

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Wednesday, February 1, 1956 at 10:00 A.M.

Present:

William J. Leonard, Supervisor

Otis G. Pike

Henry M. Zaleski

Bruno F. Zaloga, Jr., Justices of the Peace

John H. Benedict, Councilman

Also Present: Samuel L. Hays, Town Attorney, Myron C. Young, Superintendent of Highways, Stephen J. Grodski, Police Chief, Alden W. Young, Superintendent of Sewers, John Rkesdorff, Assistant Superintendent to the Water District, Roselle Benjamin, Water Plant Superintendent, Charles Allen Horton, Tax Receiver, and J. Wilson Stout, Assessor.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on January 17, 1956, were submitted and on motion made by Justice Zaleski and seconded by Justice Pike, it was Resolved that the minutes be approved as submitted. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Charles Allen Horton, Receiver of Taxes of the Town of Riverhead, submitted a report of the amount of taxes collected as of January 15, 1956. The report was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from William J. Leonard, Supervisor, certifying that he has received from Charles Allen Horton, Tax Receiver of the Town of Riverhead, the following sums of money on account of Tax Collections of the 1955-56 Tax Warrant: Maintenance of Highways---\$22,000.00; Highway Machinery---\$5,000.00; Removal of Snow & Misc Highway Purposes---\$4,000.00; Fire Districts---\$28,000.00; Lighting Districts---\$2,000.00; Town Welfare---\$7,000.; Water District---\$3,040.00; School Districts---\$133,000.00; Sewer District---\$18,246.64; General Town Purposes---\$25,000.00; and Water Arrears---\$3,586.40. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read from the Riverhead Fire Department, Harry G. Penny, Secretary-Treasurer--dated January 19, 1956 enclosing copy of report of Fire District Treasurer, towns of Riverhead-Southampton, for the year ending December 31st, 1955, as provided in the Town Law. The report was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read to the Board from Warren H. Gilman Assistant Attorney General, N.Y. State Department of Law, dated January 19, 1956 and advised that the application of the Northville Deck Corporation for a grant of easement in the Long Island Sound would be considered by the Board of Commissioners of the Land Office at its meeting on January 26, 1956 at 2:30 p.m. in the office of Secretary of State, 270 Broadway, N.Y. The communication was ordered placed on file.

The Police Report for the month of January 1956 was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

A communication dated Jan. 20, 1956 was read from the Long Island Lighting Company advising that on Jan. 25, 1955, one 400 watt (15000) lumens mercury vapor aerial street light was placed in operation, in the Riverhead Lighting District on West Main Street on Pole #2176. The communication was ordered placed on file.

A communication was read to the Board from the New York State Society of Professional Engineers, Inc. Suffolk County Chapter, advising that the Nation is about to celebrate National Engineers' Week on February 19 to 25. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Councilman Benedict and seconded by Justice Zaleski it was Resolved that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to place one (1) mercury light on the Corner of Court Street and Osborne Avenue on Pole #NYT 3-5 in the Riverhead Lighting District to replace the present incandescent light, and further

Resolved, that the Long Island Lighting Company be authorized to place an additional incandescent light on Pole #25 on Merritts Pond Road in the Riverhead Lighting District.

The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zalega, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes; Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Proof of Publication for sealed proposals for Police Apparel for the Riverhead Police Department was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Bids on purchase of Police Apparel for the Riverhead Police Department were opened as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Net Cost</u>
Vejveda's Cleaner's	\$1,460.05
Riverhead Tailor Shop	1,852.00
Perkins & Co.	1,756.00

The bids were ordered placed on file and on motion made by Justice Zaleski and seconded by Justice Zalega, it was Resolved that the bid of Vejveda's Cleaners, Riverhead, N.Y. for the total net cost of \$1,406.05 for police apparel for the Riverhead Town Police Department be accepted as per specifications. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zalega, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Justice Pike offered the following resolution which was seconded by Councilman Benedict:

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$6000.00 be appropriated for the purpose of procuring fire protection for the Riverhead Fire Protection Districts for the year 1956, and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 184 of the Town Law, as amended by laws of 1955, Chapter 391, Section 2, a contract be entered into with the BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVERHEAD FIRE DISTRICT OF RIVERHEAD, NEW YORK, for a period of five (5) years, beginning January 1, 1956 and ending December 31, 1960, for such fire protection, and it is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to the said section 184 of the Town Law, there may be a review of the terms of the said contract by request of either party thereto and by written request of either party given to the other at least two weeks prior to any regular meeting of the other party of the said contract.

The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Notice of Public Hearing in regard to the purchase of one diesel self-propelled soil pulverizer for the Highway Department was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Supervisor Leonard thereupon declared the hearing open and anyone who wished could be heard.

No one having appeared, the Hearing was thereupon declared closed.

Proof of Publication of the notice for sealed bids on the purchase of one diesel self-propelled soil pulverizer for the Highway Department was submitted to the Board and ordered placed on file.

Bids on the above mentioned soil pulverizer were submitted as follows:

	<u>Delivered Price</u>
K. A. Papish Equipment Co. Jamesport, N.Y.	\$12,250.00
Municipal Machinery Co. Ceram, N.Y.	11,645.00

The bids were referred to the Supt. of Highways, the Highway Committee and Alden W. Young, Eng. for approval.

On motion made by Justice Zaleski and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was RESOLVED that the Town of Riverhead purchase for use of the Riverhead Town Highway Department one (1) diesel Model DS-47, self-propelled Seaman Pulvi-Mixer from the Municipal Machinery Co., Coram, N.Y. for the sum of \$11,645.00, as per bid dated January 30th, 1956. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Zaloga and seconded by Justice Zaleski it was RESOLVED that Otto Stahl, Aquebogue, N.Y. be granted a leave of absence as School Traffic Officer assigned to the Aquebogue School Crossing from January 30, 1956 thru March 2, 1956. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

On motion made by Justice Zaloga and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was RESOLVED that Emil Breitenbach, Aquebogue, N.Y. serve as School Traffic Officer at the Aquebogue School crossing effective January 30, 1956 thru March 2, 1956 at \$1.75 per hour. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A communication dated January 28, 1956 was read to the Board from the Board of Fire Commissioners, Jamesport Fire District, calling the Board's attention again to the hazardous situation that exists in the Jamesport Fire District, namely, the Great Peconic Bay House, and requesting that the Board take some action. The communication was ordered placed on file and the Town Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. James Wasson, Mattituck, N.Y., the owner, that if work on the removal of said building is not started by February 21, 1956, the Town Board will instruct the Town Attorney to proceed with court proceedings.

A communication dated January 28, 1956 was read to the Board from the Board of Fire Commissioners, Jamesport Fire District, requesting information in regards to changing the names of two streets in the Jamesport Fire District. At the present time, three streets in the Jamesport Fire District have similar names, Centre St (South Jamesport Proper) Centre or Center St. (Waterview Terrace) and Centre or Center St. (Fairhaven). The Town Clerk was instructed to inform the Commissioners of the Jamesport Fire District that Centre Street in Fairhaven and Centre Street in Waterview Terrace are not public highways and the problem might be solved if the Commissioners could get the cooperation of the developers of these developments in having the names of these streets changed. The communication was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Pike and seconded by Councilman Benedict, it was RESOLVED that Frank J. Smith, 132 West Main Street, Riverhead, N.Y. be authorized to represent the Town of Riverhead as agent on all insurance matters and policies. The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard, Yes. The Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Mr. Kenneth Ross, Principal of the Aquebogue School, and Mr. Leslie Corwin, Mr. Stanley Hubbard and Mr. Ernest Draper of the Board of Trustees of the Aquebogue School, appeared before the Board and discussion centered on the housing development of Mr. Hollis Warner on Riverside Drive in Riverhead. Being that a large number of children from this housing development attend the Aquebogue School they wanted to know if this housing development was assessed at the proper residential rate and whether or not there were any Town Ordinances in effect that would provide for the health and welfare of these children and also for fire protection purposes for all tenants of the homes in this development. Assessor J. Wilson Stout mentioned that the homes were properly assessed, based on value. After further discussion with the Board members, it was decided to request the appearance of Mr. Hollis Warner at the next Town Board meeting to further discuss this problem.

Receiver of Taxes Charles Allen Horten requested authorization of the Town Board to buy a receipting machine for the Tax Receiver's Office for a cost of \$829.80. After discussion by the Board, it was requested that Mr. Horten investigate the possibility of renting this type of machine and report back to the Board.

Mr. Robert Tennenberg of Riverhead, N.Y., a member of the Riverhead Town Auxiliary Police, appeared before the Board. He requested that the Board, if they see fit, to purchase uniforms for the auxiliary police and also a radio equipped automobile. The matter was referred to the Police Committee for report at the next meeting.

Justice Pike made the following resolution which was seconded by Justice Zaleski:

WHEREAS, a proposed Town Ordinance regulating traffic in the Town of Riverhead has been drafted and copies made available for study, it is hereby

RESOLVED that a public hearing be held on February 21, 1956 at 11:00 A.M. at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead in the Town Hall, and further

RESOLVED that a notice of such public hearing be advertised in the official newspaper of the Town of Riverhead.

The Vote---Justices Pike, Zaleski and Zaloga, Yes; Councilman Benedict, Yes; Supervisor Leonard; Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Town Board convened as a Board of Audit and examined all Town Bills to date, the totals of which were as follows:
General Town Fund---\$3,765.71 and Highway Machinery Fund---\$1,375.69.
On motion and vote it was Resolved that the bills be approved as rendered.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday, February 21, 1956 at 10:00 A.M.

Anthony F. Gadzinski
Anthony F. Gadzinski, Town Clerk

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