

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, held in the Town Office on Wednesday January 10, 1934 at 2 P. M.

Present:

Milton L. Burns, Supervisor

Robert Burnside,
Syrena Stackpole,
Geroge E. Luce,
Julian Rubenstein, Justices of the Peace.

Reginald C. Smith, Town Attorney and William H. Clark, Town Superintendent of Highways were present.

The minutes of the Town Board meeting held on January 4th, 1934 were read and on motion and vote duly adopted.

Communication from J. F. Cardamone relative to his application as Dog Warden of the Town of Riverhead was read, and ordered placed on next Board calendar.

Communication from the State of New York Department of Agriculture and Markets relative to the appointment of a dog enumerator was read and ordered placed on next Board calendar.

Communication from the Statistical Press Inc., to the Board of Assessors relative to their requirements for their new assessment rolls was read and ordered placed on file.

Communication from M. M. Burr, Town Public Welfare Officer, thanking the Board for his appointment was read, and ordered placed on file.

W. Germond Cochran addressed the Board relative to Veterans Relief.

Town Clerk Harry J. Kratoville advised the Board that he had appointed John Kruszon, Deputy Town Clerk and Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics, and that he has filed his Oath of Office with the County Clerk of Suffolk County.

On motion made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Luce, it was Resolved, that the Veterans Relief Fund shall be administered by a Committee or Committees appointed by those organizations named in Section 117 with their compliance with the provisions of Article XLV of the Public Welfare Law. The vote, Justices Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes. Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. Supervisor Burns thereupon declared the resolution duly carried.

The financial statement as of December 31, 1933 from the former Commissioners of the Riverhead Water District was read, and ordered held over to the Board of Audit Meeting.

Town Attorney Smith addressed the Board, stating that the funds of the Water District should be turned over to the Supervisor by the former commissioners of the Water District.

On motion made by Justice Luce and seconded by Justice Rubenstein, it was Resolved, that Supervisor Burns be appointed a committee of one to decide the number of phones necessary in the Town Hall. The vote, Justices Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes. Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

Justice Rubenstein reported upon the Committee investigation relative to the Headquarters of the Highway Department. He stated that Superintendent Clark had been authorized to purchase the gas tank for \$70.00, and that the old concrete mixer and various parts of automobiles that cannot be used by the Superintendent of Highways be gathered in a heap and sold.

Roselle Benjamin of the Riverhead Water District presented to the Town Board bill as follows: O'Keefe Coal Co., for carload of coal, \$425.87, Corwin & Vail, for supplies \$24.25.

On motion made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Luce, it was Resolved, by unanimous consent of the Board, that the bills be paid and discount be taken advantage of.

On motion made by Justice Luce and seconded by Justice Rubenstein, it was Resolved, that Roselle Benjamin be given authority to give temporary help in case of an emergency, at such pay as shall be necessary, at the pleasure of the Board. The vote, Justices, Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes. Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

On motion duly made by Justice Stackpole and seconded by Justice Rubenstein, it was Resolved, that the Calendar System be made effective for the Town Board of Riverhead, and that all matters to come before the Town Board must be in the hands of the Town Clerk so that he might render the Calendar to the members of the Town Board and the Town Attorney by the Saturday preceding the Town Board meeting, and that all matters not on the Calendar cannot be heard without the unanimous consent of the Board. The vote, Justices Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes. Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

The matter of parking in front of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Congregational Church was brought to the attention of the Board. Supervisor Burns appointed Justice Rubenstein and Superintendent of Highways Clark as a Committee to look into the matter with power to act.

Supervisor Burns appointed Justice Stackpole and Justice Rubenstein as a Committee to look into the matter of financing the 1933 Certificates of Indebtedness.

On motion made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Stackpole, it was Resolved, by unanimous consent, that the appointment of more clerks be and the same hereby is laid on the table.

On motion made by Justice Stackpole and seconded by Justice Rubenstein, it was Resolved, that the Town Clerk be and is hereby authorized with the assistance of the General Clerks of the Town, shall take all books and papers of the Water District forthwith and supervise the maintenance of said books, accounts, records and papers. The vote, Justices Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes, Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

Town Public Welfare Officer M. M. Burr addressed the Board and stated that the Town of Riverhead would lose 66 2/3% refund on our home relief expenditures, if we did not retain more Public Welfare Investigators. He also stated that his office was too public for an office of this sort.

Supervisor Burns appointed Justice Stackpole and Justice Luce as a Committee to look into the above matter.

The matter of designating an official town newspaper was taken up by the Board. The Town Attorney advised that it is not necessary to designate an official town newspaper at this time, but that as occasion arose for publishing an official notice, one of the local papers could be designated for said notice.

On motion made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Stackpole, it was Resolved, that the salaries of the Officers of the Town be as follows: Salary of the Supervisor be fixed at \$4000 per annum, salary of the Town Clerk be fixed at \$3000 per annum, salaries of the four Justices be fixed at \$1800 each per annum, salaries of the Assessors be fixed at \$1200 each per annum, salary of the Receiver of Taxes be fixed at \$1800 per annum, salary of Superintendent of Highways be fixed at \$3000 per annum, payable monthly. The vote, Justices Burnside, Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, Yes. Total votes, Yes 5, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

On motion made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Stackpole, it was Resolved, that Thomas J. Walker be appointed as Special Policeman to be in charge of Town Police at the rate of \$2000 per annum, payable monthly, at the pleasure of the Board. The vote, Justices Burnside, No, Justices Stackpole, Luce and Rubenstein, Yes, Supervisor Burns, No. Total votes, Yes 3, No 2. The resolution was thereupon declared duly carried.

There being no further business on motion and vote,
the meeting was adjourned till Tuesday morning January 16,
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