

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, February 17, 1959 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 meeting of the Town Board held on February 3, 1959, were submitted to the Board and on motion made by Councilman Benedict and seconded by Justice Pike, it was Resolved that the minutes be approved as submitted.

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

Whereas, the year 1959 is being celebrated as a "Year of History" throughout New York State in honor of the discoveries of Samuel de Champlain and Henry Hudson in 1609, and

Whereas, it is the desire of State Historian Albert B. Corey that every County and Town in the State give its wholehearted support to historical celebrations and commemorative programs, and

Whereas, Mrs. John D. Hallock of Roanoke Heights, Riverhead, has been appointed Chairman of the Riverhead Town Historical Celebration Committee, and

Whereas, it is proposed that a parade, an historical pageant and other activities be held in Riverhead, sometime early this Fall as the Town's contribution to the historical celebration, be it

RESOLVED, That the Riverhead Town Board heartily endorse the proposal to hold an historical celebration in Riverhead and that its members and all Town officials cooperate wholeheartedly in all endeavors to make such a celebration an outstanding success, and be it further

RESOLVED, That all residents and organizations of the Town be urged to give the committee enthusiastic support.

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.

An application for sidewalks from Riverhead VFW Post No. 2476 and an application for curbs & sidewalks from Dr. Pflum and Dr. Menendez on Roanoke Avenue, was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file. Matter referred to the Highway Committee.

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

A discussion was held relative to a lease agreement for the space occupied by the Town in the Town Hall.

Matter referred to the Supervisor and the Town Attorney.

A discussion was held relative to the appointment of a fire inspector. Councilman Stotzky offered the name of Vernon Lane of Riverhead.

No action taken. Matter tabled.

Councilman Stotzky reported that the Town Highway Department had done an excellent job in clearing property owned by the Riverhead Water District, for use as a playground area.

A Statement of Tax Collections dated February 4, 1959, from Tax Receiver Charles Allen Horton, was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Councilman Benedict suggested that another Town Conference be held in the near future. It was the consensus of the Board that this Conference be held on March 18, 1959 at Nob Hill Restaurant in Aquebogue.

Matter referred to the Supervisor and Alden W. Young.

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

RESOLVED That Justice Otis G. Pike and Justice Bruno F. Zaloga, Jr., be and they are hereby authorized to attend a Traffic and Law Enforcement Conference to be held at Yale University on March 23-27th, 1959, and that all necessary expenses be a charge 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.

An application for fire inspector from Albert H. Johanson, Remsenberg, N.Y., dated February 7, 1959 was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

An application for fire inspector from Stephen O. Haizlip, Calverton, N.Y., dated February 11, 1959, was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Letters dated February 5, 1959 from Werner Schmidt, Bertha Schmidt and Edwin Schmidt, Wading River, N.Y., opposing the passage of a zoning ordinance, were read to the Board and ordered placed on file.

A letter dated February 5, 1959 from William W. Dean, President, Wading River Historical Society, was read to the Board. This group strongly endorsed zoning for the Town.

Letter ordered filed.

A letter dated February 13, 1959 from Lars De Lagerberg, Chairman, Wading River Home Protective Committee, was read to the Board. This group strongly advocated the adoption of the proposed zoning ordinance by the Town Board.

Letter ordered filed.

A letter dated February 11, 1959 from Lars De Lagerberg, Wading River, N.Y., was read to the Board. He stated that he disagreed with Mr. Saxstien's views on zoning relative to a vote by the people and the fact that property values would be depreciated if zoning were adopted.

He felt that the adoption or disapproval of zoning is vested solely in the Town Board and he strongly urged the adoption of a zoning ordinance by the Town Board.

Letter ordered filed.

Mr. Robert Stivers, Riverhead, N.Y., appeared before the Board and submitted a letter dated February 17, 1959, in opposition to zoning. Letter ordered filed.

A letter dated February 2, 1959 from Assemblyman Prescott B. Huntington, was read to the Board as follows:

"This will acknowledge receipt of a certified copy of a Resolution of the Town Board on January 20, 1959, in support of Senate Bill Introductory No. 67, amending the Social Welfare Law." End.

Letter ordered filed.

At 10 A.M., proof of publication of "Notice of Public Hearing", to acquire the necessary lands for public use in connection with the construction of a Drainage Recharging Basin for North Road, Baiting Hollow, N.Y., was read and submitted to the Board. Affidavit of posting said notice was also submitted to the Board.

Proof of publication of said notice and said affidavit of posting was ordered filed.

Supervisor Leonard thereupon declared the Hearing open to anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or objecting to this acquisition.

No one wishing to be heard and no communications having been received relative to this matter, Supervisor Leonard declared the Hearing closed.

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

RESOLUTION AFTER PUBLIC HEARING
IN CONNECTION WITH THE ACQUISITION
OF LANDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A
DRAINAGE RECHARGING BASIN FOR NORTH
ROAD, BAITING HOLLOW, TOWN OF RIVER-
HEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK.

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, has heretofore by Resolution adopted on January 20, 1959, authorized condemnation of land and certain interests in land within the limits of said Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, pursuant to the provisions of the Suffolk County Improvement Act, Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1927 as amended, and authorized Alden W. Young, Riverhead, N.Y., Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor, New York State, to prepare maps of the proposed improvement and caused said maps to be filed in the Office of the Clerk of Suffolk County at Southampton, New York, on January 20, 1959, and caused its Clerk to publish a notice of the filing of such maps in the News-Review, the official newspaper of this Board, published in the Town of Riverhead. Such publication having been for three consecutive times in said paper, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held at the Town Hall, Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead, New York, on the 17th day of February, 1959, at which time opportunity was afforded all interested persons to make objections or suggest changes with respect to the maps so prepared and filed in the Suffolk County Clerk's Office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the maps entitled "Highway Drainage Project No. 2, Baiting Hollow, Town of Riverhead, New York-plan of area to be acquired for recharge basin" prepared by Alden W. Young, Professional Engineer and Land Surveyor, Riverhead, New York, June 16, 1958 and December 10, 1958, be and the same hereby is adopted and approved by this Board as the map required by the provisions of Section 4, Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1927 as amended and be used as a basis for bringing a condemnation proceeding affecting the lands and interests in lands shown upon the above map, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that compensation be paid to the owners of the several lands and interests in lands to be acquired by condemnation and that the compensation to be paid be ascertained by three Commissioners of Estimate to be appointed by the County Court of Suffolk County,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, be vested with the title or interest in land sought to be acquired in the condemnation proceeding in fee or otherwise, over, in or to all those parcels of real property or of interests in real property indicated on the maps on file pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1927 as amended, upon the day of filing of the oaths of the Commissioners of Estimate, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Henry M. Zaleski, Esq., attorney of 206 Roanoke Avenue, Riverhead, New York, shall represent the interests of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, and that he in person or by such assistant or assistants as he shall designate for the purpose, shall appear for and protect the interest of this Board in all proceedings in Court or before the Commissioners and that the attorney for this Board so appointed shall proceed to conduct a condemnation proceeding pursuant to Chapter 190 of the Laws of 1927 as amended upon the adoption of this Resolution

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---\$12,985.69 and Machinery Fund---\$3,557.23. 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 3, 1959 at 9:30 A. M.

Anthony F. Gudzinski
Anthony F. Gudzinski, Town Clerk