

TOWN BOARD MEETING

Feb. 9th, 1945

Town Clerk's Office

3:30 P.M.

Present: Mr. Schmersahl

Mr. McIntyre

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 then read the minutes for the last meeting held January 12th.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the minutes be adopted as read.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt then introduced Mr. Roepe, newly appointed Town Attorney, to the Board members.

Mr. Herman Irion appeared before the Board as a Committee for the Rockland County Planning Board, and presented a resolution adopted by the Planning Board recommending that in towns where a zoning ordinance now exists the Town Boards amend the ordinance to permit the erection and maintenance of airports if approved by the Civil Aeronautics Administration. Mr. Irion informed the Board that negotiations are now under way to get the necessary property, but that some difficulty had been experienced in finding the right spot due to the hilly nature of Rockland County and the fact that the property must be of a level character approximately 1 mile in acreage. He said that the County would be required to acquire the property, and the Federal Government would finally build the airport.

When questioned by the Councilmen as to whether any site had been selected in Clarkstown, Mr. Irion informed the Board that the Committee had looked at some property on Rose Rd., Nanuet, and that some thought had been given to property near Squadron A farm. However, High Torr Mountain would be one factor that would eliminate this latter property as a possibility, since the proposed airport must be at least four miles from a mountain.

Mr. Irion concluded his remarks by saying that no figures could be given at the present time as to actual costs, etc. His purpose in appearing was to have the Zoning Ordinance amended so that if the airport should be built

in Clarkstown, there would be no restrictions as far as the zoning ordinance is concerned to prevent its construction.

The Board decided to lay the matter on the table at least for the present time.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Frank R. Zwahlen, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, advising that efforts had been made to secure bids for the tax rolls, but that it would be impossible to present them to the Board at the meeting. He further asked that some arrangement be made whereby the contract could be awarded within a reasonable time after receipt of the bids.

Mr. Eberling moved that the Assessors be authorized to award the bid for the 1945 Field Books and Tax Rolls at the best figure possible.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman	Vote: Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
	Mr. McIntyre	Yes
	Mr. Eberling	Yes
	Mr. Dickenman	Yes
	Mr. Blauvelt	Yes

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Edward G. Roepe, Town Attorney, regarding the change of attorneys in the New York Trap Rock Corp. court action against the Town of Clarkstown.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Henry J. McFarland, Jr., Director New York State Dept. of Civil Service, advising that effective January 30th, 1945, the office of Assessor had been taken from the Exempt class.

Mr. Blauvelt told the Board that he would write and find out just what has been done in this matter.

Mr. Blauvelt then read letters from Thomas C. Desmond, State Senator and Robert Walmsley, Assemblyman, addressed to Kate Buchenau, Town Clerk, acknowledging receipt of the resolution adopted by the Town Board favoring a 4-year term of office for the Supervisor, Town Clerk and Supt. of Highways.

Mr. Blauvelt then read another letter from Thomas C. Desmond, enclosing three separate bills which he has introduced in the Senate, to provide for a 4-year term of office for the Supervisor, Town Clerk and Supt. of Highways.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the Zoning Board of Appeals, recommending a new schedule of fees for new buildings, alterations and additions in the Town of Clarkstown.

After discussing the matter, it was decided to hold the matter up until the next meeting so that the Board members may study it more carefully.

Mr. Eberling moved that the Bond of Samuel Henry Handley, as Welfare Officer of the Town of Clarkstown, in the amount of \$500.00 be approved and accepted.

Seconded by Mr. Dickenman

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt presented the reports of the following Town Officers for the month of January.

Supervisor's report and Trial Balance

Town Clerk's report

Building Inspector's report

Report of Irvin F. Dillon for Dec.

Report of Welfare Officer

Report of Veterans Welfare Officer

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from the Association of Towns, advising that beginning January 1st, 1945 a new system in reporting fees and fines of the Justices of the Peace will begin. The Justices submit their reports directly to the State Comptroller, and the Comptroller distributes to the Supervisor, as well as to the other state departments and officials, the proper share of the earnings of such justice court.

Mr. Blauvelt then told the Board that Mr. Ronan, County Asst. Engineer for the State, had called on him regarding the possible erection by the State of an Office and Storehouse in Valley Cottage.

Mr. Blauvelt then read a letter from Mr. Ronan, requesting that a certain parcel of property in Valley Cottage known as the Girod property be changed from Residence district to Business B district to permit the erection of an Office and Storehouse to be used by the State.

After discussing the matter, the Board decided to refer the request to the Town Attorney.

Mr. Roepe, Town Attorney, then read to the Board a letter in which he advised that pursuant to Section 130, Sub. 4 of the Town Law, the Town Board is authorized to pass an ordinance requiring the owner and occupant of premises abutting on any street where a sidewalk has been laid to keep the sidewalk in front of such premises free and clear from snow, ice, dirt, and other obstructions. He told the Board that they could include an ordinance in this regard among those

Mr. Klein said that approximately 200 feet of this road is in Clarkstown, and the balance is in Ramapo. From the description given by Mr. McIntyre as to the location of the bump in the road, Mr. Klein said he believed this portion to be in the Town of Ramapo.

Mr. McIntyre then asked what disposition had been made regarding the application of Ned Besso for the right to fill in his property in West Nyack on Route 59.

Upon checking the minutes, it was found that Mr. Besso had made an application to dump rubbish and fill on his property in West Nyack, but that no action was taken to grant this permission.

Chief Liebert reported to the Board that he had taken up the matter of renewing the lease on the Police Headquarters with Mr. Edsall, and that the Nanuet National Bank as satisfied to continue the lease on the present basis.

Chief Liebert then reported to the Board that he has never received so little cooperation from the people regarding the parking of cars on the highways as he has experienced this winter. He said that during the past severe storm, people left their cars on the highways, and this made it very hard for the Highway Dept. to properly remove the snow. He asked the Board if something couldn't be done to secure a little more cooperation from the people of the town in this regard, and in this connection he said he felt that perhaps an ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles on the highways would be a solution of the problem.

Bills Nos. 75 to 143 on Warrant #2 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>
75	John C. Fajen	Rent	TOWN BOARD Town Hall & Offices	50.00
76	"	"	"	30.00
77	Nanuet National Bank	"	"	30.00
78	Mrs. Rose M. Leo	"	"	40.00
79	John Elliott	"	"	15.00
80	Coyle & Coyle	"	"	35.00
81	Nanuet Fire Engine Co.	"	"	20.00
82	"	"	"	20.00
83	West Nyack Fire Engine Co. #1	"	"	20.00

<u>CLAIM NO.</u>	<u>CLAIMANT</u>	<u>NATURE OF CLAIM</u>	<u>FUND AND/OR APPROPRIATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT ALLOWED</u>
84	Village of Upper Nyack, N.Y.	Rent	TOWN BOARD Town Hall & Offices	85.00
85	Nyack Window Cleaning Co.	Repairs	"	6.00
86	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	Light	"	2.10
87	"	"	"	4.95
88	"	"	"	4.60
89	"	"	"	8.78
90	Rockland Gas Co., Inc.	Heat	"	11.00
91	"	"	"	15.57
92	New York Telephone Co.	Telephone	"	13.40
93	"	"	"	9.55
94	"	"	"	5.60
95	"	"	"	6.20
96	"	"	"	5.75
97	"	"	"	6.65
98	"	"	"	5.50
99	"	"	"	21.85
100	Albert Kip	Compensation	Elections	25.00
101	Coyle & Coyle	Official Bonds, etc.	Insurance	5.00
102	"	"	"	4.00
103	George M. Edsall	Fire & Liab.	Insurance	90.35
104	"	"	"	91.33
105	The Journal-News	Printing & Advertising	Printing & Advertising	13.44
106	John Elliott	Zoning Inspector & Exp.	Zoning Inspector & Exp.	15.80
107	A. J. Laux & Co.	"	"	1.08
108	Roswell P. Blauvelt	Office Exp.	Supervisor	15.93
109	Williamson Law Book Co.	"	Justice of the Peace	40.64
110	Kate Buchenau	Expense	Town Clerk	17.40
111	New City Hardware Store	Office Expense	"	.75
112	Louis J. Jung & Son	"	"	35.00
113	Hoyer's	"	"	.60
114	Mrs. Marantha Knapp	1 Extra Clerk	Rec. of Taxes	100.00
115	Kaplowitz & Alpert	Office Exp.	"	15.00
116	Florence Blauvelt	Comp. of Employees	Board of Appeals	42.50
117	New City Hardware Store	Other Exp.	Police	3.79

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118	Andrew Hoffman	Other Expense	Police	7.00
119	Walter Bovee	"	"	56.57
120	West Nyack Service Station	"	"	14.95
121	C. R. Jones, Jr., Inc.	"	"	52.40
122	Philip Rieber Co.	"	"	8.25
123	Eastman Kodak Stores, Inc.	Purchase of equipment	"	8.58
124	Samuel H. Handley	Office Exp.	Welfare Officer	15.32
125	Fred H. Steinmann	"	"	4.35
126	Aletha Brown	Veterans Relief	Veterans Relief	25.00
127	Koppleman's Kiddie Shoppe	"	"	7.40
128	West Nyack Service Station	Item #1	Highway	10.35
129	The Johnson Co.	"	"	237.60
130	New City Fuel Oil Co.	"	"	7.15
131	Crum & O'Brien, Inc.	Item #3	"	9.35
132	Nyack Auto Parts, Inc.	"	"	30.38
133	Driscoll Chevrolet, Inc.	"	"	2.20
134	Walter Hicks	"	"	48.42
135	John H. Jensen, Jr.	"	"	4,083.73
136	New City Hardware Store	"	"	50.37
137	Nyack Carburetor Sales & Service	"	"	11.15
138	Sosna Sales & Service, Inc.	"	"	3,085.46
139	Hutton-Johnson Co., Inc.	Item #4	"	17.15
140	Keahon Bros., Inc.	"	"	105.00
141	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	"	"	23.78
142	New York Telephone Co.	"	"	12.40
143	Walter Hicks	"	"	97.39

Mr. Schmersahl moved the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

Carried

Meeting adjourned until March 9th, 1945 at 3:30 P.M.

Kate Bushman
Town Clerk of Clarkstown

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