

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, held in the Town Office, on Wednesday, April 13th 1932 at 2 P.M.

Present:-

Dennis G. Homan, Supervisor.
Syrena H. Stackpole,
Julian Rubenstein,
Robert Burnside,
Everett M. Frederick, Justices of the Peace.
Milton L. Burns, Town Clerk.

Raymond C. Welch, Town Superintendent of Highways was present.

The minutes of the Town Board Meeting of March 30th 1932 were read and on motion and vote duly adopted.

A communication was read from R.L. Turner, Consulting Engineer, relative to representing the Town of Riverhead, in Grade Crossing Elimination work and said communication was referred to the Highway Committee.

A communication was read from Department of Public Works of Babylon, N.Y., acknowledging receipt of certified copy of Town Board resolution which requested that the highway committee of the Town Board be allowed to attend meetings relative to East Main Street elimination plans; advising that office would be pleased to have the highway committee of the Town Board discuss plans for the elimination of the grade crossing at East Main Street as soon as a tentative solution had been worked out by said Department.

A communication was read from the London & Lancashire Indemnity Company relative to Bond No. 2373827 which bonded Charles O. Downs, as Superintendent of Highways, requesting a certificate of Audit showing that the accounts of the Superintendent of Highways were correct and relieving the said insurance company of liability under said bond. This matter was referred to the Board of Audit committee.

A communication was read from the Glen Falls Indemnity Company, relative to Bond No. 44076 bonding Harold R. Reeve for the construction of a Concrete Bridge at Old Forge Dam on Peconic River at Calverton, in the townships of Brookhaven and Riverhead, asking if said dam had been completed and accepted by the Town. The Town Clerk was directed to advise said bonding company that the work had been completed and accepted.

The report of Miss Marion L. Jacobs, Town Nurse, for the month of March was presented and ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from Bishop and O'Keefe, Counselors at Law, calling attention of the Board to highway conditions existing in the Village of Riverhead, adjacent to the property of Mrs. Leonard Woodhull, on the northwesterly corner of Roanoke Avenue and Pulaski Street and requesting that said conditions be corrected. This communication was referred to the Superintendent of Highways.

A communication was read from Littlefield-Alger Company, relative to traffic signal control unit being used at the intersection of Roanoke Avenue and Second Street, which had been loaned to the Town of Riverhead, asking that approval be given for the installation of permanent control box and timer which will cost \$197.50 installed. This communication was referred to the Lighting Committee.

A petition was presented and read from taxpayers in the Riverhead School District No. 5, asking that a sidewalk be constructed on the westerly side of Peconic Avenue, from the Southampton Town Line to the existing sidewalk on Peconic Avenue. This petition was referred to the Superintendent of Highways with a request that he make a report on this matter at the next Town Board meeting.

Communications were read from Winfield S. Box and Mr. & Mrs. William A. Major of Hoccabauk Park, Aquebogue, N.Y. thanking the Town Board for the services rendered by Special Constable Theodore White during the recent robbery scare in that vicinity. Communications were ordered placed on file.

Supervisor Homan advised the Board that at the time of the construction of the State Highway over the Railroad Bridge about 3 miles west of the Village of Riverhead, that the Town took certain land from Harold B. Smith with the understanding that the Town would deed to Harold B. Smith land in exchange for land so acquired and that the matter of deeding land to Harold B. Smith had not been attended to and suggested that a counsel be employed by the Town to work in conjunction with Superintendent of Highways Raymond C. Welch and County Engineer A.O. Smith to have this matter attended to.

County Engineer A.O. Smith advised the Board of the procedure which should be carried out in this matter and advised that an attorney would be needed to draw up the necessary papers.

Sup't. of Highways Welch stated that certain matters

pertaining to Northville Turnpike and Peconic Bay Boulevard which would require the services of an attorney and suggested that an attorney be employed to represent the Town in these highway matters.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried it was Resolved That Supervisor Homan be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to employ counsel to represent the Town of Riverhead in highway matters pertaining to the State Highway, Northville Turnpike and the Peconic Bay Boulevard.

On motion duly made by Justice Rubenstein and seconded by Justice Stackpole it was Resolved That George E. Luce be and he hereby is appointed Assessor of the Town of Riverhead, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Ralph W. Gallagher.

A roll call vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Justice Brunside	Not voting.
Justice Stackpole	Votes Yes.
Justice Frederick	Not voting.
Justice Rubenstein	Votes Yes.
Town Clerk Burns	Not voting.
Supervisor Homan	Votes Yes.

Total Yes 3 Not voting 3.

Supervisor Homan thereupon declared that the resolution had not been carried.

Justice Rubenstein, reporting for the Highway Committee advised having inspected the trucks of the Highway Department and recommended that the Town purchase two trucks such as had been requested by the Superintendent of Highways.

On motion duly made, ~~and seconded and carried~~ it was Resolved that the Superintendent of Highways be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to purchase two trucks for use of the Highway Department at a cost not exceeding \$7000.00 and be it further Resolved That in payment of said two trucks certificates of indebtedness be issued to extend over a two year period.

A roll call vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Justice Burnside	Votes Yes
Justice Stackpole	Votes Yes
Justice Frederick	Votes Yes
Justice Rubenstein	Votes Yes
Town Clerk Burns	Votes Yes
Supervisor Homan	Votes Yes

Total Yes 6 No. 0.

Supervisor Homan thereupon declared the resolution duly carried.

On motion by Justice Burnside, seconded by Justice Stackpole and carried it was Resolved That this Board extend to Supervisor Homan its congratulations and best wishes upon his election as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Suffolk County.

Attorney Almon G. Rasquin, addressed the Board, advising that he had attended the Public Hearing at Jamaica, N.Y., in the matter of the application of the City of New York, to secure a new and additional supply of water from Long Island sources, and had formally filed the objections of the Town Board of Riverhead and also advised that the Board of Supervisors of Suffolk County would be given an opportunity to be heard in this matter.

Justice Stackpole advised that the New Town Law, known as the Kirkland Bill had been signed by the Governor and suggested that a committee be appointed by the Supervisor to study this bill and ascertain if steps should be taken by this Board to make Riverhead a first class town and to look into the matter of a budget system for the Town of Riverhead.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried it was Resolved That the Supervisor appoint a committee composed of members of the Town Board to study the Kirkland Bill, paying particular attention to those sections of this bill pertaining to the advantages of being a first class town and operating on a budget system. Supervisor Homan appointed Justices Stackpole Burnside and Rubenstein on such a committee.

Mr. McNulty, Counsel of the Long Island State Park Commission addressed the Board, urging that steps be taken for planning and zoning the Town of Riverhead, especially around Wildwood State Park, and suggesting that planning and zoning could be done at much lower figure than when it was considered in January by the Town Board.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried it was Resolved That the Planning Board of the Town of Riverhead, be and it hereby is requested to investigate the matter of planning and zoning the Town of Riverhead, with a view of ascertaining if work could be done at a lower figure than that presented to the Town Board in January 1932, by reason of the present economic conditions.

Raymond C. Welch, Sup't. of Highways asked whether he should hire machinery to build dock at South Jamesport or should put this work out at contract. The sum of \$3000

having been raised in the budget for the construction of a dock. It was moved seconded and carried that the Highway Committee confer with the Sup't. of Highways in this matter.

Raymond C. Welch, Sup't. of Highways, stated he had been advised that property owners adjoining the road recently opened at Wading River desired monuments placed along said highway designating the property and highway lines.

Requests having been received that the Town Board meet in the evening instead of the afternoon, on motion duly made, seconded and carried it was Resolved That the first regular meeting of the Town Board each month be held at 2 P.M. and the last regular meeting of said Board be held at 7:30 P.M. each month.

There being no further business, on motion and vote, the meeting adjourned.

Milton L. Burns,

Milton L. Burns, Town Clerk.