The regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held Monday, August 2, 1954 at the Burdick Junior High School Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by President George V. Connors at 8:15 P.M.

Invocation was given by Mr. Benjamin Crisler, First Reader of the First Church of Christ Scientist of Stamford.

Roll call was taken by the Clerk. There were 29 present and 11 absent. The absent members list as follows: Joseph Caputo, Mary J. Bankowski, Patrick J. Scarella, Samuel Picciallo, Martin Cash, Sr., Frank LiVolsi, Phil Couther, Thomas Killeen, Katherine Kaminski, Dr. Dolan, and John Cook. The following members arrived later changing the final roll call to 6 absent, 34 present: Mary Bankowski, Patrick Scarella, Frank LiVolsi, Samuel Picciallo, and Dr. Dolan.

George Connors presented the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 30, 1954 and the regular meeting of July 12, 1954 for adoption.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED that the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 30, 1954 be accepted, seconded by William Kaminski and CARRIED.

Helen Bromley MOVED that a correction be made on Page 737 of the July 12, 1954 minutes, 2nd paragraph, fourth line, changing the word "I" to "she" before "earnestly MOVED".

William Kaminski MOVED acceptance of minutes of July 12, 1954 as corrected, seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk. CARRIED.

Fiscal Committee

Rutherford Huizinga MOVED that the Resolution for the Bond Issue covering $2,331,100.00 of the Capital Projects 1954-1955 which was sent to each member of the Board be considered for approval. This was approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting on July 26, 1954.

Irving Snyder MOVED to dispense with the reading of the Resolution inasmuch as it had been sent to each member, seconded by Hayes Hoyt and CARRIED.

The Bond Resolution was then brought to question, seconded by Thomas Topping and Carried UNANIMOUSLY, 31 members voting yea. (31 members was the total present at the time of this vote.)

Resolution #182 - Bond Issue for $2,331,100.00 covering the Capital Projects Program for 1954-1955.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 630 of the Charter, as amended by section 6 of Special Act number 290, approved May 19, 1953, this Board has received a written request from the Mayor, approved by the Board of Finance, to authorize bonds to finance all of the Capital Projects contained in the Capital Budget for the current fiscal year, except such projects as are to be paid for with funds raised by current taxation.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. There be and hereby is authorized, under and pursuant to the Charter of the City of Stamford and any other general or special statute thereto enabling, the issue and sale from time to time of general obligation, coupon serial bonds of the City of Stamford in an aggregate principal amount of Two Million Three Hundred Thirty-One Thousand One Hundred ($2,331,100.00) Dollars for the purpose of paying for capital projects, consisting of the several public improvements or other municipal works of a permanent character and the improvement of land taken for the purpose of such improvements or municipal works, all as hereinafter more fully described. Each of said capital projects is included in the duly adopted capital budget for the current fiscal year and reference is hereby made to said capital budget for a more complete description of the particular projects hereinafter designated. The said capital projects and the extent to which they are to be financed with the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized are as follows:

Department of Public Works

Sanitary Sewer Construction
- West Main Street
- Bedford Street - Hoyt Street

Storm Drains Construction
- Springdale
- North Glenbrook
- Bedford Street - 6th Street to Urban Street

Department of Public Safety

New Headquarters Building Construction

Board of Education

School Construction
- Springdale School Addition

Urban Redevelopment

East Meadow Street Project

Cove Island and Adjacent Properties

Estimated cost of acquiring Cove Island and adjacent properties (park, recreational and other municipal purposes)

Total -

2. Said bonds shall be issued in the name of and upon the full faith and credit of the City of Stamford and shall be issued in the manner and in the principal amount that the Board of Finance may prescribe from time to time.

3. Each of the capital projects hereinbefore described and contained in the capital budget for the current fiscal year is hereby confirmed as a duly authorized capital project of the City of Stamford.
FURTHER RESOLVED:
That with respect to any issue of the bonds hereinbefore authorized as to which the Board of Finance shall have determined the principal amount and the manner of sale, there be and hereby is authorized, under and pursuant to Public Act No. 467 (1953), the City Charter and any other authority thereunto enabling, but within such limitations as may be imposed by resolution of the Board of Finance, the making of a temporary loan or loans by the issue and sale, from time to time, as funds may be required, of temporary notes or notes of the City of Stamford in anticipation of the money to be received from the sale of such bond issue and the renewal of the same by the issue and sale of a temporary renewal note or notes, provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of temporary notes or renewal notes at any one time outstanding shall never exceed the principal amount of the bond issue, in anticipation of which such notes were issued, and provided, further, that the date maturity, rate of interest or discount, the form, manner of sale and other particulars of such temporary notes or renewal notes shall, within such limitations as may be imposed by law or by resolution of the Board of Finance, be determined by the Commissioner of Finance with the approval of the Mayor.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

1. Paul Plotkin MOVED that the Ordinance re Door to Door Solicitation be approved as published with the deletion of Section 6, covering Permit Fee and requested renumbering of sections because of this deletion to 6, 7, 8 and 9 from 7, 8, 9 and 10. Motion seconded by Stephen Kelly.

There was considerable discussion on this ordinance. Alanson Fredericks asked that the following be made part of the minutes: "A discussion was had as to whether the terms goods, wares and merchandise were intended to cover insurance policies and the feeling was that it did not". Irving Snyder asked that the following be mentioned in the minutes. "It is the intent of this Board that this ordinance shall cover vendors of burial certificates".

Question on the Motion brought to the floor and CARRIED by a vote of 31 yeas, 1 nay.

Ordinance #38 Supplement "Concerning Solicitation in the City of Stamford"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD:

Section 1. Permit Required. It shall be unlawful for any person over 16 years of age, to solicit orders of purchase for future delivery of any goods, wares and merchandise, including magazines and other printed matter, from door to door or on any street or highway within the City of Stamford, without first obtaining from the Controller of the City of Stamford a permit to be known as a "solicitor's Permit".
Section 2. The "solicitor's permit" provided for in Section 1 hereof shall be in the possession, at all times, of the person so soliciting and shall be exhibited by him upon the request of any police officer of the City of Stamford or any purchaser or prospective purchaser. Said "solicitor's permit" shall not constitute a permit to enter privately policed areas.

Section 3. Application for Permit. Every person requiring a "Solicitor's Permit" shall make application in writing to the Controller of the City of Stamford by filing with said Controller an application in the form provided by him and containing the following information:
(a) the name, home address and local address, if any, of the applicant;
(b) a physical description of the applicant, setting forth the applicant's age, height, weight, color of hair and eyes;
(c) the name and address of the person, firm or corporation for whom or through whom orders are to be solicited or cleared;
(d) the nature of the goods, wares or merchandise for which orders are to be solicited;
(e) a statement as to whether the applicant has been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor, and if so, what;
(f) a statement as to the period during which the applicant intends to solicit orders.

The applicant at the time of executing said application shall also submit identification satisfactory to the Controller and containing a specimen of the applicant's signature.

Section 4. Permit Form. The "solicitor's permit" shall be in a form provided by the Controller of the City of Stamford and shall contain the following information:
(a) the name, home address and local address, if any, of the applicant;
(b) a physical description of the applicant, setting forth the applicant's age, height, weight, color of hair and eyes;
(c) the name and address of the person, firm or corporation for whom or through whom orders are to be solicited or cleared;
(d) the nature of the goods, wares or merchandise for which orders are to be solicited;
(e) the expiration date of the permit.

Section 5. Issuance and Duration of Permit. The Controller of the City of Stamford shall upon application as set forth above issue a "solicitor's permit" for a period not to exceed one year; provided however, the Controller shall not be required to issue a "solicitor's permit" to any person who shall have been convicted of any crime or misdemeanor without first obtaining from the Chief of Police of the City of Stamford his endorsed approval. The Controller may suspend, pending trial, any "solicitor's permit" issued to a person charged with violation of any provision of this ordinance and the Controller shall immediately revoke any "solicitor's permit" issued to a person found guilty of violation of any provision of this ordinance.
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Section 6. Any person soliciting an order of purchase for future delivery of goods, wares and merchandise within the City of Stamford shall conduct himself at said times in an orderly and lawful manner and shall give a written receipt, signed by the solicitor, of all orders so taken. Said receipt shall set forth a brief description of the goods, wares and merchandise ordered, the total purchase price thereof, the amount of down payment received by the solicitor from the purchaser and the approximate date of delivery.

Section 7. Violations and penalties. Each order solicited in violation of the provisions of this ordinance for any false statement or misrepresentation of fact for the purpose of obtaining a "solicitor's permit" shall be deemed a separate offense and shall be subject to a fine of not more than twenty-five (25) dollars.

Section 8. Exemptions. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to salesmen selling goods to retail or wholesale stores or to professional or industrial establishments.

Section 9. This ordinance shall be effective fifteen (15) days after adoption and publication in a daily newspaper in the City of Stamford.

2. Paul Plotkin, Chairman, stated the committee recommended that the Ordinance re Permit Fee for Gas-Fired Burner be approved with the addition of the following wording: "for central heating boilers and furnaces", after the word "gas-fired burner". This above change did not appear in the ordinance proposed for publication. Motion was seconded by Doris Zucker and CARRIED by 32 members voting yea.

ORDINANCE #39 SUPPLEMENTAL

An Ordinance re Permit Fee for Gas-Fired Burner

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Stamford that Ordinance #8 Supplemental, Paragraph 1, amending the Building Code of the City of Stamford, be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

1. By including in Appendix E, Construction Permits and Fees, a fee of $2.00 for a permit for installation of an oil or a gas-fired burner for central heating boilers and furnaces.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

3. Paul Plotkin, Chairman, stated the committee recommended adoption of the ordinance re Horizontal Distances Around Boilers, Etc, as published with the following change: Add "up to a maximum distance of four feet" after the words "minimum distance of eighteen inches" appearing in the second sentence. Paul Plotkin MOVED adoption with this change, seconded by Dwight Marshall and CARRIED by 31 members voting yea, 1 member voting nay.
ORDINANCE #40 SUPPLEMENTAL - RE HORIZONTAL DISTANCE AROUND BOILER, WARM AIR FURNACES OR OTHER HEATING DEVICES

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Stamford that Article XI, Section 1101, paragraph 1, sub-section (b) of the Building Code of the City of Stamford be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

(b) The horizontal clear distance from combustible material, including plaster on combustible base, for all types of boilers, furnaces and heaters shall be not less than a minimum of eighteen inches in all directions from such boiler. All wood lath and plaster and other combustible ceilings and beams, over and for a minimum distance of eighteen inches up to a maximum distance of four feet in all directions from such boiler shall be shielded with approved metal or other approved fire resistive materials. The distance from the top of the boiler, furnace or heater to the said shield shall not be less than eighteen inches and shall be well ventilated.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

4. Urban Redevelopment Commission

Paul Plotkin, Chairman, MOVED for suspension of previous publication in accordance with Section 204.1 of the Charter inasmuch as the proposed ordinance is an emergency, seconded by William Murphy and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Corporation Counsel stated that although the members had been duly elected and such letters were on record, an ordinance or resolution covering that initial formation of the commission was not made and was a requirement by Bonding Counsel in Boston.

Paul Plotkin MOVED for adoption of this ordinance, without prior publication, seconded by Doris Zuckert and CARRIED by 30 members voting yea, two members voting nay.

ORDINANCE #41 SUPPLEMENTAL

An Ordinance Creating the Urban Redevelopment Commission

BE IT ORDAINED by the City of Stamford that:

Sec. 1. There is hereby created the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission under the provisions of and in accordance with Chapter 55 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, revisions of 1949, as amended.

Sec. 2. The members of the Urban Redevelopment Commission shall be appointed and shall hold office as provided in said statutes. Members heretofore appointed and now serving shall continue in office during the terms for which they have been previously appointed.
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Sec. 3. The Urban Redevelopment Commission shall have all of the powers and duties of a redevelopment agency as set forth in said statutes.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

Paul Plotkin submitted a Resolution ratifying, approving and confirming acts of the Urban Redevelopment Commission and MOVED its adoption, seconded by Edward Hoyt.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED that the motion be amended to read: "all acts which required the approval of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford".

Patrick Scarella MOVED to hear from Corporation Counsel, seconded and CARRIED.

John Hanrahan, Corporation Counsel, stated it was necessary to adopt the resolution as submitted, as requested by bond counsel; inasmuch as the Urban Redevelopment Commission had to this time been acting as agents and were covered by State Statutes of limitations.

Alanson Fredericks withdrew his amended motion.

Hayes Hoyt MOVED for approval of the Resolution as read, seconded by Thomas Topping and CARRIED by a vote of 51 yeas, 1 nay.


WHEREAS, there has been duly appointed and confirmed the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission under the provisions of and in accordance with Chapter 55 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, revisions of 1949 as amended; and

WHEREAS, this Board has from time to time approved certain actions of said Urban Redevelopment Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed advisable to formalize all acts previously taken by the duly constituted City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that all acts of the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission taken prior to the enactment of this resolution are hereby ratified, approved and confirmed and said acts shall have the same force and effect as if the ordinance creating said Agency had been adopted prior to the appointment of the Commission on August 7, 1950.
5. **Heliport**

Paul Plotkin, Chairman, stated the Committee felt that the lease of City property to the Airways for a Heliport involved a policy making decision and should be made by the entire Board rather than the committee, since the elimination of this property will affect the property formerly used for circuses and carnivals.

James Mulreedy MOVED that a public hearing be called on this matter, seconded by Doris Zuckert.

Thomas Topping MOVED that this matter be recommitted to Committee, seconded by Patrick Hogan.

Robert Lewis MOVED to amend this motion to also refer same to Health and Protection Committee and Welfare and Recreation Committee for a full report at the next meeting of the Board.

Amendment was accepted by Thomas Topping and Patrick Hogan.

William Murphy amended the Motion to recommit it to committee who should set a date for the public hearing. The Chairman ruled this amended motion out of order inasmuch as it was telling the committee what to do.

The question on Mr. Topping's motion as amended was voted upon and CARRIED by a vote of 24 - 9.

6. **Building Lines - Summer and Bell Streets**

William Kaminski, seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk, that Corporation Counsel John Hanrahan be heard on this subject. CARRIED.

Corporation Counsel stated that Chapter 64, Special Assessments of the Charter in reference to Building Lines would more specifically refer to Section 640 stating that it must have the approval of the Mayor.

Robert Lewis MOVED that a Committee be appointed to meet with the Mayor, Planning Board and Board of Finance on this subject, seconded by George Russell and CARRIED.

7. **City-Owned Property on Rockledge Drive**

Paul Plotkin, Chairman, stated that inasmuch as two parties were interested in the purchase of this property, the committee recommended that no action be taken by the Board and that the lot be held for auction when the sale of City-Owned property is called.

8. **Quit Claim Deed from Edward J. Ballo to City of Stamford**

Paul Plotkin reported that the committee was still checking on this and would report at the next meeting.
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9. Communication from Mrs. Zuckert

Paul Plotkin stated that this report confines itself to the problem of cooperation with the Board of Finance. George Connors, seconded by George Russell, moved that a liaison committee be appointed to meet with the Board of Finance.

William Kaminski moved that same be referred to steering committee for discussion after which a liaison committee can be appointed. Seconded by Samuel Picciello and carried.

George Connors read a letter from Mr. Wachten of the Planning Board outlining procedure of sales bonds on developments and roads; also method of releasing said bond. James Muirread moved that a copy of this letter be mailed to each member of the Board for his information. Seconded by Edward Ryba and carried.

Patrick Scarella moved that we hear from Mr. Sherman Hoyt, seconded by William Kaminski. Motion defeated.

Alanson Fredericks moved for a ten minute recess, seconded by William Murphy. Motion defeated.

George Connors read a letter from Doris Zuckert changing the meeting place of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Representatives.

Irving Snyder moved that same be referred to the steering committee for discussion and appointment of committee to check into this request for a new meeting place, seconded and carried.

Planning & Zoning Committee

William Murphy read the committee report recommending approval of Gray Farms Road, Thunder Hill Drive and Shady Lane as public highways, moved, seconded by Edward Ryba, George Russell and Rutherford Huizinga. Carried.

Streets approved:

Gray Farms Road - 2200' from Newfield Ave. to Haig Ave.
Thunder Hill Drive - 1900' from Riverbank Road westerly to that portion already accepted as a public highway.
Shady Lane - 850' from Erfer Road northerly to Merrilland Road.

Welfare and Recreation Committee

Stephen Kelly, Chairman, stated that owners of cars who have taken temporary residence in Stamford may receive a sticker for their car allowing them to park at the local beaches and parks by applying to the Board of Recreation providing their temporary residence is bona fide.
Frank LiVolisi MOVED that the Welfare & Recreation Committee and the Board of Recreation take under advisement the possibility of providing the proper facilities for a shell for the public concerts as well as proper parking at such events, seconded by Irving Snyder and CARRIED.

Steering Committee Report

George Connors submitted the report and a copy of same is on file at the office of the Board of Representatives. The one matter particularly noted was a letter from Mr. Holahan, Chairman of the Board of Finance, stating that a letter would be sent by the Board of Finance 24 hours after a meeting to the Board of Representatives certifying to action taken by the Board of Finance on matters concerning the Board of Representatives. The request for meeting dates of the Steering Committee and Fiscal Committee has been sent to the Board of Finance—namely the last Tuesday before the first Monday of any month for the Steering Committee; the meeting date of the Fiscal Committee one or two days after the Steering Committee meeting date.

Helen Bromley MOVED that the Steering Committee report be accepted, seconded by David Waterbury and CARRIED.

Paul Plotkin MOVED that the September meeting date of the Board of Representatives be September 13, 1954 instead of September 6, 1954 which is Labor Day, seconded by Helen Bromley and CARRIED.

Helen Peatt stated that the Picnic Committee had met and had decided the picnic should be held on Sunday, August 29, 1954 at Webster Givens Farm where the last several picnics were held. A letter to Webster Givens thanking him for allowing the Board to hold the picnic at his farm was read. The price of tickets will be $3.50 each or $7.00 for the family. Helen Peatt asked that tickets be bought in advance so that the committee would have some money to work with.

William Murphy left at this time having asked permission to do so.

Communications from the Mayor

George Connors read a resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Apply for State Aid for Schools. Resolutions adopted by the Board on May 3, 1954 were inadequate and the Board of Education, Hartford, Connecticut requested that this resolution be adopted by the Board.

Helen Bromley MOVED suspension of the Rules to consider this resolution, seconded by Robert Lewis and CARRIED.

Robert Lewis MOVED approval of the resolution, seconded by Stephen Kelly and CARRIED, 33 members voting yea.

Resolution #184 - State Aid Grant for Roxbury Elementary, Westover, Katherine T. Murphy and Springdale Elementary Schools.
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

It does hereby authorize Thomas F. J. Quigley, Mayor of the City of Stamford, to apply to the State Board of Education, State of Connecticut, for state aid and further authorizes said Mayor to accept or reject such state aid grant in the name of the City of Stamford on the following school building projects:

- Roxbury Elementary School
- Westover School
- Katherine T. Murphy School
- Springdale Elementary School

George Connors read a letter from Commissioner Hill of Hartford and Mayor Quigley asking the Board to express themselves with regard to a viaduct and construction of a road under the railroad at Pacific when the Thruway is being built. The Mayor expressed the feeling that this opening at Pacific Street should be done when the Thruway is being built but that the City of Stamford should be allowed to take advantage of such an opening when physically able to do so.

William Kaminski MOVED that the Board of Representatives go on record as condemning the action of the Planning Board and the Mayor in respect to connecting Pacific Street by a viaduct under the railroad and their actions as taken up with the State Highway Commissioner in a request for a viaduct under the Thruway at that point, seconded by Doris Zucker. CARRIED.

Patrick Fortunato MOVED that same be referred to the Appointments Committee for a report at the September meeting, seconded and CARRIED.

Some discussion followed the resubmission of Mr. Sotire and the interpretation of the Charter, and its possible need for change of wording for clarifications.

Paul Plotkin MOVED that a special Charter Revision Committee be appointed to draft such measures, seconded by Norton Rhoades and CARRIED.

PETITIONS

Petition #175 - North Stamford Settlers' Day - September 11, 1954

Stephen Kelly MOVED, seconded by Rutherford Huizinga, that permission be granted North Stamford Settlers' Day Committee to hold their annual affair on September 11, 1954. CARRIED.
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Petition #174 - Stamford Recreation Boxing Club.

Stephen Kelly MOVED that permission be granted to the Stamford Recreation Boxing Club to hold a carnival on the Ridge Avenue grounds from August 23 - August 28, 1954, stimulating that a bond acceptable to the Corporation Counsel will be furnished, proper police protection and that ordinances governing such a carnival will be lived up to. This was formally to be held July 23 - July 27, 1954 at the Springdale Fire Department property but because of failure in the generating plant, same had to be postponed. Motion was seconded by Vincent Vitti and CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS

George Connors read a letter from Homcraft Builders re. "Home for All America" which will be open for inspection from August 28 thru September 19 located on Hoytsc Road off of High Ridge Road asking permission to place several direction signs along the route from the city.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED that a member of the Board be appointed to check into such inquiries, thereby avoiding the necessity of the entire Board, seconded by Stephen Kelly and CARRIED.

Stephen Kelly MOVED for suspension of the Rules to take action at this time since time is the essence, seconded and CARRIED.

Stephen Kelly MOVED that permission be granted to Homcraft Builders to erect such signs, with approval of the Police Department, seconded by Edward Ryba and CARRIED.

Wright Technical School

George Connors read a letter from the Manufacturers' Council re passing of a resolution at a recent meeting of the Executive Committee regarding the need for a new J. M. Wright Technical School in Stamford.

Irving Snyder submitted a resolution reaffirming this need and MOVED its approval, seconded by Rutherford Huizinga and CARRIED.

Resolution #185 - Endorsing the need of retaining the J.M. Wright Technical School in Stamford.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that the future industrial, social and employment welfare of the City require that the J. M. Wright Technical School remain in Stamford, and inasmuch as it is necessary that the City of Stamford acquire suitable land for a new school in order to qualify for State funds to construct and operate said school, and the Board of Representatives hereby declares its desire to have the J. M. Wright Technical School remain in Stamford and requests the Mayor immediately to take such steps as are deemed necessary and prudent to acquire a suitable site and to report thereon to the Board of Representatives.
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and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Board of Finance and to the Planning Board with the request that each of such Boards expedite the Mayor's acquisition proposal to the end that the land involved may be acquired and made available for use in the immediate future.

Jack McLaughlin reported that he has checked and found that several comic books are being sold on Stamford newsstands that are immoral and definitely out of the comic class and very unfit for children to read.

Rutherford Huizinga MOVED that a full report be submitted by Mr. McLaughlin and that same be referred to Health & Protection Committee, seconded and CARRIED.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED to adjourn, seconded and CARRIED. The meeting adjourned at 11:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alphonse C. Jachimczyk
Clerk
Note to file: There is no duplicate page as indicated above.