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The regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, January 10, 1955 at the Walter Dolan Junior High School Cafeteria at 8:00 P.M. The meeting was called to order by Alphonse C. Jachimczyk, Clerk at 8:10 P.M.

Alphonse Jachimczyk called for nominations for temporary President stating that Mr. Connors would be absent.

Helen Bromley nominated William Kaminski as temporary president, seconded by Thomas Topping. Samuel Picciallo moved that nominations be closed, seconded by Joseph Milano. Hayes Hoyt MOVED that Alphonse Jachimczyk cast one vote endorsing the appointment of William Kaminski as temporary president.

Invocation was given by Reverend Raymond C. Hess of the Evangelical Congregational Church.

Roll call was taken by the Clerk. There were 34 present, 6 absent. Those absent list as follows: Joseph Caputo, Martin H. Cash, Sr., David Waterbury, George Connors, Thomas Killeen and Katherine Kaminski.

William Kaminski submitted the minutes of December 6, 1954 for acceptance stating that the secretary submitted the following corrections, typed in by the mimeograph department in error, for consideration:

On Page 780, 3rd paragraph, change 5 absent to 9 absent.
On Pages 783 and 784 delete the following wording on both pages "Dated this ___ day of, etc. through Thomas F. J. Quigley, Mayor".
On pages 789 and 790 delete the following wording on both pages "Respectfully submitted - Paul A. Plotkin, 9th District Representative".

Alanson Fredericks MOVED for a correction on Page 790, third line inserting the work "five" before "man commission", seconded by Helen Peatt and Carried.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED that the minutes of December 6, 1954 be accepted as corrected, seconded by Doris Zuckert and CARRIED.

Fiscal Committee

Samuel Picciallo, temporary chairman, submitted the committee report who fully concurred on the approval of the following items:

Samuel Picciallo MOVED approval of an additional appropriation of \$945.00 for a new check signing machine requested by the Finance Department, seconded by Vincent Vitti and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 34 members voting yea.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED the approval of \$5,242.61 for Code 430.17 Maintenance of Cars, and \$186.76 for Code 430.17A Oil as an additional appropriation requested by the Police Department, Seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk.

Irving Snyder Moved that the Board act on both items collectively, seconded by Edward Ryba.

Question brought on the Motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 34 members voting yea.

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Samuel Picciallo MOVED approval of an additional appropriation of \$43,951.86 for Code #41.15 Water Supply - Hydrants as requested by the Fire Department and in accordance with the new rate recently approved by the Public Utilities Commission. Motion seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk.

Robert Lewis MOVED that Mr. Morrissey be heard on this subject, seconded by Barbara Winsor. CARRIED.

Mr. Morrissey stated that this sum was brought about by the new increase allowed by the Public Utilities Commission on the inch rate charge prevalent in other cities. This would probably have been much more if Mr. Mackler had not represented the City of Stamford. Mr. Mackler, Attorney and member of the Board of Finance, did this on his own without remuneration or expense money. He stated he did not know if an appeal could be made at this late date.

Robert Lewis MOVED that the Legislative & Rules Committee institute action to appeal the rate increase that was granted the Water Company to ascertain if it is not possible to obtain a better rate for the future.

Alanson Fredericks stated that to empower the Legislative & Rules Committee to appeal is a little out of order, and MOVED to amend Mr. Lewis' motion to read that the Legislative & Rules Committee investigate as to the advisability or the possibility of an appeal and report.

Robert Lewis accepted the amendment and withdrew his motion to reword it.

Robert Lewis MOVED that the Legislative & Rules Committee investigate as to the possibility and advisability of an appeal to obtain a better rate for the future from P.U.C. on the Stamford Water Company and submit their findings, seconded by Irving Snyder and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Paul Plotkin MOVED that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Isadore Mackler for giving of his time and services with reference to the hearing on the water rate increase, seconded by Norton Rhoades and CARRIED.

Motion on the original question brought to the floor and the \$43,951.86 was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 34 members voting yea.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED approval of the additional appropriation of \$1200. for a new pump for Fire Truck #1 covering installation of an entire hydraulic system on this truck thereby prolonging the use of the truck for about five years, seconded by Helen Bromley and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 34 members voting yea.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED approval of an additional appropriation totaling \$4,966.85 covering the various accounts as requested by the Fire Department:

\$150.	Code 440.3	Office Supplies
280.	Code 440.5	Telephone
600.	Code 440.15B	Gas & Electricity
882.	Code 440.18	Gen'l Repair to Buildings
3054.85	Code 440.25	Uniforms
Total		\$4966.85

Motion was seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, 34 members voting yea.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED approval of an additional appropriation of \$7,200. to set up libraries at Westover and Roxbury Schools. Average cost of stocking books for the library at \$2.00 a copy would cost \$13,000. averaging 5 books per pupil. The difference between \$7,200. and \$13,000. is to be borne over the next two years.

Legislative & Rules Committee

Paul Plotkin MOVED Suspension of the Rules to add to the Agenda for consideration at this meeting the transfer of \$10,000. of Excess Bond Issue from Springdale School Addition to K. T. Murphy School Addition, seconded by Alanson Fredericks and CARRIED by 30 members voting yea or a 2/3 majority of those present.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED to hear from Mr. Nolan of the Board of Education on this matter, seconded by Paul Plotkin. Motion defeated.

Paul Plotkin MOVED to hear from Corporation Counsel John Hanrahan re the Board of Representatives taking action prior to the Board of Finance, seconded by Samuel Picciallo. Wardham Collyer MOVED to amend the motion to also hear from Mr. Morrissey. Amendment accepted by Mr. Plotkin, and amended motion brought to question and CARRIED.

Considerable controversy followed with regard to the Board of Representatives acting prior to any action by the Board of Finance. Corporation Counsel was rather hesitant in expressing his rulings. Paul Plotkin stated both Boards were of equal cognizance and therefore could see no reason for awaiting action of the Board of Finance, since it would entail building delays.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED to close debate, seconded by Alphonse Jachimczyk and CARRIED.

Paul Plotkin MOVED approval of the Resolution covering transfer of \$10,000. of bond issue in the Capital Budget 1954-55 from Springdale School Addition to K. T. Murphy School Addition subject to the approval of the Board of Finance, seconded by Barbara Winsor and CARRIED by a vote of 29 yeas, 4 nays.

Resolution #191. Be it resolved that the Board of Representatives approve the transfer of \$10,000. of bond issue in the Capital Budget 1954-55 from Springdale School Addition to K. T. Murphy School Addition subject to the approval of the Board of Finance.

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Paul Plotkin MOVED approval of two following ordinances as published in the legal notices of the Stamford Advocate, and read as follows, seconded by Alanson Fredericks and CARRIED 34 members voting yea.

Ordinance #44 Supplemental - Changing the name of a portion of Lawton Avenue to Sleepy Hollow Lane.

"BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD that the name of that portion of Lawton Avenue running northerly and westerly from Knapp Street to a dead end for a distance of approximately 795' and shown on a certain map entitled "Map showing property known as Black Swamp to be conveyed to the City of Stamford", on file in the office of the Town and City Clerk of the City of Stamford and there numbered 4965, is hereby changed to Sleepy Hollow Lane."

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

Ordinance #45 Supplemental - Changing the name of Bedford Place to Dolsen Place.

"BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD that the name of that street known as Bedford Place be and is hereby changed to Dolsen Place."

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

Thomas Topping MOVED that a letter be sent to Mr. Dolsen telling him of the change from Bedford Place to Dolsen Place; also inform him that the street had been named in honor of him. Motion was seconded by Doris Zuckert and CARRIED.

Paul Plotkin submitted an ordinance re changing Stillview Road to Blueberry Drive requesting that same be approved for publication and considered for adoption at next month's meeting.

Considerable discussion followed on what portion of the road was to bear the change of name, inasmuch as the road apparently appears as two portions on the map and no specification was made in the ordinance. The map also shows that the name is Stillview Drive.

Samuel Picciallo MOVED, seconded by Thomas Topping to recommit to committee. Motion defeated.

Irving Snyder MOVED to close debate on question of recommital seconded by Alanson Fredericks. Carried.

Paul Plotkin MOVED that Stillview Road running south from Blueberry Drive to intersection of Pond Road to be changed in name to Blueberry Drive and be approved for publication and consideration for adoption at the February meeting, seconded by Helen Bromley and CARRIED.

Change of Name of Stillview Road to Blueberry Drive described as follows:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD that the name of that street known as Stillview Road be and is hereby changed to Blueberry Drive.

Cowing Place

Paul Plotkin submitted a resolution for consideration and approval reading as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES that the mayor be requested to furnish the Board with engineering estimates of the cost of construction of the proposed extension of Cowing Place and with estimates of the cost of acquisition of land for the proposed extension, seconded by Jack McLaughlin.

Norton Rhoades states that as 16th District Representative, he knew that the residents on Cowing Place were definitely opposed. In view of the fact that an alternate road had recently been proposed Mr. Rhoades MOVED to amend the motion to read "or an alternate road" after Cowing Place.

Considerable discussion followed on the involvement of the City of Stamford for street lines under Section 640 and 641 of the Charter.

Rutherford Huizinga MOVED that same be recommitted to committee, seconded by Irving Snyder. Carried by a vote of 23 in favor, 11 opposed.

Comic Books

Consideration has been given by the committee to present a bill to the General Assembly in Hartford banning the sale or publication of immoral, obscene comic books which would be detrimental to the education of our children.

Helen Bromley MOVED that the Charter Revision Committee be added to the Agenda and heard at this time, seconded by Thomas Topping and CARRIED.

Charter Revision Committee

James Mulreed, Chairman, stated that he would make a synopsis of the nine bills to be presented. James Mulreed MOVED that the bills be mimeographed and distributed to each member of the Board, City Clerk's Office for public review and other organizations who may request copies; that a public hearing should be arranged in regard to these bills within 10 days of this meeting and immediately after the public meeting the Board could convene and take action on the proposed bills, seconded by Thomas Topping.

Irving Snyder amended the motion that no discussion is to be made by members of the board on the synopsis of bills presented. Amendment accepted by Mr. Mulreed and Mr. Topping and CARRIED.

Mrs. Bromley stated that the Advocate had mentioned that the Mayor was submitting a number of bills to the General Assembly and felt that in view of the appointment of the Charter Revision Committee and the Board being the legislative body of Stamford, she felt that the mayor should cooperate and submit his bills to the committee for review before submission.

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Irving Snyder MOVED that a Public Hearing of the proposed bills be held January 21, 1955 and grant permission to the Board to adjourn to a later date if necessary. Meeting to be held at Walter Dolan Junior High School, at 8:00 P.M.

Hayes Hoyt MOVED to amend the motion that we leave the Chair and the Charter Revision Committee, if he so desires, to find the proper meeting place on January 21, 1955.

Amended motion accepted by Irving Snyder and seconded by Rutherford Huizinga and CARRIED.

Public Works Committee

Thomas Topping, Chairman, submitted the committee report covering the drainage problem on Culloden Road; Neponsit Street; progress of construction work on roads at Longview Park and storm flood control drain at South End costing \$18,000, or \$13,000. less than appropriated; progress of bridge on Bridge St. and storm drain on Alton Road and Pine Hill Avenue.

Irving Snyder MOVED that the report of the Public Works Committee be accepted, seconded by Edward Ryba and CARRIED.

William Kaminski stated that the following appointments were being made to committees of the Board of Representatives and had been confirmed by the President as follows:

Thomas Killeen - Fiscal Committee replacing Patrick Scarella

Joseph Milano -- Appointments Committee replacing Rose Ann Sheridan

James Mulreed MOVED Suspension of the Rules to hear Mr. Morrissey re schedule on proposed Civil Defense Ordinance covering disability expenses inasmuch as Mr. Morrissey had been requested to appear this evening:

Mr. Morrissey said it was practically impossible to submit a schedule inasmuch as figures were not available on such an approximation. However, he stated he would endeavor to check present police and firemen costs from medical expenses paid in the last two years which might help to formulate some kind of a picture, but certainly not a true one.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED to continue with next order of business, seconded by Stephen Kelly and CARRIED.

Steering Committee

William Kaminski read the report and same is on file in the office of the Board of Representatives. Helen Bromley MOVED to accept the report, seconded by Rutherford Huizinga and CARRIED.

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Alanson Fredericks spoke about a petition he had presented re acceptance of Jessup St. and Stark Place. Mr. Fredericks was reminded that roads are only approved between April 15 to October 15 of any given year. Irving Snyder moved that same be referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee, seconded by Alanson Fredericks and CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

A letter from the Mayor dated January 6, 1955 to Rev. John P. Mc-Nerney, Malcolm Taylor, Harold Rider, John H. Pratt, Jr., and Mrs. Hilda S. Clarke who were chosen for the five man commission to effect steps to prevent industry from Moving Out of Stamford in accordance with Resolution #190 adopted by this Board on December 6, 1954 was read.

Considerable discussion followed since apparently no member from the labor group had been appointed.

Frank LiVolsi MOVED that the commission be increased to 8 members and that a man from the I.A.M., C.I.O. and C.L.U. be appointed seconded by Vincent Vitti.

James Mulreed stated the Mayor had ignored the request of appointing a representative for labor and he felt sure that labor would not take it lightly. Hayes Hoyt stated that the odd number is used on such boards and commissions usually.

Frank LiVolsi withdrew his motion in lieu of a new motion. Frank LiVolsi MOVED that the appointments commission be increased to 7 members, the two additional to be labor representatives, seconded by Vincent Vitti.

Considerable discussion followed on the wording with the suggestion that the Board of Representatives recommend to the Mayor instead of demanding.

Wardham Collyer MOVED to amend the motion to read "The Board of Representatives recommend to the Mayor that" the commission be increased to 7 members and further recommend that the two additional appointments be labor representatives. Vincent Vitti withdrew his second unless the word recommend be used. Frank LiVolsi would not accept the amendment and a heated argument ensued. William Kaminski ruled Mr. LiVolsi out of order. Mr. LiVolsi asked for an appeal of the decision of the Chair.

Paul Plotkin took the Chair to take a vote on Mr. Kaminski's ruling. The Board agreed with the ruling of the Chair. Mr. Kaminski returned to the Chair.

Stephen Kelly MOVED that the Mayor be requested to increase this commission to 7 members and recommend that these two members be labor representatives, seconded by Vincent Vitti and CARRIED.

William Kaminski read several letters from the Mayor submitting names for appointments to various Boards and Committees as follows:

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Joseph DeJewski, 93 Hope St., Republican, as member of the Board of Tax Review to replace Mr. Banken. Term will expire December 1, 1959.

John Allison, 1201 Stillwater Road as member of the Urban Redevelopment Commission, term to expire December 1, 1959. He will replace Mr. DeLuca whose term has expired.

P. Lawrence Epifanio, 75 Plymouth Road, Republican as member of the Planning Board replacing Sherman R. Hoyt. Term expires December 1, 1959.

Joseph K. Sherman, 40 Strawberry Hill Court, Republican, as reappointment to the Zoning Board. Term expires December 1, 1959.

Joseph T. McCue, Jr., 1070 Main Street, Democrat, as member of the Zoning Board to replace John E. Sotire. Term expires December 1, 1958.

Dr. Frank J. Sproviero, 1911 Summer Street, Republican, as reappointment to the Board of Taxation. Term expires December 1, 1959.

Edward J. Wojciechowski, 9 Pulaski Street, Democrat as member of the Welfare Commission to replace Harry C. Smith. Term expires December 1, 1957.

Thomas P. Cassidy, 758 Snippan Avenue, Democrat as reappointment to the Parking Authority. Term expires January 1, 1958.

Robert F. Crosswaite, 96 Turner Road, Republican, as member of the Board of Recreation to replace Frederick M. Petersen. Term expires December 1, 1959.

Michael J. Sweeney, 221 Strawberry Hill Ave., Republican, as reappointment to the Sewer Commission. Term expires December 1, 1959.

William Troy, Revere Drive, Democrat, as member of the Sewer Commission to replace Dr. John G. Moore. Term expires December 1, 1956.

Linsley A. Pettit, 62 Turner Road, Democrat, as reappointment to the Hubbard Heights Golf Course Commission. Term expires December 1, 1959.

John J. Morris, 86 Belltown Road, Republican, as reappointment to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Term expires December 1, 1959.

William Kaminski also read a letter from the Mayor stating that the following appointments had been made. These appointments do not require confirmation or vote of the Board of Representatives according to the Charter as it now reads.

Personnel Commission

Herbert C. Rice (Republican) He will replace Thomas E. Larke
318 Sound View Ave. East Term will expire December 1, 1955

John E. Sotire He will replace John J. McMahon
646 Hope Street (Democrat) Term will expire December 1, 1957

City of Stamford Housing Authority

Michael J. Nagurny (Democrat) Reappointment.
76 Hope Street Term will expire October 1, 1959.

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William S. McMenemy (Republican) He will replace Michael Maddaloni.
79 Fairview Avenue Term expires December 1, 1955.

Walter F. Seely (Republican) He will replace Arthur G. Seaman.
1630 Summer Street Term expires December 1, 1959.

PETITIONS - Petition #180 - Permission requested to place heart fund signs in Bedford Park, Central Park, Davenport Park and St. John's Park for the 1955 annual fund drive by Stamford Heart Assoc., Inc.

Stephen Kelly MOVED, seconded by Wardham Collyer, that permission be granted the Stamford Heart Association, Inc. to place heart fund signs in the aforesaid parks. CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS

Irving Snyder stated that a letter had been received from the committee re: choosing a site for the Wright Technical School stating that the 18.5 acres of Woodside Park, checked and approved by the State as a satisfactory site, was also approved by them. Mr. Snyder submitted a resolution of some length for the adoption of this site for the J. M. Wright Technical School, together with qualifying details and information and MOVED its adoption, seconded by Helen Bromley.

James Mulreed questioned the 18.5 acres being taken away from the park area, but was assured that most of it was presently unused land, parts of it being marshy that would require filling in.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED that Hayes Hoyt and Phil Coulter be permitted to abstain from voting on this motion. CARRIED.

The motion was brought to question and CARRIED by a vote of 31 yeas, 2 members abstaining namely Hayes B. Hoyt and Phil Coulter.

"RESOLUTION #192 - Re: J. M. Wright Technical School Site

WHEREAS the present J. M. Wright Technical School, because of rapid growth during the last few years, has completely outgrown its present buildings and facilities and is no longer able to serve technical and vocational needs of the City of Stamford and surrounding areas, and the State of Connecticut will build a new modern technical school of adequate capacity to serve the needs of the City of Stamford and surrounding communities, and,

WHEREAS a new modern technical school will be an invaluable asset to the community, will train young men and women in trades which will make them valuable not only for existing industrial and service establishments, but will also provide a source of trained personnel for new industries moving to the community, and,

WHEREAS a new technical school to be build, equipped, staffed, and maintained by the State will result in considerable economic benefit to the City of Stamford, as compared to the present situation where the City now must pay approximately \$15,000 per year for heat, light, janitor service, etc., in addition to providing a building for the

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present technical school free of cost to the State, and in view of the fact that a new technical school which will accommodate up to 1000 students would further relieve public schools of the City of Stamford and because, if the school should be relocated in another community, the City would have to pay transportation costs of the students, and because the City will realize a considerable sum of money from the sale of the building now housing the technical school, and,

WHEREAS authorities of the State of Connecticut have given priority to building new technical schools in communities where a site for such a school has been provided by the City, and since there is a possibility of the J. M. Wright Technical School being relocated in another community if a suitable site is not provided for the building of a new technical school,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the City of Stamford acquire and present to the State a suitable site for a new J. M. Wright Technical School, this site to be 18.5 acres on the west side of Woodside Park as shown on a map prepared by the Planning Board for the Committee for a new J. M. Wright Technical School. This area has been described as completely suitable and acceptable by officials from the State Department of Education and has also been given favorable consideration by the Planning Board of the City of Stamford.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that this site is recommended for this use as the best available property in the City of Stamford for the following reasons: (1) the area is accessible by public and private transportation and yet is so located that there will be no resulting traffic congestion due to persons using the school; (2) use of such property for the technical school will not remove valuable and potential tax producing property from the grand list of the City; (3) the topography of the land is ideal for school use, and sewers are already installed on the property which will relieve the City of any major sewer construction work; (4) use of this property for a technical school will improve the property and will convert the part of the property which has never been cleared for park purposes into an attractive school campus area; (5) athletic fields and play areas, and a gymnasium with shower and dressing rooms will be included in the school buildings and such facilities will be made available for the use of City recreational purposes, under the supervision of the City Board of Recreation. There is ample room in other areas of the park for the location of the two ball fields not situated on the property proposed for the new J. M. Wright Technical School; (6) since Woodside Park now contains slightly over 68 acres and the proposed site consists of 18.5 acres, which are now only partially used for park purposes, there will be ample park area remaining to serve the needs of those who now use Woodside Park. In addition the Cove Island property is now available for development as park area and if it is developed will provide a large number of acres of park for the use of residents of the City. Funds derived for the sale of the existing J. M. Wright Technical School may well be used toward developing the Cove Island area, and granting of the Woodside Park site to the State of Connecticut for establishment of the J. M. Wright Technical School will make it possible for Stamford to retain the school without incurring further debt for this purpose."

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NEW BUSINESS

Rutherford Huizinga stated that the cause of a death on the highway in their district through motor vehicle collision was due partly to high brush and shrubbery obstructing the view.

Rutherford Huizinga MOVED that the president of this Board write a letter to Commissioner Albert G. Hill in Hartford requesting that existing brush and shrubs now located on state highway property be removed immediately from street corners where they constitute a hazard to life and property, seconded by Stephen Kelly and CARRIED.

Alanson Fredericks MOVED to adjourn, seconded by Thomas Topping. CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at 1:20 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alphonse Jachimczyk, Clerk