

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 4, 1958 at 9:30 A. M.

Present:

William J. Leonard, Supervisor

Otis G. Pike

Bruno F. Zaloga, Jr., Justices of the Peace

John H. Benedict

Elmer A. Stotzky, Councilmen

Also Present: Jacob Harding, Town Attorney, and Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways.

Minutes of the meetings of the Town Board held on February 4, 1958 and February 18, 1958, were submitted to the Board and on motion made by Councilman Benedict and seconded by Justice Zaloga, it was Resolved that the minutes be approved as submitted. The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Francis Creighton representing the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Riverhead Fire District appeared before the Board. He recommended and requested the Town Board to seriously consider the widening of east Second Street from Roanoke Avenue easterly to East Avenue. He mentioned that the Fire District had acquired title to property adjacent to the Fire House on Second Street, and if legally permissible, a portion of this land could be conveyed to the Town, should this widening be done. Matter referred to the Highway Committee.

Commissioner of Welfare, J. Milford Kirkup Jr. and Mrs. Lee of his staff appeared before the Board relative to the welfare relief program of the Town. It was the consensus of the Board that welfare relief cases were not duly investigated therefore resulting in unusually high welfare relief disbursements.

Justice Zaloga mentioned that his findings through his work in the Justice Court justified his belief that welfare payments are extremely excessive and that by diligent and complete investigation of welfare cases, these payments could be reduced, but at the same time could be just.

Commissioner Kirkup mentioned that it is difficult to hire case workers due to the high employment standards set by the State. He and Mrs. Lee pledged their full cooperation in this acute problem and Commissioner Kirkup mentioned that he will have a meeting soon with Supervisor Leonard and the District Attorney relative to this matter.

The Board members stressed the need for thorough investigations particularly in one section of the Town.

Commissioner Kirkup filed a confidential welfare relief report with the Board.

After being duly advertised, sealed bids for Police apparel for the Riverhead Town Police Department were opened as follows:

Robert Vojvoda-----\$2361.75
Perkins & Co., Men's Shop----\$2839.20

Bids ordered filed.

Justice Zaloga offered the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Pike.

RESOLVED that the bid for Police apparel be and it is hereby awarded to Robert Vojvoda, Riverhead, N.Y., at a total price of \$2361.75, as per bid and specification form submitted by Robert Vojvoda, dated February 24, 1958.

The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Councilman Benedict offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Stotzky.

WHEREAS, certain funds of the Town of Riverhead are not currently used, and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to draw interest on such funds in the local banks by placing the funds on time Certificates of deposit, be it

RESOLVED, that Supervisor Leonard be and is hereby authorized to enter into such contracts with the local banks, as he deems practical and advisable, for the deposit of Town funds.

The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Justice Zaloga offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Benedict.

RESOLVED, that the Town of Riverhead, pursuant to Section 218 of the Federal Social Security Act and Article 3 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, provide old-age and survivors insurance coverage for eligible policemen effective on the following date: December 16, 1957; that such coverage be provided for positions of policemen covered by the New York State Employees' Retirement System or by a local retirement system or pension plan. Such local retirement systems or pension plans are: NONE.

The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A discussion was held relative to the completion of highway dedication requirements in Calverton Acres, in Calverton. Matter was referred to the Town Attorney.

The Annual Report of the Jamesport Fire District Treasurer was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Statements of Tax Collections from the Receiver of Taxes, Charles Allen Horton, dated February 17, 1958 and February 28, 1958, were read to the Board. Communications ordered placed on file.

Adam Pawloski and Gordon Ahlers of Jamesport appeared before the Board relative to the water drainage problem on Manor Lane in Jamesport. They requested that a water drainage survey be made of this area. Matter referred to the Highway Committee.

On behalf of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Riverhead Fire District, Fire Commissioner Francis Creighton requested permission to extend the concrete ramp in front of the Eagle Fire House on Hamilton Avenue to the road, in the same manner that the concrete ramp is constructed in front of the Fire House on Second Street.

Permission was granted by the Board.

A petition dated February 27, 1958, signed by merchants on Railroad Street was submitted to the Board. These merchants requested the establishment of a one hour parking limit on the south side of Railroad Street from Griffing Avenue west to Osborne Avenue, to be effective from 9A.M. to 5 P.M. every day except Sunday. This request granted.

Petition ordered filed and matter referred to the Town Attorney.

The Annual Report of the Wading River Fire District Treasurer was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Police Report for the month of February 1958 was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Leo Saxstien, Esq., representing Mr. Benjamin Karlin, owner of Woodcliff Park, appeared before the Board relative to the issuance of a trailer park/tourist camp permit for Mr. Karlin.

It was the consensus of the Board that this permit be issued by the Town Clerk provided that all ordinance requirements are met. The matter was referred to ordinance inspector Roscoe Palmer.

A discussion was held relative to the appointment of a Fire Inspector for the Riverhead Fire Protection Districts.

It was the consensus of the Board that this matter be tabled until a new fire ordinance is drawn and adopted.

A discussion was held relative to a Town Conference.

Councilman Benedict offered the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Pike.

RESOLVED that a Town Conference be held on March 25, 1958 at Nob Hill Restaurant in Aquebogue, and that all elected officials, department heads and planning board members be invited to attend; and that all necessary expenses be paid by the Town.

The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A letter dated February 24, 1958 from the Long Island Lighting Company was read to the Board advising that they have installed a street light on Marcy Avenue as per the request of the Board.

Letter ordered filed.

A letter dated March 3, 1958 from Roselle G. Benjamin was read to the Board expressing his thanks to the Board members for the gifts and testimonial dinner given in his honor.

Letter ordered filed.

A letter dated February 25, 1958 from Benjamin E. Fanning, Middle Road, Riverhead, was read to the Board. Mr. Fanning requested that his property be left out of the proposed extension to the Riverhead Light District.

A similiar letter dated February 27, 1958 from Olive D. Fanning, Middle Road, Riverhead, was also read to the Board.

Letters ordered held until public hearing on this light district extension to be held on March 18, 1958.

A letter dated February 19, 1958 from the New York Telephone Co. (Paul Maxson) was read to the Board praising the Superintendent of Highways and his men for the fine job they did on road clearance and snow removal during and after the recent severe snowstorm.

A similiar letter dated February 21, 1958 from the local Railway Express Agency (G. M. Glew) was also read to the Board.

Letters ordered filed.

Councilman Benedict offered the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Zaloga.

RESOLVED that the Supervisor be authorized to transfer moneys from the current surplus account to provide payments for retroactive social security for those members unable to meet their retroactive payments, and

FURTHER RESOLVED that members repay this retroactive social security payment to the Town.

The Vote---Councilman Stotzky, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Justice Pike, Yes; Justice Zaloga, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, 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 totals of which was as follows:
General Town---\$7810.13 and Machinery Fund---\$1577.66. On motion and vote, it was Resolved that the bills be approved as rendered.

There being no further business on motion and vote, the meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday, March 18, 1958 at 9:30 A.M.

Anthony F. Gadzinski
Anthony F. Gadzinski, Town Clerk

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