

TOWN BOARD MEETING

May 12, 1944

Town Clerk's Office

2:00 P.M.

Present: Mr. Schmersahl

Mr. Eberling

Mr. Dickenman

Mr. Blauvelt

Mr. Blauvelt called the meeting to order and requested the reading of the minutes for the last regular meeting.

Mrs. Buchenau read the minutes for the regular meeting held April 14th, 1944.

Mr. Blauvelt said that he understood the agreement with the Zukor Estate was for a period of five years and not two years as shown in the minutes, and he requested that this portion of the minutes be corrected.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the minutes be approved and adopted with the correction requested by Mr. Blauvelt.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt reported to the Board that Mr. Wexler, Town Attorney, could not be present at the meeting since he was delayed in court. Mr. Blauvelt informed the Board that there were several matters on which Mr. Wexler had been requested to report, but that these matters would have to be held over until the next meeting.

Mr. Blauvelt said that Mr. Wexler had reported that he had made an appointment to meet with Mr. Henion tomorrow morning - May 13th.

The Board then discussed informally the payment by the Town of contributions due the Retirement System from town employees in the armed forces. Mr. Eberling, in commenting on this matter, told the Board he felt that the Town should pay the contributions for the boys while in the service of their country.

Mr. Blauvelt told the Board that as he understands it, the Town pays its share and the members of the Retirement System pay their own. There is a question as to whether the Town can pay this money for the boys in service. Mr. Blauvelt pointed out that the boys do have one

year after they are returned to civilian life to make up their back payments.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter which he had written to Mrs. Shortal, Sec. of the Congers Democratic Club, regarding equipment allocated to the Congers Fire Company under lend-lease.

Mr. Blauvelt reported to the Board that Lieut Glenn C. Miller had called at his office and told him that he was leaving for Pearl Harbor, and probably would be out of the country for the duration of the war.

Mr. Blauvelt then informed the Board that the abandoned cemeteries would have to be taken care of.

Mr. Eberling moved that the Supervisor be authorized to have the brush and weeds removed from the abandoned cemeteries in Clarkstown, the compensation to be 65¢ per hour.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Mr. Geo. M. Edsall, advising that a return premium of \$31.65 was due the Town by reason of an audit on Fidelity & Casualty Auto Policy No. A-171538. A check to cover this amount was enclosed with the letter.

Mr. Blauvelt then presented the reports of the various town officials covering the month of April as follows:-

Report of Supervisor, showing total receipts amounting to \$667.06 and total disbursements in the amount of \$9,309.79. The Trial Balance showed the balance of the Town as of April 30th, 1944 to be \$177,946.48.

Town Clerk's report, showing total receipts in the amount of \$502.60. The amount remitted to the Supervisor was \$31.85.

Report of Irvin F. Dillon, showing total receipts in the amount of \$46.00.

Report of Building Inspector, showing total receipts amounting to \$28.00.

Report of Welfare Officer, showing total disbursements amounting to \$597.55. The case load was 14, and 33 individuals shared in the relief.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the reports of the various town officials

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be accepted.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the New York State Postwar Public Works Planning Commission regarding the filing of monthly reports on the New Valley Rd. project.

Mrs. Buchenau was requested to look into this matter and forward to the State the report they have requested.

Correspondence was then read between the Valley Cottage Engine Company No. 1 and Mrs. Buchenau relative to injuries suffered by George F. Bayer while attending a fire.

Letters were then read from Mrs. Buchenau to Henry Fajen and the New City Fire Company regarding an accident on April 14th, 1944 when Mr. Fajen was injured while attending a fire.

A letter was then read by Mr. Blauvelt from Valley Cottage Engine Co. No. 1 reporting injuries sustained by Mr. Albert Kreuger while attending a brush fire on April 13th.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the New York State Postwar Public Works Planning Commission, advising that the plans for the proposed town hall which were filed are not acceptable, since they do not meet the requirements of the Commission. They also advise that certain additional information as outlined in the Municipal Handbook is required.

Mr. Eberling moved that the blueprint for the proposed town hall be referred to Mr. Chris Bardon, the architect who designed it, with the request that he kindly make the necessary corrections and furnish such additional information as required by the New York State Postwar Public Works Planning Commission.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Ned A. Besso, in which he requests permission to dump rubbish and proper fill on a 22 acre tract of land owned by him on the south side of Route 59 between the West Nyack Station and Route 303. His reason for asking this permission is that he wishes to store salvaged aeroplanes and tanks now being purchased from the U.S. government and also building and other salvage materials which may be of assistance to the war effort.

In commenting on this request, Mr. Blauvelt told the Board that he felt that under proper supervision the filling in of this property would be an improvement to the neighborhood.

Mr. Schmersahl then inquired who would check on Mr. Besso to make certain that he kept the dump covered and in good condition.

Mr. Blauvelt said that in the past the police have always cooperated in every way with the Board to see that people having the privilege to keep dumps complied with the rule that they must be covered with fill and kept in a sanitary manner.

Mr. Eberling said that he was opposed to the dumping of garbage and that he felt that before the Board granted permission to fill in this property, an agreement should be drawn up by the Town Attorney, which would give the Board the right to cancel any permit granted if Mr. Besso did not keep the dump covered and in a sanitary manner.

Mr. Eberling moved that Mr. Wexler, Town Attorney, be requested to draw up an agreement before granting permission to Mr. Besso to use his property in West Nyack as a dump, which would give the Board the power to cancel or revoke this permission should the dump not be maintained in the proper manner.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

In reporting on Columbus Ave. in Congers, Mr. Klein told the Board that the road is only 40 feet in width. About 1/2 of the road is in good condition, but the other half does not have any subbase of stone. Mr. Klein suggested that if the Board takes over the 400 feet that the road be continued over to Route 303.

The Board requested Mr. Dickenman to take this matter up with the people who requested that this road be taken over by the Town.

Mr. Blauvelt then presented a map of New City Park upon which a pencil line was drawn to indicate the water mains.

Mr. Klein, Supt. of Highways, told the Board that he felt there must be a blueprint showing in more complete detail the location of the mains and also the size and depth of the pipes.

In discussing the matter of the roads in the park, the board members were of the opinion that the park directors should file a more complete map of the water mains before any action could be taken.

Mr. Eberling moved that the New City Park directors file a more detailed map showing the location, size and depth of the water mains in New City Park.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Sergeant Wiebicke said he was appearing in place of Chief Liebert, who had been detained in New York City. However, he said there was nothing Chief Liebert had planned to bring before the Board.

Mr. Dickenman told the Board he wished to present a complaint of residents living in Congers in the vicinity of the Scheu greenhouse. The complaint is to the effect that Mr. Scheu has dumped a carload of coal in his yard and expects to dump another load within a short time. Mr. Scheu's neighbors feel that this coal heap is unsightly and they asked that some action be taken in the matter. Mr. Dickenman further added that sometime ago, a complaint was registered regarding a smoke nuisance on Mr. Scheu's property, and at that time, he agreed with the Health Officer to extend the chimney that was causing the trouble.

The Board in discussing the matter of the coal on Mr. Scheu's property was of the opinion that unless there was some way legally to have the coal stored in another place the Board could do nothing. It was decided to refer the matter to Mr. Wexler's attention for further advice.

Mr. Dickenman then presented a complaint from Mr. A. Pantol of Congers, who said that an ice cream truck parks near the school during the noon hour, and this has caused a loss of business to him. He asked if something could not be done about it.

In discussing the matter, the Board was of the opinion that if this ice cream vendor is licensed to sell in Clarkstown, then there is nothing the Board can do about it.

Mr. Dickenman then called to Mr. Blauvelt's attention a dangerous condition on the sidewalk just east of the Catholic Church in Congers. Mr. Blauvelt said he would refer the matter to the proper authorities.

Bills Nos. 311 to 388 on Warrant #5 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>
311	John C. Fajen	Rent	TOWN BOARD Town Hall & Offices	50.00
312	"	"	"	30.00
313	Mrs. Rose M. Leo	"	"	40.00
314	Nanuet National Bank	"	"	30.00
315	West Nyack Fire Engine Co.	"	"	20.00
316	Nanuet Fire Engine Co.	"	"	20.00
317	Coyle & Coyle	"	"	35.00
318	Nyack Window Cleaning Co.	Repairs	"	6.00
319	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	Light	"	3.45
320	"	"	"	8.52
321	"	"	"	1.82
322	"	"	"	4.15
323	Rockland Gas Co., Inc.	Heat	"	10.52
324	New York Telephone Co.	Telephone	"	5.50
325	"	"	"	6.60
326	"	"	"	21.75
327	"	"	"	9.75
328	"	"	"	13.80
329	"	"	"	8.45
330	Journal-News	Printing & Advertising	Printing & Advertising	2.31
331	John Elliott	Zoning Inspector Expense	Zoning Inspector Expense	18.50
332	Roswell P. Blauvelt	Office Expense	Supervisor	10.00
333	Joseph B. Komonchak	Comp. of Employees	Justice	5.00
334	Edward Thompson Co.	Office & Other Exp.	"	10.00
335	Excelsior Press	"	"	15.00
336	Edward A. Barley	"	Town Clerk	51.31
337	Cunard Stationery & Printing Co.	"	"	2.94
338	"	"	"	5.12
339	Mrs. Florence Englehardt	"	Assessors	10.00
340	Wagschals	Office Exp.	Rec. of Taxes	2.70
341	Florence Blauvelt	Comp.	Board of Appeals	14.75
* 342	Walter Bovee	Other Exp.	Police	71.75

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343	Wm. Paul Babcock	Other Exp.	Police	3.50
344	Eastman Kodak Stores, Inc.	"	"	1.73
345	Williamson Law Book Co.	"	"	10.00
346	Wagschals	"	"	2.90
347	Nyack Typewriter Exchange	"	"	18.50
348	C. R. Jones, Jr., Inc.	"	"	1.05
349	Town of Clarkstown, Highway Fund	"	"	108.54
350	Henry Reuben	"	"	42.25
351	New City Hardware Store	"	"	7.02
352	Philip Rieber Co.	"	"	7.40
353	Barons	"	"	56.00
354	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	Congers O.C.D.	War Emergency Pur.	1.00
355	"	"	"	1.00
356	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	17.60
357	"	"	"	17.50
358	"	"	"	17.60
359	"	Central Nyack O.C.D.	"	8.50
360	"	Valley Cottage O.C.D.	"	11.60
361	"	"	"	13.50
362	"	West Nyack O.C.D.	"	6.90
363	"	Nanuet O.C.D.	"	9.25
364	Samuel H. Handley	Office & Other Exp.	Welfare Officer	10.28
365	John J. Harrison	Veterans Relief	Veterans Relief	8.64
366	William Christie	Item No. 1	Highway	22.50
367	O.R.B. Road Materials, Inc.	"	"	363.00
368	West Nyack Trap Rock Co., Inc.	"	"	18.86
369	Johnson & Connell	"	"	110.70
370	Mt. Ivy Sand & Gravel Co.	"	"	3.00
371	Congers Paint & Hardware Co.	Item No. 3	"	9.90
372	John H. Jensen, Jr.	"	"	7.35
373	H. O. Penn Machinery Co., Inc.	"	"	305.00
374	Good Roads Machinery Co., Inc.	"	"	18.11

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375	C. R. Jones, Jr., Inc.	Item No. 3	Highway	2.20
376	Nyack Auto Parts, Inc.	"	"	20.35
377	Hutton-Johnson Co., Inc.	"	"	12.75
378	John J. King	"	"	94.59
379	J. E. Vanderbilt & Co., Inc.	Item No. 4	"	16.63
380	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	24.62
381	Williamson Law Book Co.	"	"	2.00
382	Consumers Paper Co.	"	"	42.90
383	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	11.45
384	New City Hardware Store	"	"	47.34
385	Nanuet Diner	"	"	18.50
386	E. Winifred Pitkin	Other Health Exp.	Board of Health	20.00
387	John Anger, Jr.	"	"	2.00
388	Richard Nickerson	"	"	2.00

Mr. Eberling moved that the Board adjourn to go into Board of Health Meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman

Carried

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Kate Puchman

Town Clerk of Clarkstown