

The January 8th adjourned meeting of The Board of Representatives was called to order at 8:00 P.M., on Monday, January 15, 1951, at the Burdick Junior High School.

Mr. Pierson called the roll with 32 present and 8 absent with 3 members arriving late making the final attendance 35 present and 5 absent.

Mr. Joseph Carlin, newly elected member of the Board of Representatives from the 16th District, was sworn in by the President.

Samuel Pierson, President, read from the Charter Revision Committee report and called on those members of the public who wished to be heard.

Section 700, 707.1:

Speaking against the Committee recommendation were Mrs. Paul Moser, President of the Stamford Teachers' Association; Mr. D. Trinkaus, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of Stamford Education Association; Michael Nagurney, Thomas F. Clear, James F. Strout, and Senator Vincent Giampietro.

Section 204.3 and section 740:

Mr. Francis McGuiness, of the Stamford Police Association, requested that the last sentence be amended to make the pay retroactive.

Section 482: In opposition, Mr. Joseph Chanko, President of the Stamford Good Government Association.

Section 484.1: In opposition, Mr. Samuel Gordon.

Section 484.1: Eugene Gordon, Legislative Chairman of the Citizens School League, requested that "superintendent of schools" be added to this provision.

Section 503.1: In favor, William Lynch.

Bill for enabling act for establishing an individual parking authority:

In favor, Alfred Barrett, of the Coordinating Committee of Traffic and Parking.

Bill to unify the Police Department:

In favor, Gerald Kilmartin, President of the Stamford Police Association, and James Strout.

Section IV - Proposal to permit the Board of Representatives by a 3/4 (or 2/3) vote of its entire membership, to increase or restore appropriations decreased or eliminated by the Board of Finance, up to the amount originally requested by the Mayor:

In favor of the 3/4 vote: Joseph Chanko, of the Stamford Good Government Association; Eugene Gordon, of the Citizens School League; Alfred Barrett, of the Coordinating Committee of Traffic and Parking.

Section IV - A proposal to change the basis of compensation of the Town Clerk upon succession of a new incumbent:

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In favor, Joseph Chanko, Stamford Good Government Association; Mrs William P. Marts, League of Women Voters.

Section IV - Proposal for the revision of the fiscal calendar:

In favor, Joseph Chanko, Stamford Good Government Association.

Section IV - Proposal to permit Board of Education to make its own purchases:

In favor of Committee recommendation, Eugene Gordon, Citizens School League.

The public hearing was brought to a close.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED for a ten minute recess, seconded by Michael Laureno, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

Samuel Pierson, President, read the ordinance concerning Thomas L. Page (#3 of the Supplement):

BE IT ORDAINED by Stamford, that

Sec. 1. The City of Stamford is authorized to pay to Thomas L. Page of Stamford in recognition of his long service as a Sanitary Inspector with the Department of Health and in consideration of his advanced age and ill health, during the term of his natural life, an annual sum, payable monthly, equal to one-half of his present annual salary, and upon his death to his widow until her death or remarriage. No such payments or pension shall receive or be entitled to receive compensation under the provisions of the General Statutes relating to Workmen's Compensation for any injury said Thomas L. Page may have received while in the employ of the City of Stamford, arising out of and within the scope of his duties.

Sec. 2. Said pension shall become operative upon the retirement of said Thomas L. Page.

Sec. 3. This ordinance to be effective shall be subject to the provisions of the Charter of the City of Stamford.

Mr. Leon Staples, 7th District, MOVED the enactment of the ordinance, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED that the Code of Ordinances be sold in the office of the Board of Representatives for \$1.00 each, seconded by Michael Laureno, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

Leon Staples, 7th District, reported for the Health and Protection Committee in which it was recommended that the maintenance of the parking meters must be improved and that it is useless to extend the parking meter service until we are better able to administer what we now have. He stated that about \$2,500 must be invested in spare parts. The Committee opposed appropriating any more funds for parking meters until all meters for which appropriations have been made are repaired and installed. In relation to Mr. Shepherd's resolution regarding traffic on Noroton Hill, the Committee suggested that the road be patrolled in its entirety and that traffic regulations be uniformly enforced.

Robert Shepherd, 9th District, MOVED that a copy of this report be sent to the Mayor and Chief of Police, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

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Leonard DeVita, 5th District, MOVED that we adjourn this meeting as soon as Section I of the Charter Revision Committee report was complete or at 11:30 P.M., whichever came first, until 8:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 23, 1951, at Burdick Junior High School, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

The following action was taken on the Charter Revision Committee report:

Section 21 - Add at the end of the last sentence a clause reading "however, in the absence of any such designation by the Mayor, the person responsible for calling the meeting shall designate the place thereof". PASSED.

Section 120 - Removed from Omnibus Bill.

Section 202 - Defeated.

Section 202.4 - Delete the present wording and substitute "the Board of Representatives shall be empowered to adopt rules of order and to amend them". PASSED.

Section 203 - In line 5 change "may" to "shall". PASSED.

Section 204.1 - Add after the word "resolutions" in the next to the last sentence the words "making appropriations". PASSED.

Section 303 - Amended to read "delete the word 'appointive' from the first sentence". PASSED.

During the discussion of this item the question was raised concerning the requirements for the Mayor to notify the President of the Board of Representatives of his absence from Stamford.

John Cameron, 20th District, spoke in favor of this as an ordinance rather than a charter amendment, therefore, Leon Staples, 7th District, MOVED that this matter be referred to the Legislative and Rules Committee, seconded by Louise Seeley, and CARRIED.

Section 303.1 - Consolidate this section with Section 304.7.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED that this matter be recommitted to the Charter Revision Committee, seconded by Robert Shepherd, 9th District, and CARRIED.

Section 400 - Insert "personnel department". PASSED.

Section 405 - Substitute "Within the limitation imposed by the provisions of Chapter 73 or by ordinance, any board or the head of any department except the chiefs of the police and fire departments shall have the power to appoint, with the appropriations made therefor, any assistants and employees deemed necessary for the conduct of the board or department, as the case may be." PASSED.

Section 410 - Insert "Subject to the provisions of Chapter 73" at the beginning of the second sentence. PASSED.

Section 411 - Insert "Subject to the provisions of Chapter 73" at the beginning. PASSED.

Section 412 - After "schools" insert "(3) and maintenance of public beaches;" and change following paragraph numbers to (4) and (5) respectively. At the end of (1) add "the maintenance of bridges, the operation, maintenance and use of storm sewers, the removal and disposal of street sweepings".

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Section 414, passed - Under (1) and (2) delete "street sweepings".

Under (3) delete "storm sewers". PASSED.

Section 415 - In (1) delete "and the issue of permits therefor as provided in the building division under his supervision." PASSED

Section 416 - After first sentence insert "He shall be responsible for issue of permits in connection with the erection, construction and alteration of buildings and other structures, and in connection with electric wiring and plumbing installations or alterations". PASSED.

Section 422, amended to change the word "eligible" to "licensed", and PASSED.

Section 431 - Change "not more than thirty-five years of age" to "not have attained age thirty-six". PASSED.

Section 441 - Make a change similar to that made in Section 431. PASSED

Section 443 - Change "city tax area" to "former city tax area". PASSED.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED we adjourn until January 23, 1951 until 8:00 P.M. in the Burdick Junior High School, seconded by Joseph Zdanowica, 13th District, and CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Babette Ransohoff, Clerk