

TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 4, 1952

Town Clerk's Office

8:00 P.M.

Present: Mr. Schmersahl

Mr. Burleigh

Mr. Welchman

Mr. Fibble

Mr. Dillon

Mr. Dillon called the meeting to order.

Mr. Fibble moved that the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting be dispensed with.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

Carried.

Mr. Ralph Lombardi of New City came before the Board and requested a street light on Capral Lane.

The Town Clerk was instructed to check the New City Lighting District Map to determine if the street was within the boundaries of the lighting district.

Mr. William Furno of West Nyack came before the Board and asked if any further action had been taken on the petition to extend the West Nyack Water District.

Town Attorney Edward G. Roepe informed Mr. Furno that he had gone over the matter with Stephen G. Doig Jr., the Attorney for the Petitioners. Mr. Roepe said that the 1952 Budget did not provide for the proposed extension and it would have to be included in the 1953 Budget. Mr. Roepe asked Mr. Furno if the amount included in the petition was sufficient to cover all expenditures for extending the district.

Mr. Furno said that the amount should be sufficient since each hydrant had been estimated at \$45 per year and the three hydrants would total about \$135.

Mr. Roepe said that the petition should have a statement of the annual cost of the service.

Mr. Dillon informed Mr. Furno that the matter would be brought up at the next meeting on February 15.

Mr. Dillon reported that Bonds and Oaths of Office for all Elective Officials had been filed with the Town Clerk.

Mr. Dillon reported that a vacancy existed in the Planning Board due to the death of the Chairman, John Elliott.

No action was taken on the matter.

Mr. Dillon informed the Board that there were a number of appointments to be made.

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Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that O. T. Keyser, R. P. Blauvelt and Thomas S. Simpson be appointed as Assessors for the Town of Clarkstown for a two (2) year term beginning on January 1st, 1952 and ending December 31st, 1953, and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the salaries of R. P. Blauvelt and Thomas S. Simpson be set at \$1,800 per year.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Burleigh, Welchman, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that O. T. Keyser be appointed as Chairman of the Board of Assessors at an annual salary of \$2,000.

Seconded by Mr. Fibble.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Burleigh, Welchman, Dillon.

Mr. Fibble moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that Edward G. Roepe be appointed Town Attorney for the Town of Clarkstown for a two (2) year term beginning on January 1st, 1952 and ending December 31st, 1953, at an annual salary of \$3,000.

Seconded by Mr. Burleigh.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Burleigh, Welchman, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Schmersahl moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that Charles R. Adams, Jr. be appointed Deputy Town Clerk for the Town of Clarkstown and he is to perform the same duties prescribed by law for the Town Clerk during the latter's absence, and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment be made with no provision for compensation.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Burleigh, Welchman, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that August H. Hansen be appointed Registrar of Vital Statistics for the Town of Clarkstown for a term of two (2) years beginning on January 1st, 1952 and ending on December 31st, 1953.

Seconded by Mr. Fibble.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Schmersahl moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that mileage not to exceed 8¢ per mile be paid to the following Town Officers and employees for the use of their personal cars in the performance of their official duties:-

Welfare Officer	Assessors
Receiver of Taxes	Supt. of Highways
Building Inspector	Chief of Police
Dog Enumerator	

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Dillon appointed Mr. Welchman and Mr. Fibble as the Insurance Committee.

Mr. Fibble moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that the regular Town Board meetings be held on the second Friday of each month at 8:00 P.M. in the office of the Town Clerk, Main St., New City, excepting the regular meeting for the month of February, which will be held on the third Friday, February 15, 1952.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that the Journal News, Hudson St., Nyack, New York, be designated as the official newspaper for the Town of Clarkstown.

Seconded by Mr. Fibble.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Schmersahl moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that the Nanuet National Bank, Nanuet, New York, be designated as the official depository for all Town Funds deposited by the Town Clerk, Supervisor, Receiver of Taxes, Justices of the Peace and the Building Insp.

Seconded by Mr. Fibble.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

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Mr. Schmersahl moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that the Nanuet National Bank hold in escrow the amount of \$240,000.00 to cover deposits of the Town.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Dillon reported that the expiration date on all lighting contracts was October 19, 1955.

Mr. Dillon reported that all Water District Contracts were continuous in force at the pleasure of both parties.

Mr. Dillon reported that the following offices were rented on a monthly basis:

Town Clerk's Office

Supervisor' Office

Justices Court Rooms

Mr. Dillon informed the Board that a new lease was being prepared by Hutton Johnson Co. for Police Hdqtrs. and would be sent to the Board as soon as it was ready.

Mr. Dillon presented a report on all Insurance Policies carried by the Town.

Mr. Victor Smith came before the Board and asked if the Board had arrived at any opinion on taking roads over without the approval of the Supt. of Highways.

Town Attorney Edward G. Roepe informed Mr. Smith that the Town Board was within the law in taking over roads without the approval of the Supt. of Highways. He said that any resolution that was on the books in regard to minimum specifications could be suspended or modified.

Mr. Smith asked if the specifications had been suspended when the Knapp roads had been taken over.

Mr. Dillon stated that they had not been suspended.

A group of residents of Johnson Lane in New City came before the Board and asked if any decision had been reached in taking the road over.

Mr. Dillon said that the Board had made an inspection but that the road had been covered with ice and snow and it had been impossible to determine the condition of the road. He said that the Board would inspect the road again on January 6th, at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Dillon presented to the Board the list of tax monies paid him by the County Treasurer for 1951.

Mr. Dillon informed the Board that the Annual Conference of the Association of Towns would be held at Buffalo, New York, this year.

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Mr. Schmersahl moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that all Town Officials of the Town of Clarkstown be granted permission to attend the Annual Conference of the Association of Towns to be held at the Statler Hotel in Buffalo, New York, on February 6,7, and 8th, 1952, the expense to be paid by the Town.

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Burleigh moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that Supervisor Irvin F. Dillon be appointed as Delegate and Town Attorney Edward G. Roepe be appointed as Alternate to represent the Town of Clarkstown at the Annual Conference of the Association of Towns.

Seconded by Mr. Fibble.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Mr. Dillon presented the application of Joseph Bliss for a change of zoning of his property in Valley Cottage from "Residence A." to "Business B".

Mr. Welchman moved that the application be referred to the Town Attorney to be checked.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

Carried.

Mr. Dillon read a letter from the Spring Valley Water Co. informing the Board that a field survey would be made in regard to the town's request for the installation of two (2) hydrants on Route 59 in Nanuet.

Mr. Dillon read a letter from the State Building Code Commission informing the Board that the Commission would be glad to send a representative to discuss the Building Code with the Board.

The Board decided to hold a Special Meeting on January 25, 1952, at 8:30 P.M. in the Town Clerk's Office to discuss the Building Code.

The Town Clerk was instructed to write to the Building Code Commission and request that one of their representatives be present at the meeting.

Mr. Dillon read a letter from the Rockland Light & Power Company advising the Board that the light which had been requested for Fisher Ave. in Congers consist of a 1000 Lumens Lamp, 8 foot bracket with a No. 1 fixture.

Mr. Fibble moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that a 1000 Lumens Lamp with 8 foot bracket and No.1 fixture be installed on the Pole on the north side of Fisher Ave. 277 feet east of Pole No.4 on the west side of Friedn St., and,

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rockland Light & Power Company be requested to make the necessary installation as soon as possible.

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Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

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

AYES: MESSRS. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

A street opening permit for Giroux Bros. of Nyack was approved and signed by the Board.

Mr. Dillon presented the monthly reports of the following Town Officers:-

Supervisor	Welfare Officer
Town Clerk	Receiver of Taxes
Building Inspector	Police Department

Mr. Welchman moved that the reports be accepted.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

Carried.

Mr. W. H. Ackroyd-Kelly of Nanuet came before the Board. Mr. Kelly questioned the Board about a recent change of zoning which had been granted to Lederle Laboratories, Inc. He said that the change had been granted from "Residence B" to "Business B.", but that a large part of the property was also in "Residence A". Mr. Kelly asked how the Board could change the zoning from "Residence B" when the property was in both "Residence A" and "B".

Mr. Dillon informed Mr. Kelly that the Town Attorney would be instructed to check on the matter and report back at the next meeting.

Mr. Dillon presented the lists of salaries for Town officials and employees and Highway employees for the year 1952.

Mr. Fibble moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that the salaries of the Town Officials and employees and the Highway employees be set as follows:-

PAYROLL - 1952

<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$264.00	LETITIA JOHNSON	JANITRESS
262.00	DOLLY STILES	JANITRESS
2,500.00	IRVIN F. DILLON	SUPERVISOR
3,800.00	FLORENCE BLAUVELT	SUPV. CLERK
2,000.00	JOHN A STEFAN	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
2,000.00	CHARLES J. BLAUVELT	JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
1,100.00	RICHARD BURLEIGH	COUNCILMAN
1,100.00	JOSEPH FIBBLE	COUNCILMAN
1,100.00	FRED SCHMERSAHL	COUNCILMAN
1,100.00	JOSEPH WELCHMAN	COUNCILMAN
4,500.00	AUGUST H. HANSEN	TOWN CLERK
3,800.00	CHARLES R. ADAMS, JR.	SR. ACCT. CLERK
2,000.00	O. T. KEYSER	ASSESSOR

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<u>ANNUAL SALARY</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$1,800.00	THOMAS S. SIMPSON	ASSESSOR
1,800.00	ROSWELL P. BLAUVELT	ASSESSOR
4,500.00	C. ELSIE MONNERET	REC. OF TAXES
2,500.00	LOLA KRAUSSER	SR. ACCT. CLERK
3,000.00	EDWARD G. ROEPE	TOWN ATTORNEY
5,500.00	ERNEST WIEBECKE	CHIEF OF POLICE
3,600.00	FRED BRUNJES	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,600.00	JOHN COURTNEY	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,600.00	NORMAN GARDNER	POLICE PATROLMAN
4,300.00	FRANK HOCHREITER	POLICE SERGEANT
4,300.00	RAYMOND LINDEMANN	POLICE SERGEANT
4,300.00	WILLIAM ZIELICH	POLICE SERGEANT
3,200.00	JOHN D. MARTZ	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,400.00	FREDERICK ROHLOFF	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,200.00	RUSSELL R. SMITH	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,200.00	ANDREW THOMPSON	POLICE PATROLMAN
3,400.00	JOHN WESTERVELT	POLICE PATROLMAN
1,500.00	MARJORIE H. SICKLES	HEALTH OFFICER
4,000.00	JOHN M. JEFFREY	BLDG. & ZONING INSP.
2,600.00	MARGARETANN JAEGER	ACCOUNT CLERK
2,600.00	MARGARET REILLY	ACCOUNT CLERK
6,000.00	EMIL KLEIN	SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS

HIGHWAY PAYROLL-1952

<u>RATE PER HOUR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$1.60	HERBERT MILLER	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	VITO J. VOLINO	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	FRANK CONKLIN	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	THOMAS MARSICO	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	FRANK ZEHNER	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	ANDREW LAWRENCE	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	GEORGE KUCERA	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	GARLAND STROUD	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.55	HERBERT KLAIBER	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.45	FRED KIRKMAN	SKILLED ROAD MAINTAINER
1.30	PAUL STEPBACH	SKILLED ROAD MAINTAINER
1.30	RUSSELL SHAEFFER	SKILLED ROAD MAINTAINER
1.55	FRANK LAUDIERO	MOTOR EQUIP. OPERATOR
1.30	BRADLEY MOORE	ROAD MAINTAINER

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HIGHWAY PAYROLL - 1952 (con'td.)

<u>RATE PER HOUR</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>TITLE OF POSITION</u>
\$1.30	LOUIS KIRKMAN	ROAD MAINTAINER
1.30	HARRY ELDRIDGE	ROAD MAINTAINER
\$3,600.00 per year	HENRY FAJEN	DEPUTY SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS
85.00 per month	FLORENCE BLAUVELT	PART-TIME CLERK

Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon

NOES: None.

Mr. Dillon presented sealed bids for a new truck for the Highway Dept.

Mr. John H. Jensen, Jr. of Bardonia submitted two (2) bids on an Oshkosh truck. The first bid was on a Model W1700 Oshkosh for a total price of \$10,585 less \$1,175 trade-in on a 1924 Pierce Arrow, leaving a total cost to the Town of \$9,410.00. The second bid was on a Model W212 Oshkosh for \$8,016 less \$1,050 trade-in on the 1924 Pierce Arrow leaving the total cost \$6,966.00.

Mr. John J. King submitted two (2) bids on FWD trucks. The first bid was on a Model H.R. FWD for \$7,696 less \$1,200 trade-in on the 1924 Pierce Arrow leaving a total cost of \$6,496.00. The second bid was on a Model H.R.Y. FWD for \$8,197.00 less \$1,200 trade-in on the 1924 Pierce Arrow leaving a total of \$6,997.00.

Supt. of Highways recommended the purchase of the FWD truck since it was the heavier piece of equipment.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

WHEREAS, the Supt. of Highways did on the 28th day of December, 1951, duly recommend the purchase of certain equipment pursuant to Section 142 of the Highway Law, and notice of such recommendation has been duly published as provided in such action,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 142 of the Highway Law the Town Supt. of Highways is hereby authorized to purchase from John J. King with the approval of the County Supt. of Highways:

- 1- Model H.R.Y. Four Wheel Drive Truck with the following specifications:
GVW 25,000 lbs., Wheel base- 156", 6 cylinder engine, 404 cu. in displacement, 130 BHP Maximum, Tires 10.00 x 20, Heavy duty rear end axle, Flares, Reflectors, directional lights, marker lights, pintle hooks, spot light, heater and defroster, headlight brackets on cab, flasher light on cab, Air actuated brakes.

for a total price of \$6,997.00 delivered at New City, New York,

Seconded by Mr. Burleigh.

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

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AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Chief of Police Wiebecke presented to the Board a letter which he had received from Rockland Coaches, Inc., in regard to the Bus Stops in Nanuet. The letter stated that the Bus Co. was very dis-satisfied with the recent change of Bus Stops in Nanuet and insisted that it would prove very unsatisfactory to re-route the North bound Bus through Orchard St. to the Prospect Ave. stop.

Chief Wiebecke was instructed to review the Bus Stop situation and make a report at the next meeting.

Chief Wiebecke recommended that Vernon Matthews of Bardonia be appointed provisionally to the Clarkstown Police Dept. as Patrolman.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that Vernon Matthews of Bardonia, New York be provisionally appointed as Patrolman to the Clarkstown Police Dept. at an annual salary of \$3,200, the appointment to become effective on January 4, 1952.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Town Clerk August Hansen informed the Board that Fred Stiles, Dog Enumerator for the Town, had injured his leg and would be unable to continue the Enumeration in his District.

The Board instructed the Town Clerk to contact Mr. Draudt and have him finish the Enumeration.

Town Attorney Edward G. Roepe requested permission to attend a conference of the State Bar Association in regard to municipal problems. He said that the conference would be held at New York City on January 24th and 25th.

Mr. Welchman moved the following resolution:-

RESOLVED, that Town Attorney Edward G. Roepe be granted permission to attend the conference of the State Bar Association in regard to Municipal problems on January 24th and 25th, 1952, at New York City, the expense to be paid by the Town.

Seconded by Mr. Schmersahl.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Bills Nos. 1 to 71 in the amount of \$30,343.43 on Warrant #1 were audited by the Board and ordered paid.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Mr. Schmersahl moved adjournment.

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Seconded by Mr. Welchman.

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

AYES: Messrs. Schmersahl, Fibble, Welchman, Burleigh, Dillon.

NOES: None.

Meeting adjourned.

August H. Housen
Town Clerk of Clarkstown