

TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 12, 1942

Town Clerk's Office

2:00 P. M.

- Present: Mr. Eberling
- Dr. Gilchrest
- Mr. Goebel
- Mr. Dickenman
- Mr. Blauvelt

Mr. Blauvelt called the meeting to order.

Mr. Fred Davidson appeared before the Board and took up the bills rendered for work done in connection with the formation of the West Nyack Lighting District and a water district in Nanuet. He said that the checks which he received were very much below the amount of the bills rendered, and he was at a loss to understand this. Mr. Davidson added that he had discussed the matter with Mr. Frei, an engineer, who has done a great deal of this work, and after checking over the work done in both matters, Mr. Frei has signed a letter saying that in his opinion the work done is just and fair. Mr. Davidson said he did not believe the Board could determine the bills excessive, since they did not know what work was actually done. Mr. Davidson said he felt the Board rightfully owes him the money and should pay it. He said he was coming before them to see if something could not be done about the matter.

Mr. Blauvelt said the Board had gone over the bills and felt that they were high. They appropriated at the time what they thought was sufficient to do the work, and that was all the money they had at the time for the work.

Mr. Davidson said he felt he deserved fair play. He said that he has been a taxpayer in the town for many years, and served on the Zoning Commission without compensation.

Mr. Blauvelt said he didn't believe the work would cost that much.

Mr. Goebel said that Mr. Jacobsen had told the Board that \$50.00 would be the amount for the work on the West Nyack Lighting District.

Mr. Davidson said that Mr. Jacobsen never had any information from him, and that he wanted the right of refusal and an honest deal.

Mr. Goebel said he felt there was a specific amount, and that was what the Board appropriated.

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Mr. Davidson said he never had any conversation with Mr. Jacobsen regarding such a figure. He further added that he did all of his work under the direction of Mr. Lexow, who was then Town Attorney, and that time after time he had gone back to Mr. Lexow and had so much additional work in connection with the district.

Mr. Blauvelt asked Mr. Davidson if he ever gave an estimate.

Mr. Davidson said that he often did.

Mr. Davidson further pointed out that he had to make a search of every piece of property, as well as the checking and plotting, and that he had to run over two miles of field work.

Mr. Blauvelt appointed Mr. Eberling and himself on a committee to see Mr. Lexow and go into the matter.

Mr. Davidson said he was satisfied with this arrangement.

Judge Levison appeared before the Board as a representative of the people of Central Nyack. He presented a petition signed by residents and taxpayers of Central Nyack petitioning the Town Board to abate conditions now existing on the premises of Ned A. Besso, situated on the South side of Route 59 at the corner of Chestnut Street, Central Nyack. He told the Board that neighbors and residents are complaining because the place is an eyesore. There is junk of all kinds; parts of old cars and upholstering hair are burned, and at times the flames are as high as 20 to 30 feet. He also said that he understands trucks owned by Mr. Besso block the highways and congest traffic. He told the Board that about two years ago he owned a piece of property near the Besso place, and that it had caught fire due to the flames from fires on Mr. Besso's property. He told the Board he had disposed of his property at a loss, feeling it better to realize what he could, due to the undesirable conditions.

Mr. Blauvelt told Mr. Levison that this was a matter for the Board of Health, and that the petition would be taken up with the Health Officer.

Mr. Garrett Miller of West Nyack appeared before the Board and presented a petition for the disestablishment of the West Nyack Lighting District. Mr. Miller said that practically every one of the taxpayers he saw are very willing to reopen this lighting district according to a new rate which would be established, but that they want to abolish the present lighting district.

Mr. Brandenburg then presented another petition for the disestablishment of the West Nyack Lighting Dist. and asked that the hearing be held as soon as possible.

Mr. Brandenburg then asked if the people in the extension would have to pay \$2.25 per \$100.

Mr. Blauvelt advised him that there would have to be an equalization.

Mr. Brandenburg then asked if the people would have to pay \$2.25 after the extension became a part of the legal district, as the valuation ran up to about \$127,000.

Mr. Blauvelt told him that there would also have to be an equalization on this.

Mr. Miller told the Board that the people of West Nyack had partly subscribed for the \$510.78 needed to discontinue the district, and that he understood from the Rockland Light & Power Company that this would be satisfactory.

Mr. Irvin F. Dillon, Co-Ordinator for the Town of Clarkstown, appeared before the Board relative to Civilian Defense. He said that the local co-ordinators had a meeting with Mr. Wallace and himself, and the question is to help some of the districts along financially. He said that he was bringing it to the attention of the Board. Mr. Dillon pointed out that according to legislation passed at Albany, there are two ways of financing local districts. (1) County can appropriate money for the towns (2) The town itself can appropriate money up to \$1000. Mr. Dillon said the co-ordinators are not looking for money for themselves, as the work is all voluntary, and they are doing a good job. However, the centers are paying for their telephone and electric by holding bingoes and card parties. He said he felt the Board should give this matter some consideration, especially now when donations are being asked for so many different things.

Chief Liebert said he would like to point out to the Board that every day there is a white signal flashed on his office telephone. There are 10 calls to make, 4 of which are toll calls, and when there are two signals in a day, this makes 8 toll calls. He said this would increase his telephone bill from \$15.00 to \$18.00 per month just for these calls.

Mrs. Buchenau then read the minutes for meetings held May 1st, May 8th and May 18th.

Mr. Dickenman moved the minutes be adopted as read.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt read a petition signed by citizens, taxpayers and residents of West Nyack, petitioning the Board to take over and maintain a road in West Nyack, which is adjacent to and adjoins the southerly boundardy line of property of the West Nyack Fire Engine Co. No. 1, as it is a necessary means of ingress and egress between the West Nyack Fire House and the Strawtown Road.

Supt. of Highways, Emil Klein, Jr., reported that the road was in condition to be accepted by the Town.

Dr. Gilchrest moved the road be accepted, pursuant to the petition filed this day.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
Mr. Goebel	Yes
Mr. Dickenman	Yes
Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Marguerite Pedersen, Sec.-Treas. of the New City Park Club, Inc. enclosing a map of New City Park, and requesting the Board to give careful consideration to the acceptance and maintenance of roads in New City Park.

Mr. Eberling moved that the map be filed with the petitions.

Seconded by Dr. Gilchrest

Carried

Supt. of Highways, Emil Klein, Jr., reported that the roads in New City Park are not in condition to be accepted by the Town. Mr. Klein offered the suggestion that one road be taken at a time, put in acceptable condition, and then a petition be presented to the Board to accept this road.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the Town Attorney, Jacob K. Wexler, advising that the 10% war expense surcharge of \$13.50 for the quarter ending April 1st, 1942 is improper and should not be paid.

Mr. Blauvelt then read a letter from the Board of Water Commissioners, Village of Nyack, relative to a new contract to be entered in between the Town and the Village of Nyack.

Mr. Blauvelt then read a letter from the Water Commissioner to the Town Clerk regarding the cancellation of the present contract and

the writing of a new contract, effective August 25th, 1942.

Mr. Blauvelt said he wanted to point out that in the new contract, there is a clause regarding extra charges due to war conditions, but that no specific amount is stipulated.

It was decided to ask the opinion of the Town Attorney.

Mr. Eberling moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, appropriations were made in the 1941 Budget for Town Welfare Items advanced by County of Rockland pursuant to statement of the County Treasurer, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor be authorized to pay to the County Treasurer the following sums:

INSTITUTIONAL RELIEF	\$ 460.00
OUTDOOR RELIEF	5,400.00
NON-RESIDENTS	415.00
TOWN CHARGES AT THE COUNTY WELFARE HOME	<u>7,500.00</u>
Total	\$ 13,775.00

and

WHEREAS, there is included in the Budget under LUNACY the sum of \$300.00 for Town Charges, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor pay to the County Treasurer the sum of \$300.00 to be credited to the Town of Clarkstown Lunacy Account.

Seconded by Dr. Gilchrest	Vote:	Mr. Eberling	Yes
		Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
		Mr. Goebel	Yes
		Mr. Dickenman	Yes
		Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Dr. Gilchrest moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board has deemed it necessary to have larger quarters for the Police Department and an office for the Supervisor, be it hereby

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$135.00 be transferred from Current Surplus to Town Police Rent and \$240.00 from Current Surplus to Supervisor's Office Rent.

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Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
Mr. Goebel	Yes
Mr. Dickenman	Yes
Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Blauvelt presented a petition for a tax refund of John J. Driscoll covering taxes erroneously assessed.

Mr. Goebel moved that a refund of \$3.24 be granted to John J. Driscoll.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
Mr. Goebel	Yes
Mr. Dickenman	Yes
Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the West Nyack Fire Company No. 1 extending an invitation to the Board to attend the opening ceremonies of their new firehouse on June 20th.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the National Youth Administration, enclosing a bulletin outlining training for the youth so desiring it in defense trade. She also advised that Resident Centers are being maintained in New York State, where both boys and girls may learn a defense trade and earn sufficient money to cover board and room plus \$8.00 a month for personal use.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the Zoning Board of Appeals in which a request is made that W. Reginald Herdman be appointed Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and in which they advise that the Town Attorney, Mr. Wexler, has informed them the law requires the Town Board to make the appointment of chairman to their board.

Mr. Dickenman moved that W. Reginald Herdman be appointed Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of one year, effective June 19th, 1942 and ending June 19th, 1943.

Seconded by Dr. Gilchrest

Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
Mr. Goebel	Yes
Mr. Dickenman	Yes
Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Dickenman moved that in Dist. #9, Centenary, Mrs. Rose Clark be named for Inspector of Elections in place of Rita Clark.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling	Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
	Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
	Mr. Goebel	Yes
	Mr. Dickenman	Yes
	Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Supt. of Highways, Emil Klein, Jr. brought to the attention of the Board his problem of having no space to store his snow fences, etc. At present it is stored over near his highway barn in the open, and he said that a complaint was made to the Zoning Board of Appeals that things are scattered all around near his barn. He asked the Board to consider purchasing some property at the back and to the south of his present highway barn, and that a shed be put up to store his equipment. He told the Board that the County at present has an option on some property, and that Mr. Allison had promised to let him have some of this property.

Mr. Goebel moved that Mr. Klein be authorized to get figures on the necessary property that he would need adjoining the Clarkstown Highway Barn.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman	Carried
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Mr. Eberling moved that Dr. Gilchrest be authorized to purchase a Monroe Calculator at the best price possible.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman	Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
	Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
	Mr. Goebel	Yes
	Mr. Dickenman	Yes
	Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Dr. Gilchrest took up the matter of the honor roll for the men in service. He said that each village wants a separate bulletin board.

Mr. Blauvelt said that the Lions Club in New City is putting up a board by popular subscription and wondered if other villages wouldn't handle the matter the same way.

Mr. Goebel moved that Mr. Wexler be authorized to go to Albany to consult with the Attorney General to get a ruling on the West Nyack Lighting District.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the Automatic Voting Machine Company, recommending that if the Town Board believes the Town will require any additional voting machines during the next two years, they arrange to purchase them now, as there are indications their stock will be entirely depleted before August 1st, 1942.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter addressed to the various lighting districts of the town from the Rockland Light & Power Company relative to street light extensions.

Mr. Blauvelt reported that home relief is at the lowest point in the past ten years. In May, 1942, there were 46 cases costing \$1,136.54. In April, 1935, there were 216 cases costing \$4,115.78. In April, 1942, there were 4 Veterans Relief Cases costing \$89.90, and in April, 1935, there were 39 cases costing \$1,246.48.

The new ater contracts were then referred to Mr. Wexler, Town Attorney, and he advised the Board to accept them, as it is difficult to know just what the charges may be during a war period.

Mr. Goebel moved that the agreement with the Village of Nyack Board of Water Commissioners be signed by the Supervisor, Roswell P. Blauvelt, effective August 25th, 1942.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling	Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
	Dr. Gilchrest	Yes
	Mr. Goebel	Yes
	Mr. Dickenman	Yes
	Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Dickenman moved the following appointments of Custodian of Elections.

Dist. No. 1	New City	Frank Zwerlein, Jr.
Dist. No. 2	Rockland Lake	Edwin Rogers
Dist. No. 3	West Nyack	Emil Charoy
Dist. No. 4	Upper Nyack	Daniel Rogers
Dist. No. 5	Nanuet	Raymond Youmans, Sr.
Dist. No. 6	Central Nyack	Charles Heinig
Dist. No. 7	Congers	Charles Russell
Dist. No. 8	Valley Cottage	Alfred Riflard
Dist. No. 9	Centenary	Charles Lenhart
Dist. No. 10	Spring Valley	Clifford Titus
Dist. No. 11	Bardonia	William Orange

Seconded by Mr. Eberling	Vote: Mr. Eberling	Yes
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	Mr. Goebel	Yes
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	Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

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 Mr. Goebel Yes
 Mr. Dickenman Yes
 Mr. Blauvelt Yes

Bills Nos. 394 to 441 on Warrant No. 7 were audited and ordered paid as follows:

<u>CLAIM NO.</u>	<u>CLAIMANT</u>	<u>NATURE OF CLAIM</u>	<u>FUND AND/OR APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT ALLOWED</u>
394	West Nyack Service Station	Expense	Police	9.50
395	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	9.16
396	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	29.05
397	C. R. Jones, Jr., Inc.	"	"	38.00
398	Walter Arwe	"	"	3.50
399	Philip Rieber Co.	"	"	3.95
400	Rockland Gas Co., Inc.	"	"	6.76
401	Nanuet National Bank	Rent of Police Headquarters	"	30.00
402	Rockland Light & Power Co.	Care & Maintenance	Traffic Lights	5.00
403	Lederle Labs., Inc.	Medical Supplies	Board of Health	2.40
404	Koblin's Pharmacy	"	"	2.23
405	James Bromm	Nuisance Exp.	"	2.00
406	Dr. E. W. Pitkin	Preschool Clinic	"	20.00
407	William Blanch	Expense	Welfare Officer	29.15
408	Philip J. Klein	"	"	3.75
409	Ralph A. Lombardi	"	"	6.00
410	Letitia Johnson	"	"	12.00
411	Coyle & Coyle	Rent of Office	"	25.00
412	"	Rent of Commissary	"	15.00
413	Gibson Hague	Spec. & Med. (Not Reimbursable)	Outdoor Relief	.80
414	A. S. Moscarella, M.D.	"	"	4.00
415	J. V. Keyrouse	"	"	2.79
416	Slavin's Pharmacy	"	"	1.25
417	Myron Dulmer	Veterans Relief	Veterans Relief	17.98
418	Harry McClure	"	"	15.00
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Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Vote: Mr. Eberling

Yes

Dr. Gilchrest

Yes

Mr. Goebel

Yes

Mr. Dickenman

Yes

Mr. Blauvelt

Yes

Bills Nos. 367 to 441 on Warrant No. 7 were audited and ordered paid as follows:

<u>CLAIM NO.</u>	<u>CLAIMANT</u>	<u>NATURE OF CLAIM</u>	<u>FUND AND/OR APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT ALLOWED</u>
367	John C. Fajen	Rent	Supervisor	30.00
368	Philip J. Klein	Expense	"	30.05
369	New City Hardware Store	"	"	6.58
370	Excelsior Press	"	Town Clerk	9.50
371	Philip J. Klein	"	"	2.75
372	Nanuet Fire Engine Co.	Rent of Court-room	Justice	20.00
373	West Nyack Fire Engine Co. #1	Rent of Courtroom	"	20.00
374	Joseph B. Komonchak	Expense	"	15.00
375	Alphonse J. Schroeder	"	Assessors	4.00
376	Charles Haerle	"	Receiver of Taxes	9.49
377	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	3.10
378	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	7.25
379	"	"	"	7.95
380	Mrs. Rose M. Leo	Rent of Office	"	40.00
381	Joseph Leo	Janitor	"	10.00
382	John C. Fajen	Rent of Town Clerk's office	Town Offices	40.00
383	Nyack Window Cleaning Co.	Expense	"	3.00
384	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	8.55
385	"	"	"	14.30
386	Nyack Typewriter Exchange	"	"	48.80
387	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	7.08
388	Faber L. Carey	Fees Exp.	\$31.00 <u>5.07</u> Zoning	36.07
389	New City Hardware Store	Expense	Police	9.40
390	"	"	"	3.45
391	"	"	"	4.54
392	Louis H. Heydeman	"	"	11.80
393	Walter Bovee	"	"	2.50
394	West Nyack Service Station	"	"	9.50

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419	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	2.00
420	Endicott-Johnson Co.	"	"	2.69
421	Joseph E. Chasse	"	"	6.00
422	Coyle & Coyle	"	"	25.00
423	Henry Helmcke	"	"	4.00
424	Denton Hoyer, Agent A & P Store	"	"	24.00
425	M. A. Dal Lago, M.D.	"	"	6.00
426	Thomas A. Goebel	"	"	13.05
427	New York Telephone Co.	Expense	"	4.60
428	John J. Harrison	"	"	5.52
429	Philip J. Klein	"	"	1.20
430	John J. Harrison	Comp. including Clerical Asst.	"	50.00

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431	David Edwards	Repairs	Parks	10.00
432	Fred Mutinsky, Jr.	"	"	24.50
433	Naurashank Post 794, American Legion	"	"	15.00
434	Rockland Co. Chapter 120, Military Order of the Purple Heart	Memorial Day Obser- vance	Memorial Day Obser- vance	49.50
435	Lt. Raymond B. Jauss Post #2607	"	"	50.00
436	Naurashank Post #794, American Legion	"	"	50.00
437	Carl C. Hopper	Care	Cemeteries	59.95
438	Frank E. Hopper, Sr.	"	"	59.95
439	George Roscoe	"	"	59.95
440	Austin Gardner	"	"	59.95
441	Joseph Quick	Street Signs	Construction & Permanent Improve- ments	<u>126.00</u>
			Total	\$ 1,408.29

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Mr. Eberling moved that the meeting be adjourned.
 Seconded by Mr. Dickenman Carried
 Meeting adjourned.

Kate Puchman
 Town Clerk of Clarkstown