

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Wednesday, September 19, 1951 at 2:00 P.M.

Present:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor

Austin H. Warner,
Frank J. Yousik,
Charles W. Gatz,
William J. Leonard, Justices of the Peace

William J. Hattrick, Town Attorney and Myron C. Young, Supt. of Highways were also present.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on September 5, 1951 were read and on motion and vote were duly adopted.

Mr Carl Peterson, Commissioner of the Riverhead Fire District addressed the Board in regard to the contract for fire protection between the Riverhead Fire District and the Riverhead Fire Protection District stating that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Riverhead Fire District feel that there is an inequitable rate for the amount of services rendered to the Protection District. He compared the rate paid by the taxpayers in the Riverhead Fire District to the rate paid in the Fire Protection District. He suggested that a Committee be appointed to look into the matter for the purpose of proposing a better rate.

Mr. Joseph Walsh, Commissioner of the Riverhead Fire District addressed the Board and concurred with what Commissioner Peterson had said, further stating that there were a good many more fires ^{outward of the district} than anticipated and in some instances had to send out four or five trucks. The last fire in the Protection District, six trucks had to be sent.

Chief Forrest Yeager of the Riverhead Fire District reiterated what has already been said, further stating that fifty percent of the fires in the Town of Riverhead are in the Fire Protection District and that more than fifty percent of those are serviced by the Riverhead Fire Department.

Mr. Lester M. Emmett of Wading River addressed the Board stating that the present Police setup in the Town of Riverhead is outmoded and out of date. He said that the ~~present~~ Police Department is set up primarily for the Village of Riverhead and that the outside districts get very little for the amount of taxes paid. He recommended that the Town be divided into three police precincts, one at Riverhead, one at Wading River and another at Jamesport. He proposed that the patrolmen be on duty twenty four hours a day working in eight hour shifts and that the Police cars be equipped with radios in order that each precinct may be kept in communication with one another at all times. He recommended that five additional Patrolmen be added to the present force in order that the proposed plan may be put in force. He urged the Board to give his proposal their most serious consideration.

Mrs Verna Lutz
A representative of the League of Women Voters addressed the Board stating that their Organization was very much in favor of the above proposed plan.

Mr. *William* Biggs of Jamesport, N.Y. addressed the Board stating that he felt that the majority of the people of Jamesport are very much satisfied with the present police setup except in the summertime when they would like a little more police patrolling.

The matter in regard to the proposed new setup for policing the Town of Riverhead was referred to the Police Committee and the Chief of Police.

A communication was read from The Board of Trustees of The Riverhead Methodist Church bringing to the Board's attention the hazardous conditions existing along the Church property on East Avenue and making the following recommendations: That the sidewalk from East Main Street north to the boundary of the Church property be lowered to the curb level, that the three big trees be removed, that a retaining wall be put in from the East Main Street line north past the parsonage, that the curb be moved east by at least 24 inches thus widening the Street, and that on Sundays between the hours of 9:30 A.M. and 12:15 P.M., East Avenue be made a one way Street between East Main Street and First Street and that the traffic move north. The communication was ordered placed on file and the matter referred to the Highway Committee and the Supt. of Highways.

A communication was read from The Travelers Insurance Company recommending that the newly constructed docks adjacent to the Peconic River parking area should be provided with back rails and with side rails on the gangways leading to the docks. The rails should be of the double bar type, 42" high. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that the above mentioned guard rails adjacent to the Peconic River parking area be constructed. The vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard Yes, Supervisor Kelly Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Three Communications were read from the New York State Traffic Commission advising the Board of the following Orders: prohibits the parking or standing of vehicles on the east and west sides of Roanoke Avenue, from a point 25 feet north of the north curb line of Northville Turnpike southerly to the Long Island Rail Road, a distance of 150 feet., prohibits the parking or standing of vehicles on the south side of West Main Street, Route 25, S.H. 8066, from Station 116-85 to station 1124-00(Osborn Ave.) a distance of 715 feet, prohibits the parking or standing of vehicles between 8:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. on school days on Osborn Avenue and Pulaski Street as follows: A. On the east side of Osborn Avenue from Pulaski St. northerly for a distance of 375 feet. B. on the north side of Pulaski Street between Osborn Avenue and Griffing Avenue, a distance of 555 feet. The communications were ordered placed on file.

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A communication/was read from the Long Island Lighting Company advising that on July 2, 1951, one 100 C.P. areal street light was placed in operation on Manor Lane in the Jamesport Lighting District, as indicated on an inclosed map. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication dated September 6, 1951 was read from the Long Island Lighting Company advising that on July 2, 1951, one 600 C.P. areal street light and one 100 C.P. areal light were installed and placed in operation on Depot Lane and Main Road in the Jamesport Lighting District, as indicated on an inclosed sketch. The communication was ordered placed on file.

The Supervisor's report for the month of August 1951 was submitted to the Board and on motion and vote was accepted and ordered placed on file

A petition for the establishment of an extension of the LIGHTING DISTRICT KNOWN AS JAMESPORT LIGHTING DISTRICT NO. 2 in the Town of Riverhead was submitted to the Board. The petitioners being the owners of taxable real property in the aggregate of at least one-half of the of the assessed value of all the taxable real property of the proposed extension as shown on the latest completed assessment-roll of the Town of Riverhead in which all of said property is situated.

On motion made by Justice Gatz and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the petition for the proposed Extension of the Lighting District known as Jamesport Lighting District No. 2 be placed on file and that the Town Board hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 1951 in the Town Hall, Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead, New York at 2:00 P.M. on the matter of the proposed petition. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that Francis S. Bujnicki be and he hereby is appointed Police Patrolman of the Town of Riverhead in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Suffolk County Civil Service Commission, salary fixed at the rate of \$3000.00 per annum, payable semi-monthly, effective as of September 16, 1951. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard Yes, Supervisor Kelly Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Gatz and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the appointment of Selden Heatley as Special Police Patrolman of the Town of Riverhead be terminated as of September 15, 1951. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

On motion made by Justice Yousik and seconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that Everett DeFriest be authorized to repair the McDermott Avenue dock for the sum not to exceed \$460.55. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard Yes, Supervisor Kelly Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved that the Town of Riverhead establish two "Loading Zones" for the use of trucks loading and unloading merchandise, one zone to be the first two parking meters east of the News-Review Alley on the south side of East Main Street and the other zone to be the first parking meter west of the fire hydrant in front of Baryh's Drug Store on the north side of East Main Street. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

On motion made by Justice Gatz and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved, that the County Superintendent of Highways be requested to make a survey of a traffic situation at the intersection of Northville Turnpike and Elton Street in the Town of Riverhead caused by the lack of vision at that particular point to the end that the hazardous condition may be eliminated. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

On motion made by Justice Gatz and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved that the Supt. of Highways be authorized to lay a concrete walk between the Woolworth Building and Greenberg Building to the Town Parking Field on the south side of East Main Street for the sum not to

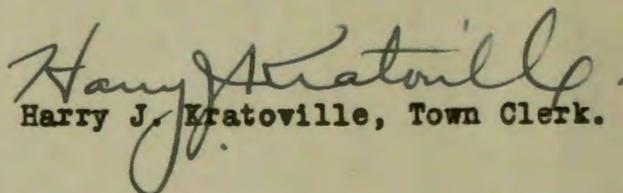
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exceed \$250.00, said sum to be paid from the Parking Meter Fund. The vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard Yes, Supervisor Kelly Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and scconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to place two 100 C.P. street lights between the Woolworth Building and the Greenberg Building on the south side of East Main Street in the Riverhead Lighting District. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

The Town Board then convened as a Board of Audit and examined all Town bills to date the totals of which were as follows: General Town Fund-\$2757.12, Highway Machinery Fund-\$230.24.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on Wednesday, October 3, 1951 at 2:00 P.M.


Harry J. Kratoville, Town Clerk.