

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 17, 1953 at 2:00 p.m.

Present:

- Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor
- Austin H. Warner
- Frank J. Yousik
- Charles W. Gatz
- William J. Leonard, Justices of the Peace

Thomas M. Stark, Town Attorney, and Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways, were also present.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on Tuesday, March 3, 1953, were read and on motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Leonard, it was Resolved that the minutes be adopted as read. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Notice of Public Hearing in regard to Ordinance No.#17, concerning the damaging to the surface of highways and the depositing of dirt, was read.

Proof of publication, ^{and affidavit of posting} of the above notice was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Supervisor Kelly thereupon declared the hearing open, and anyone who wished could be heard at that time.

Mr. Edwin Lapham addressed the Board in behalf of the Wading River Civic Association and stated that they were very much in favor of the adoption of Ordinance No. #17.

Mr. Leon Fanning of Riverhead, New York, spoke favorably to the Board of the above proposed Ordinance.

Mr. James Kaelin, Riverhead, N.Y., addressed the Board stating that he is willing to abide by the Ordinance if all the other farmers would abide by it also, however, he wanted to know whether or not he could leave a truck on one side of the road and carry fertilizer and seed for his planter to the other side of the road. He was answered, he was allowed to do anything that would not break any of the rules and regulations of the roads. *Ordinance*

No one else wishing to be heard, the hearing was declared closed.

On motion made by Justice Yousik and seconded by Justice Warner it was Resolved that the following be and hereby is enacted,

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ordained and adopted as an ordinance of the Town of Riverhead,
New York, and shall take effect and be in force from and after
April 6, 1953.

ORDINANCE NO.#17

"Whoever shall enter upon a public road or highway in the Town of Riverhead with any implement or machine for the purpose of using said road or highway as an area upon which to reverse the direction of operation of such implement or machine and thereby cause damage to the surface of such road or highway or deposit dirt (other than that carried by a tire or wheel of said implement or machine) in sufficient quantity as to create a danger to the public, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

A violation of this Ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of not less than Five (\$5.00) Dollars and not more than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars."

The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. George W. Hildreth, President of the Board of Education of the Towns of Riverhead and Southampton, read a letter to the Board in regard to the Town accepting Griffing's Path as a Town Highway. He said that the traffic conditions in this area are becoming a hazard. It has been, therefore, suggested that at the annual school meeting in May that a proposition be submitted to the voters that the School District sell to the Town of Riverhead sufficient land on the East side of the School grounds to enable the Town to widen Griffing's Path to fifty feet in order that it could be accepted as a Town Highway. The matter was referred to the Highway Committee and the Superintendent of Highways.

Mr. George W. Hildreth, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, also read a letter to the Board calling attention to the unsafe buildings within the Riverhead Fire District located in business, industrial and residential sections that are now, in the judgment of the Board of Fire Commissioners, dangerous and unsafe to the public and exceedingly dangerous fire hazards. The first ~~are~~ the old Yetter and Moore buildings at the southeast corner of Griffing and Railroad Avenues in Riverhead. The second is the old Ribero building on the north side of West Main Street. Both are abandoned structures; both are open to the public with open doors and broken windows. He said that Sub-division 16 of Section 130 of the Town Law appears to provide a remedy for the destruction or removal of such buildings as may be dangerous or unsafe. The Board of Fire Commissioners feel that they would be remiss in their duty to the public if definite and specific complaint were not made about these two fire hazards located in business and residential sections in the Riverhead Fire District. The Board

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of Fire Commissioners feel it is imperative that prompt action be taken to eliminate these dangerous fire hazards. The matter was referred to the Town Attorney, Thomas M. Stark.

Two resolutions dated March 16, 1953, were read from the Town of Riverhead Planning Board; one in reference to the acceptance of Tut's Lane, Fourth Street and Doug Lane at Jamesport, New York, the other in reference to the application by Mr. Siegfried Peters for the acceptance of Peters Drive at Wading River, New York. The Town Clerk was instructed to send respective copies of the aforesaid resolutions to the parties concerned.

Two communications dated March 13, 1953, were read from the Long Island Lighting Company stating that due to an oversight our operating division neglected to advise us that on December 19, 1952, two (2) 100 c.p. aerial lights were placed in operation on Ackerly Street in the Riverhead Lighting District, as indicated on the enclosed sketch, and also advised that on December 29, 1952, two (2) 100 c.p. aerial street lights were placed in operation on Hallock Street and Merritts Pond Road in the Riverhead Lighting District, as indicated on the enclosed sketch. The letters and sketches were ordered placed on file.

A communication, signed by eight residents and taxpayers in the vicinity of Second Street, was read requesting that a street light be placed on Pole #18 on East Second Street in the Riverhead Lighting District. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Leonard and seconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to place one (1) 100 c.p. aerial street light on Pole #18 in the Riverhead Lighting District. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Supervisor's report for the month of February ¹⁹⁵³ was submitted and ordered placed on file. ₁

A communication was read from Mr. George A. Jackson, Solicitor for the Riverhead Firemen's Association, advising the Board that on July 18, 1953 the 60th Annual Parade and Tournament of the Suffolk County Firemen's Association will be held in Riverhead. For the first time in the history of the Association, this event will be a two-night affair. It is being arranged in this manner in order to benefit the thousands of people who are interested in attending the Firemen's Tournament but are unable to do so during the day because of the press of business. Because of the tremendous expense in running an affair of this type, we are sponsoring a printed program 9 X 12 and selling advertisements in it. We would greatly appreciate your support in this affair. *The communication was ordered placed on file.*

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved that the Town of Riverhead advertise in the

Program sponsored by the Riverhead Firemen's Association in connection with the 60th Annual Parade and Tournament of Suffolk County Volunteer Firemen's Association to be held in Riverhead on July 18, 1953, for the sum not to exceed \$60.00. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Gatz and seconded by Justice Leonard it was Resolved that W. Corwin Tuthill be and he hereby is appointed a member of the Riverhead Town Planning Board to serve for during the unexpired term of Dr. Peter Zuhoski, whose term expires January 1, 1956. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Justice Warner who moved its adoption, seconded by Justice Gatz to wit:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 17, 1953

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK, FOR USE AS A PARKING FIELD FOR SAID TOWN, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$125,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$118,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID TOWN AND THE ISSUANCE OF \$7,000 CAPITAL NOTE OF SAID TOWN TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, New York, is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation certain land in said Town for use as a public parking field for said Town, at an estimated cost of \$125,000, said land being generally described as follows:

North of Peconic River; East of Peconic Avenue, South of East Main Street and West of land of Isadore Seigel; and now generally used as a parking area.

All as more particularly shown on map together with description of said area filed in the office of the Town Clerk of said Town on March 17, 1953.

Section 2. The plan of financing such object or purpose is as follows:

- 1) From the issuance of a \$7,000 capital note of said Town, hereby authorized therefor; and
- 2) From the issuance and sale of \$118,000 serial bonds of said Town, hereby authorized therefor.

Section 3. For the purpose of paying part of the cost of the aforesaid object or purpose, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$118,000 serial bonds of said Town, Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the details of which shall be prescribed by a further resolution or resolutions of this Town Board. Such bonds shall mature over a period in excess of five years.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that subdivision 21 (a) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law applied to the aforesaid object or purpose, and that the period of probable usefulness thereof is 30 years.

Section 5. The faith and credit of the Town of Riverhead, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 6. The aforesaid capital note in the amount of \$7,000 shall be issued and sold prior to the issuance of any bonds or bond anticipation notes.

Section 7. The validity of such obligations may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town of Riverhead, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceedings contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution shall become effective upon its being approved by a majority of the qualified electors of said Town voting at an election on a proposition therefor.

Section 9. After such approval, this resolution shall be published in full in the News Review, the official newspaper of said Town, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor	Voting	Yes
Justice Austin H. Warner	Voting	Yes
Justice Frank J. Yousik	Voting	Yes
Justice Charles W. Gatz	Voting	Yes
Justice William J. Leonard	Voting	Yes

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The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Justice Leonard and moved its adoption, seconded by Justice Yousik, to wit:

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, New York, has this day adopted a bond resolution which is subject to approval by the qualified voters of said Town; and

WHEREAS, it is now desired to call a special election in connection therewith; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. That a special election of the qualified voters of the Town of Riverhead, New York, is hereby ordered to be held in said Town on the 14th day of April, 1953, for the purpose of approving or rejecting the resolution hereinabove described. The polls at such election will be kept open between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 8 o'clock P.M., Eastern Standard Time. The polling places are to be as follows:

- Justice Court Room
- Town Hall
- Riverhead, New York

Section 2. The Town Clerk of said Town of Riverhead, New York, is hereby ordered and directed to give notice of such election by publication thereof in the News Review, the official newspaper of said Town, the first publication to be at least 10 and not more than 20 days before the time of such special election, and by posting in at least six public places in said Town not less than 10 nor more than 20 days before the date of such election, which notice shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, did on the 17th day of March, 1953, adopt a bond resolution, hereinafter described, and did direct that a special election of the qualified electors of said Town will be held in said Town on 14th day of April, 1953, at which the polls will be kept open to receive ballots between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 8 o'clock P.M., Eastern Standard Time, on the question, of approving or rejecting such resolution, which is as follows:

BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 17, 1953

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK, FOR USE AS A PARKING FIELD FOR SAID TOWN, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF

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\$125,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$118,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID TOWN AND THE ISSUANCE OF A \$7,000 CAPITAL NOTE OF SAID TOWN TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, Suffolk County, New York, as follows:

Section 1. The Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, New York, is hereby authorized to acquire by purchase or condemnation certain land in said Town for use as a public parking field for said Town, at an estimated maximum cost of \$125,000, said land being generally described as follows:

North of Peconic River; East of Peconic Avenue; South of East Main Street and West of Land of Isadore Seigel; and now generally used as a parking area.

All as more particularly shown on map together with description of said area filed in the office of the Town Clerk of said Town on March 17, 1953.

Section 2. The plan of financing such object or purpose is as follows:

- 1) From the issuance of a \$7,000 capital note of said Town, hereby authorized therefor; and
- 2) From the issuance and sale of \$118,000 serial bonds of said Town, hereby authorized therefor.

Section 3. For the purpose of paying part of the cost of the aforesaid object or purpose, there are hereby authorized to be issued \$118,000 serial bonds of said Town, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, the details of which shall be prescribed by a further resolution or resolutions of this Town Board. Such bonds shall mature over a period in excess of five years.

Section 4. It is hereby determined that subdivision 21(a) of paragraph a of Section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law applied to the aforesaid object or purpose, and that the period of probable usefulness thereof is 30 years.

Section 5. The faith and credit of the Town of Riverhead, New York, are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds as the same respectively become due and payable. An annual appropriation shall be made in each year sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds becoming due and payable in such year.

Section 6. The aforesaid capital note in the amount of \$7,000 shall be issued and sold prior to the issuance of any bonds or bond anticipation notes.

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Section 7. The validity of such obligations may be contested only if:

- 1) Such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which said Town of Riverhead, New York, is not authorized to expend money, or
- 2) The provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of publication of this resolution are not substantially complied with,

and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced with twenty days after the date of such publication, or

- 3) Such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. This resolution shall become effective upon its being approved by a majority of the qualified electors of said Town, voting at an election on a proposition therefor.

Section 9. After such approval, this resolution shall be published in full in the News Review, the official newspaper of said Town, together with a notice of the Town Clerk in substantially the form provided in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law.

The ballots to be used at said election shall be in substantially the following form, to-wit:

PROPOSITION

Shall the resolution entitled "BOND RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 7, 1953. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK, FOR USE AS A PARKING FIELD FOR SAID TOWN, AT A MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST OF \$125,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$118,000 SERIAL BONDS OF SAID TOWN AND THE ISSUANCE OF A \$7,000 CAPITAL NOTE OF SAID TOWN TO PAY THE COST THEREOF." adopted by the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead, New York, on the 17th day of March, 1953, be approved?

All qualified voters of the Town of Riverhead, New York, who are also owners of property in such Town assessed upon the latest completed assessment roll thereof, shall be qualified to vote at said special election.

The polling places at such election will be as follows:

Justice Court Room
Town Hall
Riverhead, New York

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BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF RIVERHEAD, SUFFOLK COUNTY, NEW YORK

By Harry J. Kratoville
Town Clerk

Dated: Riverhead, New York
March 17, 1953

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Joseph V. Kelly, Supervisor	Voting	Yes
Austin H. Warner, Justice	Voting	Yes
Frank J. Yousik, Justice	Voting	Yes
Charles W. Gatz, Justice	Voting	Yes
William J. Leonard, Justice	Voting	Yes

The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Charles R. Culyer, a representative of the Suffolk County Civil Service Administration addressed the Board asking that the Board increase the sick leave of Town employees from 24 days to 60 days.

On motion made by Justice Yousik and seconded by Justice Gatz it was Resolved that any permanent employee of the Highway Department of the Town of Riverhead shall receive his regular per diem pay for a period not to exceed 12 days in any year while absent from work due to bone fide illness or disability, any such employee being allowed to accumulate such sick leave for a period not to exceed 2 years, the total of which not to exceed 24 days, provided however, that in a case of unusual hardship any such employee may make individual application to the Town Board for an extension of the sick leave period beyond the maximum provided herein. The Vote, Justices Warner, Yousik, Gatz and Leonard, Yes; Supervisor Kelly, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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--\$5267.29 and Highway Machinery Fund--\$1479.33.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday, April 7, 1953 at 2:00 P.M.

Harry J. Kratoville
Harry J. Kratoville, Town Clerk

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