

State of New York  
County of Seneca  
Town of Covert

Dec.21,1970

Special meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Covert held Mon.  
Dec.21,1970 at 7:30 P.M. in the Fire Rooms, Interlaken, N.Y.

Members present; Swanson, Rankin, Smith, Hunt, Mount.  
Also present; Braden, Walden, Fitzpatrick, M. McCheyne, N. Ike,  
also D. Waide & Bob Brown.

Four members of a Local Snowmobile Club asked the Board what they intended to do about a local snowmobile ordinance, and or the possibility of opening some of the Town Roads to snowmobiling. After some discussion the Board decided to table this matter until the State decided what they intended to do.

Mr. Hunt moved that the Board accept the resignation of Leo Braden as Town Assesor as of Dec. 31, 1970, Seconded by Mr. Mount, Carried.

Mr. Smith moved that The Board appoint Albert Austic as Town Assesor for the year 1971, seconded by Mr. Mount, carried.

Sup. Swanson announced that ~~we~~ The Town Board would have a special meeting on Dec.29, 1970 to discuss the appointment of a Town Hgy. Supt. due to the ~~death~~ of Morris Brown our present Hgy. Supt.

Mr. Smith moved that the following resolution be adopted, seconded by Mr. Rankin, Unanimously carried:

✕ WHEREAS: The Town Board of Covert desires to specify a code of conduct for Town of Covert employees and officials known as the Town of Covert Local Code of Ethics, and

WHEREAS: Pursuant to the provisions of Section Eight Hundred Six of the General Municipal Law, The Town Board of Covert Recognizes that there are rules of ethical conduct for public officers and employees which must be observed if a high degree of moral conduct is to be obtained and if public confidence is to be maintained in our unit of local government, and

WHEREAS: It is the purpose of this local Code of Ethics to promulgate these rules of ethical conduct for the officers and employees of the Town of Covert. These rules shall serve as a guide for official conduct of the officers and employees of the Town of Covert,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD that under the Town of Covert Local Code of Ethics, every officer or employee of the Town of Covert shall be subject to and abide by the following Standard of Conduct:

1) Gifts: The officer or employee may not directly or indirectly solicit, receive or accept any gift having a value of \$25.00 or more in any form or in any case where it could ~~be~~ reasonably be inferred that the gift was intended to or could influence him in the performance of his official duties.

2) Confidential Information: He shall not disclose confidential information acquired by him in the course of his official duties or use such information to further his personal interests.

3) Representation Before One's Own Agency: "He Shall not receive, or enter any agreement, expressed or implied," for compensation for services to be given in relation any matter before any municipal

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agency to which he belongs.

4) Representation Before Any Agency For A Contingent Fee: He will not make agreement for ~~any~~ compensation for services to be rendered in relation to any matter before any agency of this municipality, where the compensation ~~is to be dependent upon any action~~ by such agency.

5) Disclosure of Interest in Legislation: "To the extent that he know therof," the Town official or employee shall publicly disclose on the official record the nature and extent of any direct or indirect financial or other private interest in such legislation.

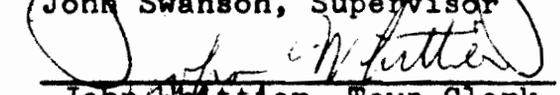
6) Investments in Conflict with Official Duties: No investments must be held which creates a conflict of interest ~~with~~ his official duties.

7) Private Employment: The official or employee may not engage in private employment which creates a conflict of interest or impairs the proper discharge of his official duties.

8) Distribution of Code of Ethics: The Clerk of the Town Board of Covert shall cause a copy of this Code of Ethics to be distributed to every officer and employee of the Town of Covert within 10 days after the effective date of this Resolution. Each officer and employee elected or appointed thereafter shall be furnished a copy before enterin upon the duties of his office, or employment.

9) Penalties: In addition to any penalty contained in any other provision of law, any person who shall knowingly and intentionally violate any of the provisions of this code may be fined, suspended or removed from office or employment, as the case may be, in the manner provided by law.

On the motion of Mr. Rankin , meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

  
John Swanson, Supervisor  
  
John Whittier, Town Clerk

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~~\*\*\*\*\*~~ Special meeting of the Town Board of The Town of Covert held Tues. Dec. 29,1970 at 7:30 P.M. in the Fire Rooms, Interlaken, N.Y.

Members present: Swanson, Hunt, Mount, Smith, Rankin.  
Also Present: Leo Braden, Duane Waide, & John Peck.

Sup. Swanson reported that the County held a special hearing on a snow mobile ordinance, and nobody appeared, so the County was not going to take any action at this time, which seems to be a good position for the Town to take at this time.

Mr. Rankin moved, seconded by Mr. Smith ,that the Town Highway Supt. Be given a \$500. ceiling of money that he is allowed to spend without authorization of the Board,unanimously carried.