

## TOWN BOARD MEETING

JAN. 10TH, 1947

Town Clerk's Office

3:00 P.M.

Present: Mr. Schmersahl

Mr. McIntyre

Mr. Welchman

Mr. Eberling

Mr. Dillon

Mr. Dillon called the meeting to order.

Mr. Dillon brought to the Board's attention a letter from John J. Harrison, Veterans Welfare Officer, in which he requested that a 10% Cost of Living Allowance be granted to him. The Board decided to defer action in this matter until later in the meeting when the salaries of all Town Officers and employees would be set.

Mr. Trachtenberg, Town Attorney, told the Board that he had nothing definite to report regarding the claim of Kennedy Teale & Kennedy for their services in defending the Town in the action of Kischel vs. Town of Clarkstown.

Mr. Dillon reported that he had heard nothing further from the Civil Service Commission relative to the qualifications of the Building Inspector.

Mr. Trachtenberg reported that a hearing on the Spring Valley Sewer matter was set for January 20th, 1947 before the Referee at White Plains.

Mr. Dillon then read the Town Clerk's report, advising that bonds have been filed by all town officers who are required by law to do so, and that oaths of office have been filed by all elected officials.

Mr. Dillon then brought to the Board's attention the resignation of Theodore F. Meler from the office of School Director, thereby creating a vacancy in this office.

Mr. McIntyre nominated Beatrice Maskell for the office of School Director.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then declared that Beatrice Maskell was appointed to the office of School Director to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Theodore F. Meier.

Mr. Dillon then presented a letter from the Association of Towns in which they advise that the Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns will be held in Albany on Feb. 19th, 20th and 21st. Mr. Dillon asked the Board if they wished to designate someone to represent them at the Meeting.

Mr. Eberling moved that Charles McIntyre be appointed to represent the Town at the Annual Meeting of the Association of Towns, and that Joseph Welchman be appointed as alternate, and further that any Town officer who desires to attend this meeting be granted permission to do so.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmorsahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

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

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl                      Carried

After discussing matters pertaining to health in Board of Health Meeting, on motion of Mr. Schmorsahl, seconded by Mr. McIntyre and unanimously carried, the Board reconvened into regular Town Board Meeting.

Mr. Dillon then presented the reports of the following Town Officers covering the month of December, 1946:

- Supervisor's Report and Trial Balance
- Town Clerk's Report
- Welfare Officer's Report
- Veterans Welfare Officer's Report
- Building Inspector's Report
- Chief of Police's Report

Mr. Eberling moved that the reports be approved and accepted.

Seconded by Mr. McIntyre

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Eberling moved that mileage, not to exceed 6¢ per mile, be paid to the following town officers and employees for the use of their automobile in the performance of their official duties:

Welfare Officer  
 Receiver of Taxes  
 Veterans Welfare Officer  
 Building Inspector  
 Health Officer  
 Assessors  
 Dog Enumerator

Seconded by Mr. Welchman

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then appointed Mr. Schmersahl and Mr. Eberling on the Insurance Committee. Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Welchman were appointed on the Road Committee.

Mr. Eberling moved that Alphonse J. Schroeder be appointed Chairman of the Board of Assessors for a period of one year.

Seconded by Mr. McIntyre

On roll call, the vote of the Town Board as follows:

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then asked the Board what their pleasure was relative to designating an official newspaper.

Mr. Schmersahl then inquired if this could not be held up.

The Board then discussed the matter and conferred with the Town Attorney relative to the law governing the designation of an official newspaper.

Mr. Eberling moved that the Journal-News be designated as the official newspaper for the Town of Clarkstown.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Eberling moved that the Nanuet National Bank be named as the depository for the funds of the Supervisor, Town Clerk, Receiver of Taxes, Justice of the Peace and Building Inspector.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then read the report of the Town Clerk relative to the Insurance Policies carried by the Town, the Water and Light District Contracts, and the property rented and leased by the Town.

Mr. Dillon then read a letter from Theodore P. Meier, resigning his office of Justice of the Peace. Mr. Dillon told the Board that a vacancy now existed by reason of this resignation, and he asked if there were any nominations to be made.

Mr. Eberling nominated Stephen G. Doig for the office of Justice of the Peace.

Mr. Dillon then relinquished his chair as Supervisor to second the nomination of Stephen G. Doig for the office of Justice of the Peace. Mr. Dillon told the Board that it gave him pleasure to second Mr. Doig's nomination, as he filled this office for the greater part of last year and was defeated by only a small vote, as almost 50% of the vote favored his election. Mr. Dillon pointed out that Mr. Doig is qualified for the position, and that in addition he has his office in New City and is available 24 hours of the day.

Mr. McIntyre nominated Edward G. Roepe for the office of Justice of the Peace.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Roepe
Mr. McIntyre	Roepe
Mr. Welchman	Roepe
Mr. Eberling	Doig
Mr. Dillon	Doig

Mr. Dillon then declared Edward G. Roepe was appointed to the office of Justice of the Peace to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Theodore F. Meier.

Mr. Dillon then brought to the Board's attention the fact that when Frank W. Kemmer was appointed Welfare Officer his appointment was for the duration of the war. Mr. Dillon further told the Board that President Truman has issued a Proclamation declaring the war is over, and that a vacancy now exists in the office of Welfare Officer.

Mr. Eberling moved that Frank W. Kemmer be re-appointed as Welfare Officer of the Town of Clarkstown.

Seconded by Mr. McIntyre

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then declared Frank W. Kemmer was reappointed Welfare Officer.

Mr. Dillon told the Board that there was a vacancy in the Police Dept. and he asked Chief Liebert if he wished to make a recommendation.

Chief Liebert then told the Board that he would like to recommend a man who has had four summers of police experience at Bear Mt. He said that the man is William Rush, that he lives at New City, and only recently returned from service.

Mr. McIntyre moved that William Rush be appointed Patrolman in the Police Department, his salary to be \$2250.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Chief Liebert then told the Board that he had need for another man in his department and that he had sufficient money in his budget to take care of another patrolman. However, he said he wasn't ready to make any recommendation right now, but that he would wait until the police examination is held.

Mr. McIntyre brought to the attention of the Board a request he received relative to Forest Glen Rd. in Valley Cottage. Mr. McIntyre said that he understands some 2000 feet was finished, and that there is about 600 feet that has never been accepted. He asked why the 600 feet was never taken over.

It was decided to check this further and report at the next meeting.

Mr. Dillon then said that the Assessor would like to have a resolution passed authorizing them to get bids for the Assessment Rolls.

Mr. Welchman moved that the Board of Assessors be authorized to get bids for the 1947 Assessment Rolls.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl                      Carried

A recommendation was then received by the Board from the Nanuet Fire Engine Co. recommending fire police for the Nanuet Fire Dist.

Mr. Schmersahl moved that the following persons be appointed Fire Police in the Nanuet Fire Dist.

George Morgan, Capt.  
 Fred Schmersahl, Lieut.  
 Samuel Gunn, Patrolman  
 Charles Eberling, Patrolman  
 Ernest Muller, Patrolman

Robert Sleight, Patrolman  
 Peter Simpson, Patrolman  
 Dr. Irving Weisberg, Patrolman  
 Joseph T. Nagle, Sr., Patrolman  
 Harvey Lewis, Patrolman  
 McArthur Larr, Patrolman  
 Frank Kemmer, Patrolman  
 Paul Moschella, Patrolman  
 Donald Partridge, Patrolman  
 John Ryan, Patrolman  
 Edward Straub, Sr.

Seconded by Mr. McIntyre

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Klein, Supt. of Highways, then inquired who the members of the Road Committee were, and Mr. Dillon advised him that Mr. McIntyre and Mr. Welchman had been appointed on this Committee.

Mr. Klein then told the board that there will shortly be about eight miles of roads on private property which people will ask the Board to take over and maintain, and that there will not be sufficient money in the highway budget to take care of these additional roads. He further told the Board that in other townships in the county, roads must have more than a rough grading before they are accepted. He said that he would like to recommend that all roads in future be of water bound macadam with an oil top before the Board accepts them as Town roads.

After discussing the matter at length, the board decided that Mr. Klein and Mr. Trachtenberg should work out together the specifications for proposed roads to be taken over by the Town.

Mr. Dillon then read the pay roll of the Town, showing the salaries of the various Town officials and clerks.

Mr. Schmersahl moved that the salary of the Building Inspector be set at \$1,000.00 per year.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Schmersahl moved that the salary of the Veterans Welfare Officer be set at \$660.00 per year.

Seconded by Mr. Eberling

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Schmersahl moved that the salaries of all Town officials and employees be set as follows:-

PAYROLL

<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$ 360.00	Letitia Johnson	Janitress
180.00	Dollie Stiles	"
2000.00	Irvin F. Dillon	Supervisor
2310.00	Florence Blauvelt	Supv. Clerk
1320.00	Frederick K. Engels	Jus. of Peace
1320.00	Edward G. Roope	"
750.00	Charles Eberling	Councilman
750.00	Charles McIntyre	"
750.00	Fred Schmersahl	"
750.00	Joseph Welchman	"
2700.00	Cora M. Martling	Town Clerk
2200.00	Charles R. Adams	Sr. Acct. Clerk
1200.00	William Blanch	Assessor
1200.00	Frank Cook	"
1400.00	Alphonse J. Schroeder	"
3000.00	C. Elsie Haerle	Rec. of Taxes
1265.00	Lola Krausser	Sr. Acct. Clerk
1500.00	Jerome Trachtenberg	Attorney

PAYROLL (CONT.)

<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$ 3600.00	Walter N. Liebert	Police Chief
2850.00	Ernest Wiebicke	Sergeant
2550.00 P.T.	Carl Grando	Patrolman
2550.00	Frank Hochreiter	"
2550.00	John Jackomin	"
2550.00	Raymond Lindemann	"
2250.00	William M. Rush	"
2550.00	William Zielich	"
1200.00	Marjorie Hopper	Health Officer
1000.00	Joseph Mutinsky	Bldg. Insp.
2000.00	Frank Kemmer	Welfare Officer
660.00	John J. Harrison	Vets. Welfare Officer
1700.00	Margaret Keilly	Acct. Clerk

Seconded by Mr. McIntyre

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:-

Mr. Selmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Dillon then read the list of persons employed by the Town Supt. of Highways.

Mr. Eberling moved that the salaries of the Highway employees be set as follows:

HIGHWAY PAYROLL

<u>SALARY PER HR.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$ 1.05	Selden Stiles	Motor Equip. Operator
1.05	Vito J. Volino	"
1.10	Herbert Miller	"
1.15	Charles L. Campbell	"
1.10	Henry Fajon	Rd. Maintainer
1.00	Paul Stepbach	"
1.00	Frank Conklin	"
1.00	Thomas Marcico	"
.90	Selden Stiles, Jr.	"
.85	Robert Conklin	"

HIGHWAY PAYROLL (CONT.)

<u>SALARY PER HR.</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$ .85	Russell Schaeffer	Rd. Maintainer
.85	Fred Kirkman	"
\$60.00 per Mo.	Florence Blauvelt	Clerk
358.33 per Mo.	Emil Klein	Supt. of Highways
5.00 per Hr.	Truck & 2 men	

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Welchman then brought to the attention of the Board a complaint he received from a Mr. Knapp who resides in Congers to the effect that a street light near his home shone in his windows, and the glare from the light kept his children awake.

Mr. Dillon said that he had received similar complaints and that if Mr. Welchman could furnish the number of the pole on which the light was located, he would take the matter up with the Rockland Light & Power Company.

Mr. Eberling moved that the Chief of Police be authorized to purchase a new police car.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

On roll call, the vote of the Board was as follows:

Mr. Schmersahl	Yes
Mr. McIntyre	Yes
Mr. Welchman	Yes
Mr. Eberling	Yes
Mr. Dillon	Yes

Mr. Trachtenberg, Town Attorney, then advised the Board that he had a simple fire code for the Town. However, he said that there has been some discussion about including fire escapes in the ordinance.

In regard to the building code, Mr. Trachtenberg, told the Board that he had been able to find a model building code which is now in use in New Jersey.

The Board after discussing these matters, decided that the Town Attorney should get both proposed ordinances in proper form, so that the Board can review them.

Mr. Trachtenberg reported that he had heard nothing further regarding the traffic light at Valley Cottage.

Bills Nos. 1 to 61 on Warrant #1 were audited and ordered paid, amounting to \$3,089.58.

There being no further business, Mr. Eberling moved the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl

Carried

Meeting adjourned.

*Carol M. Martling*  
Town Clerk of Clarkstown