

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 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 read the minutes for the regular Board meeting held Feb. 9th.

Mr. Irion, who was present at the meeting, pointed out an error in the minutes. In that portion of the minutes referring to an airport, the distance it must be from a mountain is two miles and not four miles as stated in the minutes.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the minutes be adopted with the necessary correction.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Mr. Jacob Pesner, together with Mr. Hines and Mr. Irion, appeared before the Board regarding the proposed establishment of an airport in Rockland County. He told the Board that the Federal Government has set aside funds for an airport in this county, and that the county must be prepared to step in without delay. One of the prime factors which will hinder the establishment of the airport is the zoning ordinances now effective in Clarkstown, Ramapo, and Orangetown. With regard to Clarkstown, Mr. Pesner pointed out that there is nothing in the zoning ordinance that will permit the establishment of an airport within the township, and the C.A.A. has requested that the proper changes be made by the Town Board which will permit the erection of an airport should Clarkstown be chosen as the site. He said that he understands Ramapo and Orangetown officials have voiced approval to amending their respective ordinances should it be found necessary. Mrs. Pesner further presented to the Board a booklet compiled by the Shell Oil Co. which indicates that the Federal Government looks favorably upon the establishment of an airport in Rockland County. Mr. Pesner urged the Town Board to take the necessary action to amend the ordinance, as any restrictions or opposition to the proposed airport might mean its loss to Rockland County.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the Town Attorney be authorized to draw up the necessary papers to amend the Clarkstown Zoning Ordinance to permit the erection of an airport in Clarkstown.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling                      Carried

Mr. Irion told the Board that it was his understanding a bill would be introduced empowering the State to buy property so that when Sidewalks are built throughout the State, it would be at the expense of the State rather than the local communities. He asked if it would be possible to ascertain whether or not such a bill has been introduced in the legislature, and if it has been introduced just what chances there are in favor of its passage.

Mr. Dickenman moved that the Supervisor correspond with the State Senator and Assemblyman regarding a bill which would authorize the State to assume the cost of sidewalks when State roads are constructed, which would eliminate the establishment of Sidewalk districts, and further that the Supervisor advise both the Senator and Assemblyman that the Town Board of Clarkstown approves of this bill.

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

Mr. Hines reported to the Board that the Planning Board is making satisfactory progress on the fire district maps.

Mr. Blauvelt reported that Mr. Allison, County Engineer, has taken up the matter of the poles in West Nyack with the Rockland Light & Power Co. He said that Mr. Allison has staked out where the poles should go, and the company has agreed to move them.

Mr. Blauvelt reported that he had inquired about the Assessors being put in the Exempt classification. He told the Board that according to a letter received from Henry J. McFarland, Director of Municipal Service Bureau, New York State Dept. of Civil Service, the assessors have been placed in the unclassified service, and this means they are not subject to the rules of the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Dickenman moved the meeting be adjourned to go into Board of Health Meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling                      Carried



Mr. Schmersahl moved that the Supervisor be authorized to pay to the County Treasurer the sum of \$15,750.00 for the following town charges:-

Institutional relief for Children	\$350.00
Outdoor Relief	5,300.00
Non-Resident Relief	1,300.00
Town Charges in County Home	8,500.00
Lunacy Charges	<u>300.00</u>
Total	\$ 15,750.00

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

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter, signed by owners of property on Park Ave., Nanuet, objecting to the removal of the Park in the center of this street.

In the discussion that followed regarding the removing of the park Mr. Eberling indicated that he was under the impression the Board was doing the people on this street a favor when they instructed Mr. Klein to rebuild the road in such a manner that the snow could be properly removed. He further added that if the people wanted the park and were willing to face the possibility of an emergency occurring there when it would be impossible for either a fire truck or an ambulance to get in due to the condition of the road, then the Board might consider other action in the matter. However, as it now stands the Highway Dept. and the Town are responsible for the removal of the snow and the opening of the highway.

Mr. McIntyre told the Board that while he thought the park was very pretty, it certainly made it very difficult to remove the snow.

The other members of the Board agreed that the present condition of this road makes it extremely difficult to properly remove the snow.

Mr. Blauvelt suggested that perhaps the Highway Supt. could work out something with the property owners who have objected to the park's removal.

Mr. Klein told the Board he felt that perhaps the Supervisor could work out some solution, as the Board had directed him to rebuild the road.

There was no action taken to rescind the resolution previously adopted authorizing the Highway Supt. to remove the park.

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Senator Desmond, advising that the bill to make the term of office of the Town Clerk in Rockland County four years has been passed by the Senate. The bill will now go to the Assembly.

Mr. Blauvelt informed the Board that the lease on the police headquarters expires at the end of March. The Chief of Police has taken the matter up with the Nanuet National Bank, and they are agreeable to the continuation of the lease on the present basis. They have asked that the Town Attorney draw up the proper lease, which they will gladly sign.

Mr. Roepe, Town Attorney, was then directed by the Board to prepare the necessary lease for the police headquarters and forward it to the Nanuet National Bank for the proper signatures.

Mr. Blauvelt then presented a petition, signed by citizens and taxpayers of Clarkstown, petitioning the Board to accept and maintain as town roads Shady Brook Lane, Evergreen Lane, and Pine Lane in New City, and as more particularly shown on a map filed in the Rockland County Clerk's Office, dated Aug. 1937, made by O. G. Aselin, Engineer and Surveyor, and known as "Map of Knapp's Shady Brook Farm".

Mr. Klein, Supt. of Highways, when asked if these roads were in an acceptable condition, told the Board that according to the map filed with the petition, the roads in question are only 33 feet in width, and according to a resolution now on the minutes, all roads must be 50 feet in width before they can be accepted by the Town.

Mr. Dickenman moved that a copy of the resolution on the minutes, outlining the requirements for town highways be sent to the petitioners, and if they can comply with the provisions of the resolution, to so advise.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Mr. Blauvelt read a letter from Florence Jensen, urging a division of the Nanuet Election District. The letter was referred to Mr. Roepe, Town Attorney, and he was directed to draw all necessary papers for the formation of the new district, so that the Board can act on the same at the next meeting.

Mr. Dickenman presented to the Supervisor a refund from the Telephone Company amounting to 3¢ on a defense telephone, and in payment of same he presented a 3¢ stamp.

Mr. Klein then inquired if anything had been done about purchasing the acre of ground in back of the courthouse from the County.

Mr. Blauvelt told the Board that he understood the matter was still pending, as it has been impossible to secure a clear deed to the property.

On checking the minutes, it was found that a resolution has been already adopted by the Town Board to offer \$500.00 for the acre of land, and that as soon as the title is cleared, the matter will be taken care of.

Bills Nos. 144 to 203 on Warrant #3 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>
144	Mrs. Rose M. Leo	Rent	TOWN BOARD Town Hall & Offices	40.00
145	John C. Fajen	"	"	30.00
146	"	"	"	50.00
147	Nanuet National Bank	"	"	30.00
148	John Elliott	"	"	15.00
149	Coyle & Coyle	"	"	35.00
150	West Nyack Fire Engine Co.	"	"	20.00
151	Nyack Window Cleaning Co.	Repairs	"	6.00
152	Rockland Lt. & Power Co.	Light	"	2.30
153	"	"	"	5.50
154	"	"	"	8.24
155	Rockland Gas Co., Inc.	Heat	"	17.01
156	New York Telephone Co.	Telephone	"	8.68
157	"	"	"	9.20
158	"	"	"	21.05
159	"	"	"	7.25
160	"	"	"	14.10
161	The State Insurance Fund	Compensation	Insurance	1,116.56
162	George M. Edsall	Liab. 88.90 Fire & Theft <u>252.00</u>	"	340.90
163	"	Liability	"	3.39
164	"	"	"	1.22
165	John Elliott	Zoning Inspector & Exp.	Zoning Inspector & Expense	11.36
166	Excelsior Press	"	"	6.50

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167	Cunard Stationery & Printing Company, Inc.	Office Exp.	Supervisor	1.03
168	"	"	Town Clerk	37.89
169	Marantha Knapp	Extra Clerk	Rec. of Taxes	200.00
170	Katt & Stegmayer	Other Exp.	"	3.00
171	Florence Blauvelt	Comp. of Employees	Board of Appeals	8.25
172	"	"	"	3.75
173	Wagschals	Expense	Police	5.70
174	Walter Bovee	"	"	6.76
175	C. R. Jones, Jr., Inc.	"	"	2.00
176	William R. McDermott	"	"	25.00
177	Philip Rieber Co.	"	"	8.25
178	West Nyack Service Station	"	"	4.30
179	Galvin Mfg. Co.	Purchase of Equipment	"	300.00
180	Samuel H. Handley	Expense	Welfare Officer	12.86
181	Nyack Typewriter Exchange	Office Expense	"	4.50
182	Aletha Browne	Veterans Relief	Veterans Relief	25.00
183	Mt. Ivy Sand & Gravel Co., Inc.	Item #1	Highway	2.25
184	New York Trap Rock Corp.	"	"	4.00
185	West Nyack Service Station	"	"	20.91
186	West Nyack Trap Rock Co., Inc.	"	"	26.54
187	New City Fuel Oil Co.	"	"	39.78
188	The Johnson Co.	"	"	175.50
189	C. Schuler	"	"	14.10
190	Nanuet National Bank	Item #3	"	2,049.68
191	Jerry Normandeau	"	"	19.50
192	H. O. Penn Machinery Co., Inc.	"	"	12.23
193	Driscoll Chevrolet, Inc.	"	"	6.20
194	John J. King	"	"	168.84
195	P. Dickman & Son	"	"	5.85
196	Quackenbush Tire Shop	"	"	111.85
197	John H. Jensen, Jr.	"	"	5.00
198	New York Telephone Co.	Item #4	"	13.25

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199	Keahon Bros., Inc.	Item #4	Highway	130.20
200	John Schubert	"	"	8.35
201	E. Winifred Pitkin	Other Health Exp.	Board of Health	30.00
202	Billy Kearney	"	"	4.00
203	Emil Klein, Jr.	Item #4	Highway	48.28

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204	Christian S. Bardon	Town Hall	Construction & Permanent Improvements	600.00
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Mr. Eberling moved that the meeting be adjourned until Friday, March 16th, 1945 at 3:30 P.M.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Meeting adjourned.

Kate Buchanan

Town Clerk of Clarkstown