed.
3. The read section shall be plowed, disc-harrowed, rolled and graded to a uniform surface to the longitudinal grades as shown on the preliminary/final plan.

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4. Where the surface is sand either naturally or by virtue of grading to the elevations established, loam, free from all vegetable or other foreign matter, shall be used for a depth of 6 inches below the finished grade on the road section. Where exceptionally heavy soil exists a layer of sand and gravel or of cinders shall be applied to form a proper subsurface.

5. Where cuts or fills are necessary in order to bring the highway to the proper grade and cross section, the cut or fill shall meet the abutting surface with a 1 on 2 slope.

6. Construct storm sewers or leaching basins or leaching areas as shown on preliminary or final plan and as approved. Leaching areas shall be fenced with a chain link fence at least 4 feet in height.

7. Curbs and gutters as approved, shall be constructed. Design shall be shown on cross-section of highway.

8. After the road section has been graded and shaped, an application of $3/4$ gallon of approved road oil or SC-1 (Bituminous Cutback) per square yard shall be applied. After the oiling, a better coat of sand sufficient to absorb the excess oil shall be applied. Within sixty days after the first application, the road section shall be honed and properly prepared to receive a second application of $1/2$ gallon of approved road oil or MC-2 (Bituminous Cutback) per square yard and a better coat of sand. Within six months after second application the road section shall be honed and properly prepared to receive third application of $1/2$ gallon of approved road oil or RC-2 (Bituminous Cutback) or emulsion per square yard and covered with grits or chipped blue stones. In case of dry weather subgrade must be well wet down before oil is applied.

Wherever the developers so desires to construct road section of soil cement or bituminous soil stabilization, Portland cement concrete, Bituminous concrete or other types of construction, detailed plans and specifications shall be submitted to the Superintendent of Highways for his approval.

9. Street signs shall be placed at all intersections and shall conform to the standard signs of the Town of Riverhead.

The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yeusik, Yes. Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Nils Jensen representing Fred Van Kesteren and Company of Port Jefferson Station, New York, appeared before the Board. This Firm was in the process of obtaining a contract to do the excavation work on the new building to be erected on the south side of East Main Street. A request was made for the use of part of the parking area to stock pile dirt from this excavation. The location of this new building is between the Riverhead Grill and Havils Jewelers.

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On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that permission be granted Fred Van Kesteren and Company of Port Jefferson Station, N.Y. contingent upon the posting of a \$5,000 bond with the Town Clerk to be sure that this Firm would remove all the dirt and debris from the area of the parking field that they used and to repair any damage to the roadbed of the parking field. This permission to expire on June 1, 1955. The Vote---Justices Leonard, Pike, Warner and Yousik, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Town Board convened as a Board of Audit and examined all Town bills to date, the total of which was as follows: General Town Fund---\$4,592.04 and Highway Machinery---\$1857.67. On motion and vote it was Resolved that the bills be approved as rendered.

The Town Board adjourned to convene at 2:00 P.M.

The Town Board reconvened at 2:00 P.M. with all the members of the Board present.

The Board met with Special Atterney, Samuel Hays, and the heads of all official departments and a discussion was held relative to the revision of the Town Ordinances that are now in effect.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday, March 1, 1955 at 10:00 A.M.

Anthony F. Gadzinski
Anthony F. Gadzinski, Town Clerk