

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Riverhead held in the Town Hall on Tuesday, July 2, 1940 at 9:30 A. M.

Present:

Elmer J. B. Sawyer, Supervisor.  
Austin H. Warner,  
Fred. H. Boutcher,  
Joseph V. Kelly,  
Henry M. Zaleski, Justices of the Peace.

Solomon Raffé, Town Attorney was present.

Minutes of a meeting of the Town Board held on June 19, 1940 were read and on motion and vote were duly adopted.

Mr. Arthur Trifiro of Hoccabauk Park, Aquebogue, addressed the Board in regard to the pollution of Meeting House Creek. He outlined in detail the conditions that exist in the vicinity of Hoccabauk Park stating that many City people own property in that locality which is of great benefit to the Town. However, he stated that the inhabitants will be unable to live there long if the pollution of Meeting House Creek and the adjacent waters is continued. He requested the Board to adopt a resolution to urge the State Authorities to take some action in the matter.

Mr. Herbert Vail of Hoccabauk Park, Aquebogue, addressed the Board stating that he is surprised that the Duck enterprise has continued so long in the Town of Riverhead without the authorities doing anything to regulate the business for the best interest of the Town. He stated that they aren't so interested in the ban on clams as they are in the matter of pollution and that they do not want to try to put anyone in jail. However, they do want the Town Board to take some action requesting the State Authorities to do away with the pollution of Meeting House Creek and the adjacent waters in the vicinity of Hoccabauk Park, Aquebogue.

Mr. Henry Johnson of Aquebogue, addressed the Board stating that he has several bungalows on the Bay at Aquebogue and due to the ban on clamming, it is almost impossible to rent the bungalows. He urged the Board to take the matter up with the Conservation Department to see if the restricted area in Reeve's Bay cannot possibly be reduced to eliminate the hardship of renting bungalows on Reeve's Bay.

A petition signed by 15 taxpayers of shore property on Reeve's Bay in Aquebogue, was submitted to the Board, requesting that the shellfish ban authorized by the State Conservation Department be lifted from Simmon's Point to the east side of Reeve's Creek. The petition was ordered placed on file.

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Kelly, it was RESOLVED that the matter of the pollution of the waters adjacent to the Hoccabauk Park and the shellfish ban of the said waters be referred to the Town Attorney, and it is further RESOLVED that the Town Attorney be instructed to arrange for a meeting between the proper State Authorities, the Town Board and all persons interested in the above matter for a discussion

of the situation. The vote, Justices Warner, Boutcher, Kelly and Zaleski, Yes, Supervisor Sawyer, Yes. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

A communication was read from Mr. Paul Dettner in regard to two concrete markers in front of the property of Mrs. Jessie Vail on West Main Street and also in regard to the curbing and sidewalk. The communication was referred to the Superintendent of Highways.

On motion made by Justice Warner and seconded by Justice Boutcher it was RESOLVED that the Supervisor be and he hereby is authorized to transfer the sum of \$57.75, from the Current Surplus Account to the Shade Tree Account, for the purpose of paying for the care of shade trees in the Town of Riverhead. The resolution was adopted by the unanimous vote of the Board.

On motion made by Justice Boutcher and seconded by Justice Warner, it was RESOLVED that Mrs. Maude Hoag be and she hereby is appointed special clerk to the Board of Assessors for the period beginning July 5, 1940 and ending December 1, 1940 inclusive, salary fixed at the rate of \$4.00 per day. The vote, Justices Warner and Boutcher, Yes, Justices Kelly and Zaleski, Not Voting, Supervisor Sawyer, Yes. Total vote, Yes 3, Noting Voting 2, No 0. The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

The Town Board then convened as a Board of Audit and examined the bills for the month of June, 1940.

There being no further business on motion and vote the meeting adjourned to meet on July 24, 1940 at 2:00 P. M.

  
Harry J. Kratoville, Town Clerk.