

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Wednesday, September 20, 1944 at 2:00 P.M.

Present:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor

Austin H. Warner,
Frank J. Yousik,
William J. Leonard,
Frank J. Smith, Justices of the Peace

Arthur H. Lundberg, Town Attorney was present.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on September 6, 1944 were read and on motion and vote were duly adopted.

The Board of Assessors addressed the Town Board and advised that this year they had increased the assessed valuation of the Town approximately \$3,000,000.00 which is an approximate increase of about 19%. They felt that properties in Riverhead Town were assessed as high if not higher in comparison to any other Town in the County. They pointed out that the State Tax Commission had urged all Towns in Suffolk County to raise their assessed valuations more closely to 100% and while Riverhead had adhered to the State's request and had raised its assessed valuation about 19%, other Towns in the County had raised their assessed valuations only about 1%. They urged the Board to call this matter to the attention of the County Equalization Board in order that Riverhead Town would get a better equalization rate. It was the opinion of the members of the Town Board that the Supervisor send a letter to the County Equalization Board advising it of the increased assessed valuation of the Town.

The Town Board was advised that Mrs Kathryn Newins had purchased the McDonald property on Griffing Avenue which is now used as a Town parking field and that beginning on October 1st, 1944, she is increasing the rent from \$25.00 to \$35.00 per month.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the Supervisor be authorized to pay Mrs Kathryn Newins the amount of \$35.00 per month for rent of the property known as the McDonald property on Griffing Avenue for use as a Town Parking Field. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Leonard and Smith Yes, Supervisor Kelly Yes. Total Vote, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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

The Town Board then convened as a Board of Audit and examined all Town bills to date.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on Wednesday, October 4, 1944 at 2:00 P.M.

Harry J. Kratoville
Harry J. Kratoville, Town Clerk