

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 1960 AT 9:30 A. M.

PRESENT:

OTIS G. PIKE
BRUNO F. ZALOGA, JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

ELMER A. STOTZKY
ULICK BELL, JR., COUNCILMEN

ABSENT:

WILLIAM J. LEONARD, SUPERVISOR

ALSO PRESENT: JACOB HARDING, TOWN ATTORNEY AND THADDEUS
ZEMBKO, SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

COUNCILMAN BELL OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS
SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

RESOLVED THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF THE SUPERVISOR, JUSTICE OTIS
G. PIKE BE AND HE IS HEREBY DESIGNATED TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN FOR
THIS MEETING.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES,
JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD,
ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

COUNCILMAN STOTZKY OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH
WAS SECONDED BY JUSTICE ZALOGA.

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE TOWN BOARD
HELD ON DECEMBER 29, 1959 AND JANUARY 5, 1960 BE APPROVED AS
SUBMITTED.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES,
JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD,
ABSENT, THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

STATEMENT OF TAX COLLECTIONS DATED JANUARY 18, 1960, FROM
TAX RECEIVER CHARLES ALLEN HORTON WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD
AND ORDERED PLACED ON FILE.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TREASURER, JAMESPORT
FIRE DISTRICT, WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD AND ORDERED PLACED ON
FILE.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE FIRE DISTRICT TREASURER, RIVERHEAD
FIRE DISTRICT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD AND ORDERED PLACED ON
FILE.

A COMMUNICATION DATED DECEMBER 14, 1959 FROM GEORGE A. GOODE, DVM, RIVERHEAD, WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD RELATIVE TO THE PICKUP AND TREATMENT OF INJURED DOGS. HE STATED THAT HE SHOULD BE REIMBURSED FOR SAID TREATMENT BY THE TOWN, PROVIDED HE COULD NOT LOCATE AND BILL THE RIGHTFUL OWNER.

COMMUNICATION ORDERED FILED.

IT WAS THE CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD THAT AN AGREEMENT BE MADE BETWEEN MR. GOODE AND THE TOWN, PROVIDING FOR DOG CARE REIMBURSEMENT IN CASES WHERE OWNER CANNOT BE LOCATED.

MATTER REFERRED TO THE TOWN ATTORNEY.

A COMMUNICATION DATED JANUARY 11, 1960 FROM THE LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD ADVISING THAT THEY HAVE INSTALLED IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON ROUTE 25 IN THE JAMESPORT LIGHT DISTRICT AS PER REQUEST OF THE BOARD.

THE TOWN CLERK REPORTED TO THE BOARD THAT THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY HAD CANCELLED LIABILITY COVERAGE ON RECHARGE BASINS AND DRAINAGE SUMPS OWNED OR LEASED BY THE TOWN.

MATTER WAS REFERRED TO SUPERVISOR LEONARD TO OBTAIN IMMEDIATE COVERAGE.

A COMMUNICATION DATED JANUARY 11, 1960 FROM THE LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD RELATIVE TO A SURVEY FOR IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON COUNTY ROAD No. 58, NEAR ARMORY, RIVERHEAD LIGHT DISTRICT.

COMMUNICATION ORDERED FILED.

COUNCILMAN STOTZKY OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY JUSTICE ZALOGA.

RESOLVED THAT THE LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO INSTALL IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON COUNTY ROAD No. 58, AS PER ITS LETTER AND SKETCH DATED JANUARY 11, 1960.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

THE ANNUAL POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1959, PREPARED BY CHIEF GRODSKI WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD AND ORDERED FILED.

A PETITION SIGNED BY NUMEROUS PEOPLE WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD HEADED AS FOLLOWS:

"WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROMOTING THE SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY, DO HEREBY RESPECTFULLY PETITION THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING AN ATTENDANT TO BE PRESENT AT ALL TIMES WHERE AN OWNER OR OPERATOR OF A BUSINESS OF MAINTAINING AND OPERATING WASHING MACHINES MAKES THEM AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR HIRE."

PETITION ORDERED FILED.

END.

AFTER DISCUSSION MATTER WAS DELAYED FOR FURTHER STUDY UNTIL NEXT MEETING.

COUNCILMAN BELL OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

WHEREAS, IT IS DESIRABLE TO PLACE FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD NOT CURRENTLY USED, ON TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT, AND

WHEREAS, IT IS DESIRABLE TO DRAW INTEREST ON SUCH FUNDS, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT SUPERVISOR LEONARD BE AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO SUCH CONTRACTS WITH THE LOCAL BANKS, AND PLACE THE FOLLOWING FUNDS ON TIME CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT, \$25,000. GENERAL REPAIRS ITEM No. 1 HIGHWAY ACCOUNT, \$39,500. GENERAL TOWN ACCOUNT, AND \$6800. TOWN HIGHWAY GARAGE ACCOUNT.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

REPRESENTATIVES OF LITTLEFIELD-ALGER SIGNAL COMPANY AND LONG ISLAND SIGNAL COMPANY APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD RELATIVE TO THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF ELTON STREET AND ROANOKE AVENUE, RIVERHEAD.

LITTLEFIELD-ALGER SIGNAL COMPANY QUOTED A PRICE, COMPLETE OF \$1,432.00. LONG ISLAND SIGNAL COMPANY QUOTED A PRICE, COMPLETE OF \$1,185.50.

AFTER DISCUSSION MATTER WAS TABLED FOR FURTHER STUDY UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING.

QUOTATIONS ORDERED FILED.

A COMMUNICATION DATED JANUARY 18, 1960 FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD RECOMMENDING AN INCREASE IN SALARY FOR ALBERTIS SAMMIS AND AN INCREASE IN SALARY AND CHANGE IN CLASSIFICATION FOR VINCENT C. TYSKA, BOTH EMPLOYEES OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

COMMUNICATION ORDERED FILED.

COUNCILMAN BELL OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

RESOLVED THAT THE SALARY OF ALBERTIS SAMMIS, EMPLOYEE OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, BE AND IT IS HEREBY INCREASED TO \$2.25 PER HOUR, PAYABLE SEMI-MONTHLY, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1960.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

COUNCILMAN BELL OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

RESOLVED THAT THE CLASSIFICATION OF VINCENT C. TYSKA, EMPLOYEE OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT, BE AND IT IS HEREBY CHANGED FROM LABORER TO MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR (MEO) EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1960.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE SALARY OF VINCENT C. TYSKA, BE AND IT IS HEREBY INCREASED TO \$2.25 PER HOUR, PAYABLE SEMI-MONTHLY, EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 1960.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

A DISCUSSION WAS HELD RELATIVE TO THE PARKING RESTRICTION ON THE WEST SIDE OF GRIFFING AVENUE.

A COMMUNICATION DATED JANUARY 7, 1960 FROM THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD RELATIVE TO A TRAFFIC COUNT TAKEN ON SAID TOWN HIGHWAY.

AFTER DISCUSSION MATTER WAS TABLED FOR FURTHER STUDY UNTIL NEXT MEETING.

AFTER BEING DULY ADVERTISED SEALED BID FOR ONE (1) FRONT END LOADER AND ONE (1) SIDEWALK PLOW FOR USE OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT WAS OPENED AS FOLLOWS:

K.A. PAPISH EQUIPMENT COMPANY
FRONT END LOADER-----\$995.00
SIDEWALK PLOW----- 225.00

BID ORDERED FILED.

COUNCILMAN STOTZKY OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BELL.

RESOLVED THAT THE BID FOR ONE (1) FRONT END LOADER AND ONE (1) SIDEWALK PLOW FOR USE OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BE AND IT IS HEREBY AWARDED TO K.A. PAPISH EQUIPMENT COMPANY, MATTITUCK, N.Y., AT A PRICE OF \$995.00, FOR THE FRONT END LOADER AND AT A PRICE OF \$225.00, FOR THE SIDEWALK PLOW.

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO BID AND SPECIFICATION FORM SUBMITTED BY SAID FIRM DATED JANUARY 8, 1960.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

AFTER BEING DULY ADVERTISED SEALED BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID ASPHALT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1960, AS PER SPECIFICATIONS PREPARED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, WERE OPENED AS FOLLOWS:

WELSH ASPHALT Co. Riv'd	ISLAND ASPHALT Co. CORAM	LANDELL BITUMINOUS CORP. SMITHT'N	JOHN HAFF INC. ISLIP	C.B. VAN ALLEN BELLPORT
<u>A. FURNISHED AND APPLIED PRICE PER GALLON:</u>				
MC 1 .18	.1825	.1818	.185	.1827
MC 2 .18	.1825	.1818	.185	.1827
RC 2 .18	.1825	.1818	.185	.1827
RS 1 .19	.1925	.199	.196	.1927
SS 2 .19	.1970	.199	.196	.20

WELSH ISLAND LANSDELL JOHN HAFF C. VAN ALEN
B. FURNISHED PRICE PER GALLON TO BE DELIVERED TO ROADSIDE POINTS
AND APPLIED BY TOWN EQUIPMENT.

MC 1	.16	.1625	.1818	.165	.1627
MC 2	.16	.1625	.1818	.165	.1627
RC 2	.16	.1625	.1818	.165	.1627
RS 1	.17	.1775	.199	.176	.1727
SS 2	.17	.18	.199	.176	.18

C. FURNISHED PRICE PER GALLON TO BE PICKED UP AT PLANT BY TOWN
EQUIPMENT.

MC 1	.1595	.16	.165	.164	.1627
MC 2	.1595	.16	.165	.164	.1627
RC 2	.1595	.16	.165	.164	.1627
RS 1	.1695	.17	.179	.174	.1727
SS 2	.1695	.1750	.179	.174	.18

BIDS ORDERED FILED.

COUNCILMAN STOTZKY OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BELL.

RESOLVED THAT THE BID FOR THE PURCHASE OF LIQUID ASPHALT REQUIREMENTS FOR THE TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR 1960 BE AND IT IS HEREBY AWARDED TO WELSH ASPHALT COMPANY, RIVERHEAD, N.Y. AS FOLLOWS:

A. FURNISHED AND APPLIED PRICE PER GALLON:

MC 1	.18
MC 2	.18
RC 2	.18
RS 1	.19
SS 2	.19

B. FURNISHED PRICE PER GALLON TO BE DELIVERED TO ROADSIDE POINTS
AND APPLIED BY TOWN EQUIPMENT:

MC 1	.16
MC 2	.16
RC 2	.16
RS 1	.17
SS 2	.17

C. FURNISHED PRICE PER GALLON TO BE PICKED UP AT PLANT BY TOWN
EQUIPMENT:

MC 1	.1595
MC 2	.1595
RC 2	.1595
RS 1	.1695
SS 2	.1695

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS BID IS FURTHER SUBJECT TO THE BID AND SPECIFICATION FORM SUBMITTED BY WELSH ASPHALT COMPANY AND FILED DATED JANUARY 19, 1960, AND

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE ITEMS AND SERVICES SPECIFIED SHALL BE PURCHASED AS DIRECTED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

JUSTICE ZALOGA OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BELL.

RESOLVED THAT CHIEF OF POLICE STEPHEN J. GRODSKI, SGT. ROSCOE PALMER AND SGT. JOHN J. HARRIS, BE AND THEY ARE HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ATTEND AN F.B.I. CONFERENCE AT BEAR MOUNTAIN, NEW YORK ON FEBRUARY 3, 1960,

FURTHER RESOLVED THAT ALL NECESSARY EXPENSES BE A CHARGE AGAINST THE POLICE BUDGET.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

JUSTICE ZALOGA OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

RESOLVED THAT WILLIAM BEREZNY, RIVERHEAD, BE AND HE IS HEREBY APPOINTED A SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD EFFECTIVE JANUARY 19, 1960, TO BE COMPENSATED AT THE RATE OF \$2.00 PER HOUR PAYABLE SEMI-MONTHLY.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

JUSTICE ZALOGA OFFERED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY.

RESOLVED THAT THE TOWN CLERK BE AND HE IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR TWO (2) 1960 MODEL PICK-UP TRUCKS FOR USE BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

BIDS TO BE RETURNABLE UP TO 11 A. M. ON FEBRUARY 2, 1960. ONE (1) 1954 GMC TRUCK TO BE USED AS A TRADE-IN.

SPECIFICATIONS TO BE PREPARED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

THADDEUS ZEMBKO, SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, REPORTED TO THE BOARD THAT HE WAS IN NEED OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPLEMENT THE 1960 HIGHWAY BUDGET APPROPRIATION, MACHINERY FUND, ITEM No. 3, IN ORDER THAT HE MAY PURCHASE A NEW ROAD SCRAPER COSTING ABOUT \$27,000, A NEW ROAD OILER COSTING ABOUT \$13,000, NEW TRUCKS AND OTHER MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT WHICH HE FELT WERE NEEDED AND NECESSARY BY HIS DEPARTMENT.

HE STATED THAT THE \$50,000 BUDGETED FOR 1960 FOR THE PURCHASE OF MACHINERY WAS INSUFFICIENT FOR HIS NEEDS.

HE FURTHER STATED THAT HIGHWAY WORK IN THE MANORVILLE AREA FORMERLY DONE BY A PRIVATE CONTRACTOR WAS NOW BEING DONE BY TOWN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT IN THE INTEREST OF ECONOMY. HOWEVER, ANOTHER TRUCK WITH PLOW ATTACHMENT WAS NOW NEEDED TO COVER THIS AREA.

MR. ZEMBKO INQUIRED IF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF SOME OF THIS EQUIPMENT, COULD BE BORROWED AND PAID FOR OVER A PERIOD OF FIVE

YEARS OR LESS.

MATTER WAS REFERRED TO THE HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

MR. GEORGE SCHMELZER, RIVERHEAD, APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD. HE REQUESTED, IF POSSIBLE, AS A SAFEGUARD AGAINST THE INFESTATION OF THE "GOLDEN NEMATODE", THAT SNOW FENCE PUT UP ON FARM LAND BE STORED ON SAID FARM LAND AND BE REINSTALLED ON THE SAME LAND EACH YEAR.

MATTER WAS REFERRED TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS.

FRANCIS R. CREIGHTON REPRESENTING THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVERHEAD FIRE DISTRICT APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD RELATIVE TO FIRE ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT. HE STATED THAT ON JANUARY 15, A GROUP FROM THE RIVERHEAD FIRE DEPARTMENT MET WITH TOWN ATTORNEY JACOB HARDING AND BUILDING INSPECTOR LEONARD GRIFFING IN ORDER THAT PLANS COULD BE MADE TO ELIMINATE FIRE HAZARDS IN THE TOWN BY STRICT ENFORCEMENT OF THE FIRE ORDINANCE NOW IN EFFECT. HE SAID THE MEETING WAS VERY INFORMATIVE AND VARIOUS PHASES OF SAFETY AND ENFORCEMENT WERE DISCUSSED AND HE HOPED THAT A SMOOTH WORKING ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM WOULD BE ESTABLISHED.

TOWN ATTORNEY HARDING STATED IT WAS MOST IMPORTANT TO ENFORCE THE FIRE ORDINANCE AS MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO VOLUNTEER THEIR SERVICES COULD VERY EASILY BE INJURED FIGHTING A FIRE IN SOME OF THE DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS IN THE TOWN. HE FELT THAT THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER WOULD COOPERATE IN INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FIRE ORDINANCE AND POSSIBLY A DEPUTY FIRE INSPECTOR SHOULD BE HIRED TO ASSIST ON A PART-TIME BASIS. HE ALSO MENTIONED THAT PLANS ARE UNDERWAY TO FORWARD A COPY OF EACH FIRE PERMIT ISSUED BY LEONARD GRIFFING TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

JUSTICE PIKE ASSURED MR. CREIGHTON THAT NECESSARY STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN TO ESTABLISH A FIRM ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM AND HE ASKED MR. CREIGHTON TO SUBMIT A LETTER ADDRESSED TO THE TOWN BOARD STATING HIS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SAME.

MR. CREIGHTON REPLIED THAT HE WOULD DO SO.

A COMMUNICATION DATED DECEMBER 30, 1959 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOUSING, BUREAU OF URBAN RENEWAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICES RELATIVE TO SURVEY OF THE HOUSING SITUATION IN RIVERHEAD, WAS READ TO THE BOARD. THE SURVEY WAS IN TWO PARTS, LOW RENT HOUSING AND MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING.

JUSTICE PIKE ASKED IF ANYONE WISHED TO BE HEARD RELATIVE TO THIS MATTER.

REV. GEORGE PABOOJIAN, JAMESPORT, STATED THAT THE REPORT INDICATES GROWTH AND WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT HOUSING.

JUSTICE PIKE ASKED REV. PABOOJIAN IF HE WAS IN FAVOR OF LOW INCOME PUBLIC HOUSING. REV. PABOOJIAN REPLIED HE DIDN'T KNOW FOR SURE, BUT IT SHOULD BE CONTINUALLY STUDIED.

PETER SILVA, RIVERHEAD, STATED THAT HE WAS GREATLY INTERESTED IN THE SURVEY BUT DID NOT MAKE ANY RECOMMENDATIONS.

MRS. RICHARD J. CAREY ASKED ABOUT THE COST OF THIS PROJECT AND HOW IT WOULD BE FINANCED.

JUSTICE PIKE REPLIED THAT HER QUESTION COULD NOT BE ANSWERED AT THIS TIME.

REV. HERBERT B. PERRY, JR., WHEN ASKED FOR HIS OPINION ON THE SURVEY STATED THAT HE WOULD HAVE NO COMMENT TO MAKE UNTIL HE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY THE SURVEY REPORT.

TOWN ATTORNEY JACOB HARDING SUBMITTED A WRITTEN REPORT RELATIVE TO THIS MATTER AS FOLLOWS:

IN THIS SURVEY OF HOUSING CONDITIONS MANY DWELLINGS ARE DESCRIBED AS SUBSTANDARD. ONE THING BECOMES OBVIOUS. WE DO NOT WISH TO ENCOURAGE NEW BUILDING UNITS TO BE SUBSTANDARD. IN FACT WE WISH TO PREVENT SUCH A TYPE OF HOUSING. THEREFORE, WE SHOULD, AS A RESULT OF THIS SURVEY, SERIOUSLY CONSIDER THE ENACTMENT OF A "BUILDING CODE". CONSTRUCTION OF LOW RENT HOUSING UNITS WOULD NOT BE EFFECTIVE FOR CLEARING SLUMS IF SLUMS COULD BE PRACTICALLY CREATED IN THE FIRST INSTANCE BY CONSTRUCTION OF SUBSTANDARD HOUSES.

THERE WAS NO DETAILED REPORT IN THE SURVEY IN REGARD TO HEALTH, SAFETY AND FIRE HAZARDS. SOME HAZARDS CAN BE CLEARED UP, OF COURSE, UNDER OUR PRESENT SET UP. THAT COULD BE DONE UNDER (1) HEALTH REGULATIONS, (2) FIRE ORDINANCES AND (3) MULTIPLE DWELLING ORDINANCES.

THE REPORT IS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS.

PART 1. LOW RENT HOUSING.

PART 11. MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING.

LET US TAKE MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING FIRST. FOR MIDDLE INCOME HOUSING THE RECOMMENDATIONS ARE APPARENTLY MADE TO PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. THESE ARE GOOD SUGGESTIONS AND THE SURVEY FURNISHES GOOD ADVICE TO BUILDERS AND DEVELOPERS. NOW LET US TAKE LOW RENT HOUSING. HERE IT IS SPECIFICALLY RECOMMENDED THAT LOW RENT PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS BE CONSTRUCTED. WE HAVE AS YET RECEIVED NO INDICATION OF THE COST OF SUCH A PROGRAM. IN MEETING THIS COST WE MUST RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION IN REGARD TO STATE OR FEDERAL AID IN CONJUNCTION WITH SUCH A PROGRAM. WHAT PART DOES THE STATE TAKE AND HOW DOES IT AFFECT THE TAXPAYERS?

FROM BULLETINS AT HAND WE DO KNOW THAT IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR FEDERAL AND STATE LOANS AND GRANTS A COMMUNITY MUST DEVELOP AN ACCEPTABLE WORKABLE PROGRAM.

THE PROGRAM INCLUDES THESE BASIC POINTS:

1. CODES AND ORDINANCES (BUILDING CODES)
2. COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY PLAN (ZONING)
3. NEIGHBORHOOD ANALYSIS
4. ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANIZATION
5. FINANCING
6. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

IN ONE OF THE OTHER TOWNSHIPS IN SUFFOLK COUNTY WHERE A PUBLIC HOUSING PROGRAM IS BEING CONSIDERED, IT IS FELT THAT THE CREATION OF A "HOUSING AUTHORITY" FOR THE TOWN BY ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE IS ESSENTIAL IN ORDER TO GIVE IMPETUS TO A PROJECT OF THIS NATURE.

JUSTICE PIKE IN SUMMATION STATED THAT BEFORE THE BOARD TOOK DEFINITE ACTION ON THIS PROJECT THAT PUBLIC HEARINGS WOULD HAVE TO BE HELD AND PROBABLY THE PROJECTS WOULD BE SUBMITTED TO A REFERENDUM VOTE. WE NEED A "PRICE TAG" TO GUIDE US IN OUR DECISIONS.

SURVEY FROM THE STATE HOUSING BUREAU AND REPORT OF TOWN ATTORNEY HARDING ORDERED FILED.

THE TOWN CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED TO FORWARD FIFTEEN COPIES OF THE HOUSING BUREAU SURVEY TO REV. PERRY WHO REQUESTED SAME.

THE TOWN BOARD CONVENED AS A BOARD OF AUDIT AND EXAMINED ALL BILLS TO DATE, THE TOTAL OF WHICH WAS AS FOLLOWS: GENERAL TOWN---\$8,010.79 AND MACHINERY FUND---\$1,684.29. ON MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN STOTZKY AND SECONDED BY JUSTICE ZALOGA, IT WAS RESOLVED THAT THE BILLS BE APPROVED AS RENDERED. THE VOTE---COUNCILMAN STOTZKY, YES, COUNCILMAN BELL, YES, JUSTICE PIKE, YES, JUSTICE ZALOGA, YES, AND SUPERVISOR LEONARD, ABSENT. THE RESOLUTION WAS THEREUPON DECLARED DULY ADOPTED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS ON MOTION AND VOTE, THE MEETING ADJOURNED TO MEET ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1960 AT 9:30 A. M.

Anthony F. Gabzinski
ANTHONY F. GABZINSKI, TOWN CLERK

AFG:MVB