

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, September 18, 1956 at 10:00 A.M.

Present:

William J. Leonard, Supervisor

Otis G. Pike

Jacob Harding

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

John H. Benedict, Councilman

Also Present: Samuel L. Hays, Town Attorney, Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways, Stephen J. Grodski, Police Chief, Alden W. Young, Superintendent of Sewers, John Riesdorff, Assistant Superintendent to the Water District and Roselle Benjamin, Water Plant Superintendent.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on September 4, 1956, were submitted to the Board and on motion made by Justice Pike and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was Resolved that the minutes be approved as submitted. The Vote---Justices Pike, Harding and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Supervisor's Report for the month of August 1956 was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Mr. Frank Graff of Wading River, N.Y. presented a map of a proposed trailer park on Sound Avenue in Wading River to be owned and operated by Frank and Frieda Graff. The matter was referred to the Riverhead Town Planning Board.

A communication was referred to the Board from Mr. Frank Aikman, Chief Engineer, of the Long Island Railroad, requesting that the Town Board rescind their resolution requesting a blinker light at the Edgar Avenue railroad crossing in Aquebogue. Mr. Aikman mentioned that they had received a resolution from the Aquebogue School Board rescinding their request for this blinker light. On motion made by Justice Harding and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was Resolved as follows:

WHEREAS, on December 30, 1955, the Town Board passed a resolution requesting the Long Island Railroad to install blinker lights at the Edgar Avenue crossing in Aquebogue and

WHEREAS, the Aquebogue School Board has sent a resolution to the Long Island Railroad rescinding their request for this blinker light,

Now, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board via copy of this resolution to the Long Island Railroad and the Public Service Commission rescind their request for the installation of the above mentioned blinker light.

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

A discussion was held relative to the Police Lockup. On motion made by Councilman Benedict and seconded by Justice Harding, it was RESOLVED, that the Town Board refer to the Riverhead Town Planning Board for study and report the matter of Police facilities in relation to other Town facilities with authorization to solicit technical aid if necessary. The Vote--Justices Pike, Harding and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Town Attorney Hays reported that he had written and received a reply from the Continental Casualty Company, which Company issued a bond to the Riverhead Development Corporation as regards the completion of roads in this corporation's development. The matter was referred back to the Town Attorney and he was to contact the Superintendent of Highways and receive from him a list of items that had to be completed for the satisfactory completion of these roads. The Town Attorney was then advised to forward this list to the bonding company.

On motion made by Justice Harding and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was Resolved that Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways of the Town of Riverhead, be authorized to attend the New York State Highways Superintendents Conference at Elmira, New York, on October 10, 11 and 12th, 1956, and that all necessary expenses be paid. The Vote---Justices Pike, Harding and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A report was received from the Riverhead Town Planning Board dated September 15, 1956 relative to the acceptance of "Circle Drive" in Jamesport, N.Y. as a public highway. The Town Board concurred with the report of the Planning Board and the Town Clerk was to advise Mr. Abitz that the preliminary plan was acceptable. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read to the Board from Mrs. John C. Merritt of Rt Chester, NY, commending the Town Board on the brilliant lighting in the parking fields in the Town of Riverhead. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from the Long Island Lighting Company enclosing an executed copy of the street lighting contract for the Wading River Light District. The communication and contract were ordered placed on file.

A communication was read to the Board from the Long Island Lighting Company advising that on June 11, 1956 one (1) 100 c.p. aerial street light was placed in operation, in the Aquebogue Lighting District on Pole #5 on Meadow Lane south of Sunrise Avenue. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication dated September 6, 1956 was read to the Board from the New York State Traffic Commission, 95 Washington Avenue, Albany 1, N.Y. as follows: "Under date of August 27 you wrote to us concerning a resolution of the Town Board requesting action of the Commission to prohibit left turns for southbound traffic on Peconic Avenue into the driveway serving the Town of Riverhead Public Parking area, which is located on the easterly side of Peconic Avenue in the Unincorporated Village of Riverhead, Suffolk County. The order to the Department of Public Works covering the installation of a No Left Turn sign has been issued and a copy is enclosed for the records of the Town." The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication dated September 6, 1956 was read to the Board from the New York State Traffic Commission as follows: "We have your two letters dated Aug. 27 relative to the restriction of speed on Roanoke Avenue in Riverhead and on Linda Avenue and Broad Street in Aquebogue. Investigations of conditions have been initiated. We will be glad to correspond with you further when the studies have been completed and decisions reached." The communication was ordered placed on file.

On August 27, 1956 a letter was directed to the New York State Traffic Commission relative to one-way traffic in a northerly direction on St. John's Place. A communication was received from the County Superintendent of Highways approving this request and further stating that he has recommended to the State Traffic Commission that they approve this request. Communication was placed on file.

On August 27, 1956 a letter was directed to the New York State Traffic Commission relative to a No-Parking restriction in the area of the Cauliflower Auction on Route 58. A communication was received from the County Superintendent of Highways approving this request and further stating that he has recommended to the State Traffic Commission that they approve this request. Communication was placed on file.

Justice Harding made the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Pike:

WHEREAS, the State Traffic Commission issued an order dated September 10, 1951 prohibiting parking or standing of vehicles on the east side of Osborn Avenue from Pulaski Street north 375 + or - feet and on the north side of Pulaski Street between Osborn Avenue and Griffing Avenue a distance of 550 + or - feet, and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Town Board and the Superintendent of Highways that the restriction of parking and standing of vehicles on the east side of Osborn Avenue from Pulaski Street north for 375 + or - feet is no longer necessary,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board request the State Traffic Commission to rescind that section of this order relative to the east side of Osborn Avenue and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State Traffic Commission. The Vote---Justices Pike, Harding and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict Yes, and Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Supervisor Leonard reported that Mr. Earl Cummings of Riverhead was interested in a job as a School Traffic Officer. The matter was referred to the Police Committee.

A discussion was held relative to the Town-owned parking field in Wading River and the general parking facilities in the area of this parking field as regards exits and entrances to the parking field, marking of stalls, etc. The matter was referred to the Superintendent of Highways.

A communication was referred to the Board from the Sigal Realty Company relative to a proposed "Peconic Parking Area" situate to the rear of Sears Roebuck and other adjoining stores. The matter was referred to Justice Harding.

Councilman Benedict reported that he recently attended a Civil Service meeting at the Board of Supervisors Office in the Court House. The County Board of Supervisors has hired the services of "Management Service Associates, Inc." to make a study of Civil Service Organization and procedures as it now exists in the hope that the system may be improved. This meeting attended by Councilman Benedict was presided over by members of this Firm.

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---\$3,857.85 and Highway Machinery Fund---\$962.13. 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, October 2, 1956 at 10:00 A.M.

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*Anthony F. Gadzinski*  
Anthony F. Gadzinski, Town Clerk