

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Wednesday, May 20, 1942 at 3:00 P.M.

Present:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor

Henry M. Zaleski,
Frank J. Smith,
Austin H. Warner,
Fred H. Butcher, Justices of the Peace.

Seth A. Hubbard, Town Attorney was present.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on May 6, 1942 were read and on motion and vote were duly adopted.

A communication was read from the United States Engineer's Office in regard to a bridge to be constructed across the Shinnecock Canal at Canoe Place, Long Island, New York. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from the United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Security Administration, in regard to the migratory camp program. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Mr. George W. Hildreth, President of the Board of Education addressed the Board in regard to the above matter. He stated that if a migratory camp was placed within School District No. 5, it would present a grade school problem. He explained in detail what would happen if an abrupt increase or decrease in school attendance took place. He said that the Board of Education felt that it would be unfair to place the camp in this District as the rural school Districts would have no responsibility and that they were greatly concerned about it.

Mr. Irving Lindow addressed the Board in regard to the situation of Merritt's Pond in the vicinity of Roanoke Heights. He stated that it was the sorrow from the loss of his child which prompted him to urge the Board to eliminate if possible the dangerous hazard caused by the abrupt decline to a depth of from twelve to fifteen feet close to the shore of Merritt's Pond. The matter was referred to the Town Attorney.

A communication signed by twenty seven residents of the Town of Riverhead, stating that they believe that the Riverhead High School Band composed of all School Students under the direction of Mr. Howard Hovey deserves the chance to present to the people of Riverhead their talent in the form of weekly concerts during the summer months. The communication was ordered placed on file.

Mr. George W. Hildreth, President of the Board of Education, addressed the Board stating that if the Town Board did authorize the Riverhead High School to render concerts during the summer months, the Board of Education would approve keeping the band in tact ~~during the summer months~~. He said that the Board felt that two and one half months was too much of a lay off and that if this could be done, it would not only afford the public excellent musical programs but from an educational and civic standpoint it would be a very good thing. He urged the Board to consider the matter.

Professor Garfield Corwin, Leader of the Riverhead Band addressed the

Board stating that he has spent many hours trying to keep this band together during the past few years and that during that time it has not only rendered the summer concerts but has played for many civic affairs. He assured the Board that the Town Band would be in tact this summer and that it would afford the public the same high quality programs as in the past.

A communication was read from Mr. Howard Hovey, Leader of the Riverhead High School Band, outlining a program which the band is able to undertake if they are authorized to render concerts during the summer months. The communication was ordered placed on file.

The matter in regard to stimulating business of Merchants on Eastern Long Island was discussed before the Town Board by Mr. Harry Tennenberg, and Mr. Charles Botula of Riverhead, Mr. Wickham of the Mattituck Bank and Mr. Robert R. Brown, owner of the Brown Bus Line. As the plan submitted to the Public Service Commission was not acceptable, the matter was tabled until such time when a plan could be worked out which would be acceptable to the Public Service Commission.

Justice Zaleski offered the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Warner:

WHEREAS, at the Budget Hearing held at the Town Hall on the 6th day of November 1941, the sum of \$500.00 was approved as an expenditure for a series of concerts for the summer of 1942 at Riverhead, N.Y., and

WHEREAS, it was generally understood that the said appropriation was made for the purpose of defraying the expense of the Riverhead Town Band, and

WHEREAS, numerous requests have been received and growing sentiment evidenced for the engagement of the Riverhead High School Band for the purpose of rendering the series of concerts, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Riverhead Town Band be authorized to render eight concerts at Riverhead, N.Y. during the summer of 1942 and be paid the sum of \$62.50 for each concert rendered, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Riverhead Town Board recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 5 of Riverhead that the Riverhead High School Band be given approval to render eight concerts during the summer of 1943 at Riverhead, N.Y. and that the expense thereof be paid equally by the Town of Riverhead and School District No. 5 of Riverhead, New York. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Supervisor Kelly submitted his report for the month of April, 1942 and on motion and vote was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Forrest G. Downs, Receiver of Taxes, submitted his report of the amount of taxes collected as of May 16, 1942 and on motion and vote was accepted and ordered placed on file.

Former State Senator William Love was recognized by Supervisor Kelly who introduced him to the audience and the members of the Town Board. Mr. Love who is a former State Senator from Brooklyn paid a glowing tribute to our late Senator George L. Thompson.

Justice Smith advised the Board that he has looked into the matter of bicycle racks and recommended that three racks be placed at strategic

places within the Town.

On motion made by Justice Boutcher and seconded by Justice Zaleski it was resolved that Justice Smith be authorized to obtain three bicycle racks for the Town and that the necessary expense be paid. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Justice Zaleski of the Lighting Committee recommended that an 80 C.P. street lamp be placed on pole #12, Parkway St. west of Raynor Ave.

On motion made by Justice Zaleski and seconded by Justice Warner it was resolved that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to place 1 - 80 C.P. street lamp on pole # 12 on Parkway St., west of Raynor Ave. in the Riverhead Lighting District. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

Justice Warner offered the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Boutcher:

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Quinn, Harry G. Goodier and Roger T. Quinn, co-partners, doing business as Quinn's Bus Line has applied to the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead for the renewal of a bus franchise over certain streets within Riverhead Town, and

WHEREAS, a notice of public hearing on said application is required by law, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following public notice be published in the Riverhead News the official paper of Riverhead Town in its next edition.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Transportation Corporations Law, Section 66, that the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, will meet at the Town Hall, Roanoke Ave., Riverhead, New York, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern War Time, on the 3rd day of June, 1942, and will hold a public hearing upon the written application of Thomas J. Quinn, Harry G. Goodier and Roger T. Quinn, co-partners, doing business as Quinn's Bus Line, with their principal office for the transaction of business at Patchogue, Suffolk County, New York, filed with the said Town Board on April 20, 1942, for a renewal franchise to maintain and operate a motor omnibus route for public use and convenience and the transportation and conveyance of persons for hire, over, upon and along the following streets, avenues, highways and public places in the Town of Riverhead:

Commencing at the Riverhead - Brookhaven Town Line on Route 25A and running thence along Route 25A to Hulse Avenue and running thence along Hulse Avenue to North Wading River Road; and running thence along North Wading River Road to the entrance of Wading River State Park, said route being approximately two and one-half miles in length.

The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

The Town Board then convened as a Board of Audit and examined the Welfare bills for the month of April 1942.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting

adjourned to meet on Wednesday, June 3, 1942 at 2:00 P.M.

Harry J. Kratville
Harry J. Kratville, Town Clerk.