

A regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Thursday, September 15, 1960, in the Cafeteria of the Dolan Jr. High School, Toms Road, Stamford, Connecticut. The meeting was broadcast over Radio Station WSTC.

This meeting had been originally scheduled for Monday, September 12, 1960, but due to hurricane "Donna" was postponed to the later date.

The meeting was called to order at 8:08 P.M. by the President, John R. Nolan.

INVOCATION: Rev. Stanley F. Hemsley of St. John's Episcopal Church, who had been scheduled to give the Invocation, was unable to be present, due to a prior commitment and the change of meeting date.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 29 present and 11 absent at the calling of the roll. Several members arrived shortly thereafter, changing the roll call to 35 present and 5 absent. Absent were: Georgoulis, Murphy, Palmer, Reback & Baker.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of August 8, 1960
Meeting of August 15, 1960

The Minutes of the meeting of August 8, 1960 were accepted, with a correction on page 2869, second paragraph, third line, where it states: "He said they concurred..." Mr. Ivler requested that the word "concurred" be corrected to read "conferred".

The Minutes of the meeting of August 15, 1960 were accepted, there being no corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

MR. NOLAN, President, presented the following report of the Steering Committee:

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING Held Monday, August 29, 1960

The Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives held a meeting in the Court Room, City Hall, on Monday, August 29, 1960.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. by the Chairman, John R. Nolan.

Present were: John Nolan, Chairman; Peter Sileo, Clyde O'Connell, Rutherford Huizinga, Daniel Reback, Mrs. Eleanor Austin, George Russell, William Ivler, John DeForest and Paul Callahan. Absent were: Messrs. Shapero, Henry Nolan, Daniel Baker, Steve Kelly, Bernard Geronimo and William Murphy.

The following matters were discussed and action taken:

(1) Approved List of Architects for City:

Mr. Ivler brought this matter up for discussion. REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE to investigate and report back.

(2) Selection of Site for Proposed Housing Project for Senior Citizens

A letter dated August 21, 1960 from Mrs. Katherine H. Leonard and Mrs. Anne B. Cunningham, was read, protesting against the decimation of Woodside Park for a future housing site for the proposed housing project and referring to a petition disapproving same which was presented the same evening to the Board of Finance. As this site was turned down by the Board of Finance, it will not come before the Board of Representatives for action. FILED.

(3) Concerning Acceptance of PEPPER RIDGE PLACE as a City Street.
Also recommendations for new resolutions for acceptance of Wood Ridge Drive South, Bridle Path and Three Lakes Drive

Letter from Commissioner of Finance, dated August 23, 1960, concerning acceptance of above street under Section 640. of Charter

Also, letter from Mayor Kennedy, dated August 30, 1960 on same subject, with an attached report from the Department of Public Works, giving estimated cost of project to bring Pepper Ridge Place up to acceptable standards, as specified under Resolution No. 279 passed by the Board of Representatives at meeting held August 4, 1958 REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEES

(4) Concerning PARKING AUTHORITY statement and balance sheet as of June 30, 1960 ORDERED NOTED AND FILED FOR FUTURE REFERENCE(5) Concerning PUC notice of increase in gas rates as of September 1, 1960
ORDERED NOTED AND FILED(6) Concerning matter of redistricting City in regard to School Districts (New High School and old High School) REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE -- To investigate and report back at next meeting of Steering Committee. (Brought up by Mr. Ivler)(7) Concerning unsanitary condition and method of control at bakeries and other food dispensers (Previously referred to Health & Protection Committee - See page 2853, Minutes of July 11, 1960)

Mr. Ivler brought this matter up for discussion and suggested that if he ascertained what methods of control are now exercised. REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE and HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

(8) Re sale of City-owned property:

Letter dated August 24, 1960, from Chairman of Planning Board, enclosing list of property and recommendations. (Previously mailed to all Board members)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(9) Concerning feasibility of having indoor ice skating rinks in City:

Above matter was brought up by John Nolan, discussed and referred to the PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

(10) Concerning need for resurfacing of tennis courts in City parks (Woodside Park)

This matter was brought on the floor by John Nolan, briefly discussed and referred to PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

(11) Concerning feasibility of having flood light for soft ball fields in City:

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE (Brought up by Mr. O'Connell and Mr. Callahan)

(12) Charter Revision Commission - Concerning Proposal No. 1 - Term of office of Mayor, Town Clerk and Board of Representatives, resubmitted to Charter Revision Commission at August 15, 1960 meet of Board of Representatives Referred to CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE at 9/15/60 Board meeting

Mr. Callahan, Chairman of the Charter Revision Committee, reported that this matter would be acted upon by the Commission and a report presented in time for the September Board meeting for action.

(13) Re use of recreational facilities of City by non-residents:

This matter was discussed. Some of the members reported that, upon investigation, it had been discovered that cars with out-of-town registration plates, using the various beaches and parks, were found to be summer residents of the City and entitled to the use of these facilities. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that a better method of handling the use of City facilities might be devised in order to insure adequate control.

(14) Concerning appropriations and various matters before the Board of Finance:

For the reason that the Board of Finance is meeting tonight, it could not be ascertained in advance as to what action would be taken. However, a copy of their Agenda was available and all matters on it were referred to the various committees in anticipation of action by the Finance Board.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

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John R. Nolan, Chairman
Steering Committee

FISCAL COMMITTEE

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Ivler, Vice Chairman, presented

the report of the Committee. He said a meeting was held September 8, 1960, and present were Miss Rose Farina, Messrs. Huizinga, Callahan, Sileo, McLaughlin and Ivler; with Mr. Ivler acting as Chairman. Absent were Messrs. Reback and Connors.

- (1) \$46,300.00 - CIRCUIT COURT HOUSE - Resolution amending 1959-1960 Capital Projects Budget by adding above sum to project designated "Circuit Court House" to provide for additional Courtroom (Mayor's letter of 8/18/60) (Note: Also referred to the Education, Welfare & Government Committee)

MR. IVLER said this was unanimously passed by the Fiscal Committee. He also stated that the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred in the approval of this item.

MR. IVLER MOVED for adoption of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Carey and Mr. Callahan and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 330

AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET
FOR 1959-1960 BY ADDITION OF ITEM IN
AMOUNT OF \$46,300.00 TO PROJECT KNOWN
AS "CIRCUIT COURT HOUSE", LOCATED ON
CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON HOYT STREET, TO
PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL COURTROOM.

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the Capital Projects Budget for the year 1959-1960 by adding to the item "Circuit Court House" the sum of \$46,300.00 for the inclusion of an additional Courtroom on city-owned property located on Hoyt Street, between the County Court House and the Police Building, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the additional appropriation of \$46,300.00 for said additional Courtroom in new Circuit Court House, which said sum is to be financed by the issue of bonds.

- (2) \$75,000.00 - SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL (Rippowam High School) - Resolution amending 1960-1961 Capital Projects Budget by adding above sum to the "Contingency Fund" in this Project. (Mayor's letter of 8/15/60) (Note: Also referred to Education, Welfare & Government Committee)

MR. IVLER said this was unanimously approved by the Fiscal Committee. Mr. Ivler said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also approved this item.

MR. IVLER MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Sileo and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 331AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR
1960-1961 BY ADDITION OF \$75,000.00 TO ITEM
KNOWN AS "CONTINGENCY FUND, NEW SENIOR HIGH
SCHOOL" (Rippowam High School)

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an additional amendment to the Capital Projects budget for the year 1960-1961 by adding to the item known as "Contingency Fund, New Senior High School" the additional sum of \$75,000.00, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to approve the appropriation of \$75,000.00 for said new Senior High School, which said sum is to be financed by the issue of bonds.

- (3) \$3,300.00 - Pension Patrolman THOMAS F. TROY - From 8/1/60 through 6/30/61 (11 months) based on two-thirds of annual salary of \$5,400.00 (Mayor's letter of 8/1/60)

MR. IVIER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Connors and CARRIED unanimously.

- (4) \$3,617.01 - Pension - Deputy Fire Chief CHARLES L. MAYES - For balance of Fiscal year - 10/1/60 through 6/30/61 (9 months) based on 58% of annual salary of \$8,315.00 (Mayor's letter of 8/1/60)

MR. IVIER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Callahan and CARRIED unanimously.

- (5) \$3,802.70 - Pension - Captain EDWARD C. FOSTER (Fire Department) For balance of Fiscal year - 9/1/60 through 6/30/61 (10 months) based on 64% of annual salary of \$7,130.00 (Mayor's letter of 8/1/60)

MR. IVIER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Macri and CARRIED unanimously.

- (6) \$2,595.00 - Pension - Rose Troy, widow of Patrolman DAVID D. TROY - For balance of fiscal year - 7/29/60 through 6/30/61 (11 months, 4 days) based on 50% of annual salary of \$5,400.00 (Mayor's letter of 8/19/60)

MR. IVIER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and Mr. Blois and CARRIED unanimously.

- (7) \$2,585.30 - Pension - Kathryn H. Tunney, widow of Detective THOMAS J. TUNNEY for balance of fiscal year - 8/26/60 through 6/30/61 (10 months, 6 days) based on 50% of annual salary of \$6,081.00 (Mayor's letter of 8/19/60)

MR. IVIER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Cole and CARRIED unanimously.

- (8) \$3,316.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Salary Account, Code 420 1 - For employment of

Clerk-Stenographer, Grade II, due to additional work load
(Mayor's letter of 7/28/60)

(Note: Also referred to Health & Protection Committee)

MR. IVLER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Callahan.

MRS. AUSTIN, Vice Chairman of the Health & Protection Committee, to which Committee this matter had also been referred, said they had not had an opportunity to meet on this matter.

MR. IVLER explained that because of the Chairman being out of town, he had taken over as Vice Chairman, and did not have an opportunity to notify the Health and Protection Committee at the last moment.

MR. IVLER MOVED that this matter be DEFERRED until the Health and Protection Committee had the opportunity to meet on this matter. Seconded by Mr. Macri.
 CARRIED to defer this until the next meeting.

(9) \$457.00 - CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE - Code 450.1, Salary Account - Request due to reclassification of position of Executive Secretary to Administrative Assistant, effective July 1, 1960 (Approved by the Personnel Commission (Mayor's letter of 7/28/60)

MR. IVLER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Carey and CARRIED unanimously.

(10) \$3,988.00 - PUBLIC WORKS Administration Office - Code 410.1, Salary Account For employment of Secretary, fiscal year 1960-1961 - Approved by Personnel Commission at meeting of May 23, 1960 (Mayor's letter of 7/28/60) (Also referred to Public Works Committee)

MR. IVLER MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Henry Nolan who stated that the Public Works Committee concurred in approval of this matter. CARRIED unanimously.

(11) \$6,000.00 - REGISTRAR OF VOTERS - To cover cost of Congressional primary held July 27, 1960 (Mayor's letter of 7/28/60)
 (Also referred to Education, Welfare & Government Committee)

MR. IVLER stated that the Committee unanimously agreed to defer the above request until further information could be obtained. He said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee also concurred in the action of the Fiscal Committee to defer this matter.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. SHAPERO, Chairman, presented his committee report. He said a meeting was held on September 8, 1960. Present were: Messrs. Shapero (Chairman); Meyers, Macri and Russell. Absent: Messrs. Baker and Mazza.

(1) Building Board of Appeals - (Letter dated August 30, 1960 to Building Inspector) Concerning request to Board of Representatives for confirmation of decision taken at their meeting of 8/29/60, reversing Building Inspector's decision of application of AMERICAN MACHINE & FOUNDRY CO. for

permission to erect a sheet metal building

NOTE: Confirmation of Board of Representatives is necessary under Sec. 13 (d) of Building Code (See page 11 of Code)

MR. SHAPERO said the Committee unanimously approved the decision of the Building Board of Appeals to waive certain requirements of the Building Code on the above matter.

MR. SHAPERO MOVED for approval of confirmation of the decision of the Building Board of Appeals on the above matter. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick and Mr. Macri and CARRIED.

(2) Recodification of City Ordinances - (As required by Public Act no. 430, adopted at January 1959 Session of General Assembly)

MR. SHAPERO said it was the unanimous opinion that this project be undertaken and the Committee requests that the President initiate the necessary actions to obtain the needed appropriations and to begin soliciting of bids for this work to be done.

Mr. Shapero quoted from the Public Act in question, outlining the deadline date as December 31, 1960 for each town, city and borough in the state, to comply with the requirements. He said the present Code of General Ordinances which the City has at present is badly in need of recodification and revision. He said he thought an appropriation should be requested to take care of this work and that the Purchasing Agent simultaneously should advertise for bids.

MR. SHAPERO MOVED for approval of the recommendations of the Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

(3) Sale of City-Owned Property - (Outlined in letter of 8/24/60 from Planning Board)

MR. SHAPERO said the Committee is aware of the urgency of the situation, but felt that before recommending any action to the Board, it would require further study. This matter was deferred until the October Board meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

MR. HENRY NOLAN Chairman presented his Committee report. He said the Committee met on August 17, 1960. Present were: Messrs. Blois, Dombroski, Rybnick, Mancusi and Nolan (Chairman). The Commissioner of Public Works was also present. Absent were Messrs. Philpotts and Geronimo.

Mr. Nolan said the Committee visited the town garage and town yard and inspected the Public Works equipment and facilities, accompanied by the Commissioner, Mr. Canavan and his staff on Sunday, August 28, 1960.

He said the Committee again met on September 9, 1960 and discussed the city's new road paving policy regarding the manner in which affected property owners would pay for drainage and the rough preparation and the city would pay for the asphalt, the home owners to pay their share over a ten year period.

MR. HENRY NOLAN presented a second report of survey of the Public Works equipment and facilities, as follows:

REPORT OF SURVEY OF PUBLIC WORKS EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES BY
PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

After a thorough inspection of the Public Works equipment, the Public Works garage, and the town yard, the Public Works Committee decided that it is our duty to alert the people of Stamford to the danger of a possible breakdown of Stamford's Public Works Department because of the age and condition of its equipment.

It is the opinion of the Public Works Committee that, over the years, the Public Works Department employees have done a remarkable job with obsolete, beat-up equipment and inadequate working facilities.

This report is in no way a reflection on former Commissioner of Public Works, or former Mayors -- they tried to correct the situation but it is obvious from the age and the condition of the present equipment in the Public Works Department that they met with little or no success.

The Committee feels that the people of Stamford must face the facts squarely now. Otherwise some winter morning, after a ten or twelve inch snowfall, Stamford residents may awaken to find traffic at a complete standstill because the Public Works Department's antiquated snow plows and broken down completely. Or the beat-up garage trucks might all break down and garbage would pile up throughout the city. Sounds a bit far-fetched?

Let us examine what the Committee found when it inspected the Public Works equipment:

- (1) Old beat-up, patched-up equipment - a hodge-podge of nine or ten different kinds of trucks.
- (2) Trucks stored in the open because there was no indoor storage available.
- (3) Insufficient working space for mechanics.
- (4) Snow-plow trucks with broken windows and defective heaters.
- (5) Inadequate storage space for rock-salt needed for icy roads.
- (6) Dangerous rigid snow-plows.
- (7) No outdoor lights in town yard where work is often done at night.
- (8) No shower facilities at town yard or garage.
- (9) Because of the age and condition of the trucks and equipment, the mechanics are constantly occupied keeping the equipment in running condition and thus don't have the time needed to do a regular maintenance job on all the equipment. The cost of repairing the present equipment is close to \$50,000.00 per year.

By eliminating much of this exorbitant repair cost, new equipment would help to pay for itself. It would also free the mechanics

from "make-do" work so they could set up a regular maintenance schedule which would save the city considerable money.

The Committee feels that these major problems now facing the Public Works Department.

Let us examine the equipment first. On July 1, 1960, out of 123 Public Works units of equipment, 36 units or 29.3% was at least 10 years old; 11.4% or 14 units was 15 years or older; 20.3% or 25 units was twenty years or older, and only 39% was under ten years old. Here are the details:

One local industry writes off its trucks over a ten year period; some industries and cities write off their trucks over a period of six or seven years. Although Public Works equipment gets rougher and more constant use than most industrial equipment, 75 pieces of Stamford's equipment are more than ten years old.

To maintain these relics the City of Stamford pays some \$40,000.00 to \$50,000.00 per year -- money that would be more profitably spent replacing this with new equipment. There are so many different makes of equipment: Macks, International, Autocar, Reo, GMC, White, Chevrolet, Dodge and Ford -- that it is impractical to stockpile parts, and therefore equipment often lays idle while waiting for parts.

Stamford has four street sweepers:

- (1) A 23-year old Elgin - unusable.
- (2) A 15-year old Elgin - can be reconditioned.
- (3) A 15-year old Austin Weston -- formerly used in old town area.
- (4) An 8-year old Elgin - in use.

The eight-year-old Elgin sweeper is the only one in use, and the Public Works Department is vainly trying to cover the entire city with it. No wonder people are constantly complaining that the streets are not being swept.

This committee agrees with Public Works Commissioner Canavan's and Mayor Kennedy's request for two new sweepers - turning in the 23-year-old Elgin and the 1945 Austin on these.

We further agree that the Commissioner should recondition the fifteen-year-old Elgin for about \$1,000.00 - using parts from the 1937 Elgin. With the present eight-year-old Elgin, the reconditioned fifteen-year-old Elgin and two new sweepers, the Public Works Department should be able to make a good start on an adequate program to take care of the city's streets.

As for the other trucks, the Committee feels that the 75 pieces of equipment over ten years old should be replaced. In order to spare the city a severe financial burden, the Committee recommends that four or five

new trucks should be purchased this year and a similar number each succeeding year -- with the oldest or worst equipment being turned in or scrapped each year until all the antiquated equipment is replaced. This program should be instituted at once.

The Committee feels strongly that the trucks which will be used with snow-plows should have their heaters repaired and broken glass replaced now so that the truck drivers will be protected from the cold, snow and rain this winter.

Furthermore, the city garage should be equipped with showers so after working on messy, smelly, garbage trucks and greasy engines the mechanics will have facilities for taking a shower at the end of the day.

The town yard should have similar facilities.

The rigid snow-plows which the Public Works Department currently uses are dangerous and should be replaced by retractable snow-plows. One winter recently one of Stamford's rigid snow-plows struck a manhole cover and the driver was thrown against the windshield violently, was severely jarred and lost four teeth. It could have been a fatal accident. Another of Stamford's rigid snow-plows struck a snow-covered obstruction and the impact forced the snow-plow against the truck's frame and bent the truck's chassis permanently. At that time the truck was only one month old. The Committee feels that these rigid plows should be replaced with retractable plows to prevent any further accidents of this kind.

The Committee also recommends installation of outdoor lights in the town yard to facilitate working on trucks at night.

In conclusion, the Public Works Committee recommends:

- (1) Two new street sweepers -- turning in two old ones. Renovation of one 15-year-old sweeper as recommended by Commissioner Canavan.
- (2) Replacement of equipment over ten years old -- starting with 4 or 5 this year and continuing buying 4 or 5 each year until the equipment that is more than 10 years old is replaced. The Committee further recommends that Commissioner Canavan investigate the possibility of choosing only 2 or 3 different kinds of trucks instead of purchasing 9 or 10 different kinds as at present -- so that parts would be interchangeable and an inventory of parts could be stock-piled, thus eliminating long waiting periods for parts.
- (3) The Committee agrees with Commissioner Canavan that a cost system should be instituted with a record being kept on each piece of equipment showing mileage, gasoline used, repairs, record of mileage of each tire, etc. so that complete cost information on all equipment would be available at all times.

Such records would show when a piece of equipment had reached the point where it would no longer be economical to continue to fix it.

At this point such equipment should be turned in or scrapped.

- (4) The Committee also agrees with Commissioner Canavan that the old incinerator building on Magee Avenue should be reclaimed at a cost of approximately six thousand dollars and used as a repair shop and storage facility.
- (5) The Committee recommends that the City's three leaf mulchers be readied for action at once. We further recommend that if necessary Commissioner Canavan request temporary help to man the leaf mulchers so that they may be used every day during the several weeks that the leaves are falling. It should be announced regularly in what section of the city the leaf mulchers would be operated so the residents in that case could gather their leaves to be picked up by the mulchers. The complete use of the City's three mulchers would accomplish the following:

1. Homeowners would be saved the dirty-smoky job of burning leaves - this is often extremely dangerous - and the city would be saved the discomfort caused by the weeks of leaf burning.
2. The elimination of burning of leaves would save damage to street paving and reduce the number of accidental fires.
3. The leaf mulch thus obtained would be clean fill which the city could use advantageously.
4. The catch basins throughout the city would be kept open and clear of leaves.

The Public Works Committee realizes that equipment for the Public Works Department - garbage trucks, snowplows, repair shops and mechanic's showers -- don't have the popular appeal that schools, beaches and parks have -- but they are the "nuts and bolts" that hold the city together and therefore are of vital importance to all the people of Stamford.

Finally, the Public Works Committee would welcome the opportunity of taking an appropriate committee of the Good Government Association and the League of Women Voters and/or any other civic-minded organization on an inspection tour of the Public Works Department's facilities and equipment. Any interested organization should get in touch with the Public Works Committee.

Public Works Committee of the Board of Representatives:

Henry F. Nolan, Chairman - Fred C. Blois, Vice-Chairman
Bernard B. Geronimo - Joseph Mancusi - Edward Dombroski
Alvin T. Philpotts - Gerald J. Rybnick

There was considerable discussion at this point regarding the report of the survey made by the Public Works Committee.

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Because of the length of the report submitted by Mr. Henry Nolan, copies were ordered made for the members of the Board. It was also decided to incorporate the report into the minutes, for future reference.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

MR. RUSSELL, Chairman, said that no regular monthly meeting had been planned. However, a matter was referred to the Committee after the Steering Committee meeting and the Committee met and agreed to present certain resolutions for action by the Board.

RE: PEPPER RIDGE PLACE - Concerning improvements under Section 643 of Charter
Per letter from Commissioner of Finance dated 8/23/60
and attached correspondence. (Also referred to the
Public Works Committee)

MR. RUSSELL said this matter had been before the Committee for several years and concerned the acceptance of private roads which do not meet city specifications and method whereby they could be brought up to proper condition for acceptance under the provisions contained in Chapter 64 of the Charter.

MR. RUSSELL presented the following resolution and MOVED for acceptance. He explained this was in accordance with Resolution No. 279, adopted by the Board at its meeting held August 4, 1958 (See pages #1975 and #1976 of Minutes of that date) Seconded by Mr. Henry Nolan, who said his committee concurred in the recommendation. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 132

CONCERNING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CARRIED
OUT IN PEPPER RIDGE PLACE UNDER PROVISIONS
OF SECTION 643 OF CHARTER

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford:

That the report of the Commissioner of Finance to the Board of Representatives, dated August 23, 1960, concerning PEPPER RIDGE PLACE, is hereby approved, and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon approval of said report by the Mayor of the City of Stamford, said improvements shall be carried out in accordance with said report, after notice of such finally approved report has been given according to law, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report when so approved by the Mayor and when funds have been appropriated to pay for the cost of the improvement shall be recorded in the land records of the City of Stamford.

RE: BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE AND WOODBRIDGE DRIVE SOUTH - CONCERNING
PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES, ETC.

MR. RUSSELL introduced a second resolution at this time regarding the starting of procedure by the City for the purpose of eventually bringing the above named

roads up to City specifications so that they may be in proper condition for acceptance as city streets.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Henry Nolan, who said his committee (Public Works Committee) also concurred in the recommendation. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 333

REQUESTING MAYOR TO INITIATE PRELIMINARY ESTIMATES, ETC., TO BE MADE ON ROADS KNOWN AS BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE AND WOODRIDGE DRIVE SOUTH, AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 640 OF CHARTER

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford:

That it is the opinion of the Board of Representatives that the public health, safety, welfare, convenience and necessity require the construction and layout of the highways known as BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE and WOODRIDGE DRIVE SOUTH in conformity with the specifications set forth in Ordinance No. 79 Supplemental of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Board of Representatives, with the approval of the Mayor, to construct and lay out said highways, together with any curbing, drainage or other incidental installations required to carry out said projects, pursuant to the powers granted it under Section 640 of the Charter of the City of Stamford; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to direct the Department of Public Works to do the preliminary engineering work, including preparation of surveys, plans, profiles, specifications and estimates of the total cost of the improvement and to submit a report thereon to the Commission of Finance, who shall make estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken, and of the amounts of the benefits or damages which should be assessed against or in favor of each piece of property affected; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to submit a report thereon to the Board of Representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approximately seventy percent (70%) of the cost of the work and improvements, as aforesaid, be assessed against the properties benefited thereby; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and lay out of said highways, curbing, drainage and incidental installations in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 64 of the Charter of the City of Stamford.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. KELLY, Chairman, presented a report of his committee which he read at this

time. He said they met on the evening of September 7, 1960. Present were Messrs. Esposito, Kozlowski, Cole and Kelly.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

MR. IVLER, Chairman stated that the report of his committee was read simultaneously with the report of the Fiscal Committee

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

Report of Charter Revision Commission concerning terms of office of elective officers - Re-submitted at the August 15, 1960 meeting of the Board of Representatives to Charter Revision Commission for redrafting to be again submitted to the Board and contained in their second report to the Board, dated August 31, 1960 (Re Sections 102 and 115 of Charter)

MR. CALLAHAN, Chairman, read the following report of the Third Charter Revision Commission dated August 31, 1960 at this time:

CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION Report dated August 31, 1960

On Monday, August 29, 1960 the Charter Revision Commission of the Board of Representatives met with the Charter Revision Committee of the Board for the purpose of considering the re-submission by the Board of Representatives of Proposal No. 1 of the Charter Revision Commission a report of July 21, 1960, in which the Board of Representatives suggested that the proposal be redrafted to provide four year terms for the Mayor, Town Clerk and the 40 members of the Board of Representatives and that all above mentioned city officials run for said four year terms at the same time and in the same election.

In executive session following the joint meeting of the Commission with the Committee, the Commission voted favorably on the re-draft and hereby submits a proposal which will provide four year terms for the Mayor, Town Clerk and the 40 members of the Board of Representatives, and will also provide for election of these city officials at the same time and in the same election.

This action is in compliance with the provisions of Public Act 465 of the General Assembly, State of Connecticut, 1957 Session.

The revised proposal will read as follows:

Sec. 102. Terms of Office of Elective Officers.

The terms of office of elective officers hereunder shall commence on the first day of December succeeding the election. The terms of office of the Mayor, the City and Town Clerk, and the members of the Board of Representatives, shall be four years. The terms of office of the Registrars of Voters, Selectmen, and Constables shall be two years. The term of office of each member of the Board of Finance shall be four years. The term of office of each member of the Board of Education shall be three years.

roads up to City specifications so that they may be in proper condition for acceptance as city streets.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Henry Nolan, who said his committee (Public Works Committee) also concurred in the recommendation. CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 333

REQUESTING MAYOR TO INITIATE PRELIMINARY
ESTIMATES, ETC., TO BE MADE ON ROADS KNOWN
AS BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE AND WOOD-
RIDGE DRIVE SOUTH, AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION
640 OF CHARTER

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford:

That it is the opinion of the Board of Representatives that the public health, safety, welfare, convenience and necessity require the construction and layout of the highways known as BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE and WOODRIDGE DRIVE SOUTH in conformity with the specifications set forth in Ordinance No. 79 Supplemental of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Board of Representatives, with the approval of the Mayor, to construct and lay out said highways, together with any curbing, drainage or other incidental installations required to carry out said projects, pursuant to the powers granted it under Section 640 of the Charter of the City of Stamford; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to direct the Department of Public Works to do the preliminary engineering work, including preparation of surveys, plans, profiles, specifications and estimates of the total cost of the improvement and to submit a report thereon to the Commission of Finance, who shall make estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken, and of the amounts of the benefits or damages which should be assessed against or in favor of each piece of property affected; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to submit a report thereon to the Board of Representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that approximately seventy percent (70%) of the cost of the work and improvements, as aforesaid, be assessed against the properties benefited thereby; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and lay out of said highways, curbing, drainage and incidental installations in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 64 of the Charter of the City of Stamford.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. KELLY, Chairman, presented a report of his committee which he read at this

time. He said they met on the evening of September 7, 1960. Present were Messrs. Esposito, Korlowski, Cole and Kelly.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

MR. IVLER, Chairman stated that the report of his committee was read simultaneously with the report of the Fiscal Committee

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE

Report of Charter Revision Commission concerning terms of office of elective officers - Re-submitted at the August 15, 1960 meeting of the Board of Representatives to Charter Revision Commission for redrafting to be again submitted to the Board and contained in their second report to the Board, dated August 31, 1960 (Re Sections 102 and 115 of Charter)

MR. CALLAHAN, Chairman, read the following report of the Third Charter Revision Commission dated August 31, 1960 at this time:

CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION
Report dated August 31, 1960

On Monday, August 29, 1960 the Charter Revision Commission of the Board of Representatives met with the Charter Revision Committee of the Board for the purpose of considering the re-submission by the Board of Representatives of Proposal No. 1 of the Charter Revision Commission's report of July 21, 1960, in which the Board of Representatives suggested that the proposal be redrafted to provide four year terms for the Mayor, Town Clerk and the 40 members of the Board of Representatives and that all above mentioned city officials run for said four year terms at the same time and in the same election.

In executive session following the joint meeting of the Commission with the Committee, the Commission voted favorably on the re-draft and hereby submits a proposal which will provide four year terms for the Mayor, Town Clerk and the 40 members of the Board of Representatives, and will also provide for election of these city officials at the same time and in the same election.

This action is in compliance with the provisions of Public Act 465 of the General Assembly, State of Connecticut, 1957 Session.

The revised proposal will read as follows:

Sec. 102. Terms of Office of Elective Officers.

The terms of office of elective officers hereunder shall commence on the first day of December succeeding the election. The terms of office of the Mayor, the City and Town Clerk, and the members of the Board of Representatives, shall be four years. The terms of office of the Registrars of Voters, Selectmen, and Constables shall be two years. The term of office of each member of the Board of Finance shall be four years. The term of office of each member of the Board of Education shall be three years.

The election date for all municipal officers shall be the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1961. The term of office for all elective officers shall commence on December 1, 1961. On said Tuesday after the first Monday of November, 1961, the Mayor shall be elected for a term of four years, and the City and Town Clerk shall be elected for a term of four years.

Sec. 115. Election of Board of Representatives

In the regular municipal election held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1961, two members of the Board of Representatives shall be elected by the qualified electors of each of the twenty voting districts of Stamford, to serve for a term of four years. The two candidates in each district receiving the greatest number of votes in their district shall be deemed elected. Each representative, at the time of his election, shall be a resident of the district from which he is elected. Any representative who, having been elected under the provisions of this section, or under any other provision of this Charter, shall cease to reside in the district which he represents, shall immediately become disqualified to hold such office within the meaning of Section 201 of this Charter and the vacancy thereby created shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of said Section 201.

(Signed) MICHAEL J. NAGURNEY
Chairman, Charter Revision Commission

MR. CALLAHAN MOVED that the above proposals be approved by the Board and placed on the ballot at the time of the next national election in November 1960. Seconded by Mr. Cole.

MR. DEFOREST rose on a point of personal privilege. He said he wished to express an opinion on the report of the Commission.

The President ruled that Mr. Callahan has the floor, and Mr. Forester would be next.

The following is the report presented by Mr. Callahan in regard to the report of the Charter Revision Commission:

"It appears that both political parties support four year terms for the Mayor and City and Town Clerk. The difference of opinion develops in the four year term for the Board of Representatives. It is difficult to comprehend how the Republican party can claim concurrent terms make the entire proposal unacceptable to them. The basic and most important issue involved in the entire package is the term of office, not the conduct of the election. One must keep in mind that as the City Charter is presently constituted, all subject city officials in question, run at the same time. The proposal now before us keeps this policy in existence. This type of election procedure seems to have merit and has worked well for Stamford in the past. One wonders if the 1959 municipal elections make it necessary to change the conduct of elections in the future. One election should not set a precedent for all elections in the future. We must also be cognizant of the realistic value of having the Mayor receive

and keep for his four-year term, a sympathetic District Board to put across his program. Isn't the idea of a four year term based to a great degree on this philosophy? Where might a Mayor be whose party lost control of a District Board midway through his term of office? The people of Stamford would be recipients of an administration whereby the Mayor was completely tied up by our District Board.

The opposition party claims that the coat-tail victory is of paramount importance in this proposal. Do the Democrats have a monopoly on victories in Mayoralty elections? Do not the Republicans have equal opportunity to present to the electorate candidates who will carry their ticket to victory? Do the Republicans concede all mayoralty elections in the future? The Republican on my Committee and fellow members of the Commission with me, has stated in a letter to the Advocate that political fortunes in Stamford changed rapidly. Therefore, I am concerned why they fear and condemn a Mayor winning an election and assisting his entire ticket so as to carry out his program for our City."

MR. DEFOREST spoke on the motion before the Board. He said that several years ago a Republican Mayor suggested that the term of office be changed from two to four years. He said that in his letter of March 21, 1960 which was presented to the Charter Revision Committee at that time, he had requested that the details be worked out by the Committee for study and eventual referral to the Charter Revision Commission. He stated that the suggested wording of the proposed Charter revisions were presented at the same time as an attachment to his letter, comprising the re-wording of Sections 102 and 115 of the Charter. He said that the proposal met with very little opposition, if any, from the members of the Charter Revision Commission and was approved unanimously by the members of the Commission at that time, and there seemed to be complete harmony within the members of the Commission as to the proposal. He said they thought at the time they had a bi-partisan unity with no friction whatever.

Mr. DeForest said all was harmony until the report went to the Democratic caucus of the Board of Representatives, where it met with opposition. He stated that although the Republican members are accused of opposing the Charter change, they were the original sponsors of it. He said they had never opposed the Charter revisions as first approved by the Charter Revision Commission, but they did disapprove of the changes made after it was presented at the Board of Representatives' meeting held August 15, 1960. He said he failed to understand what happened between the time it was originally approved by all members of the Charter Revision Commission and when it was presented in a revised form to be returned to the Charter Revision Commission for re-submission to the Board at this meeting. He said he wondered what happened in the interim to make them change their minds, and that the Board is now faced with a revised version of the original submission, changing the terms of the members of the Board of Representatives from staggered terms of four years to concurrent four year terms.

He said the idea of staggered terms instead on concurrent terms was to bring about a continuity on the Board; that it does not "ham-string" a Mayor who may have a "weak or poor Board"; and gives the voter a sense of power.

Mr. DeForest spoke at some length in his opposition to the motion on the floor, and suggested that the motion be amended to change it back to the way it was originally sent to the Board from the Charter Revision Commission.

MR. HUIZINGA spoke against Mr. Callahan's motion. He said he thought it was not in the interest of good government in the City of Stamford. He presented his comments in writing, in order that there would be no misunderstanding, so they would be in the records of the Board. He said he thought the original proposal as first approved by the Charter Revision Commission was the right one and was definitely opposed to the one presented tonight.

MR. SCARELLA also spoke in opposition to the motion on the floor. He presented his remarks in writing, so they would be in the records of the Board and there would be no misinterpretation of his remarks on his objections to linking a four year term for members of the Board of Representatives, with a four year term for Mayor and City and Town Clerk to run concurrently.

MR. SHAPERO said he was not prepared with a statement in writing as to his views, but would take his chances. He read from a copy of the letter of March 21, 1960 from Mr. DeForest which was presented at a meeting of the Steering Committee held March 21, 1960 for presentation to the Charter Revision Committee and eventual referral to the Charter Revision Commission. He said he did not feel he could be accused of reading out of context if he placed emphasis on the first paragraph of that letter and the last paragraph. He quoted the following from the letter:

"One of the prime issues of Stamford city government which has aroused considerable bi-partisan interest is that of extending the terms of office of the Mayor, Town and City Clerk and Board of Representatives from two to four years, with details to be worked out by the Charter Revision Committee and the Charter Revision Commission."

He said he was sure that Mr. DeForest was aware at the time of the submission of his letter that certain changes in the Charter were to be made and he had asked that these changes be made by the Charter Revision Committee and the Charter Revision Commission. He further stated that in fairness to Mr. DeForest, there was attached to the letter in question what might be called "the DeForest plan" which provided for split elections of the Board of Representatives.

Mr. Shapero said that the point he took issue with was the part where because the majority of the members of this Board disagreed with the provisions contained in Proposal No. 1 first submitted to the Board by the Charter Revision Commission that it should be turned into a political issue. He said he did not consider it a partisan matter. He spoke at further length, explaining his views.

MR. CONNORS spoke in favor of the four year term. He stressed the fact that a member who remains on the Board for four years would be better versed in what was going on than someone who was on for two years and would be able to do a much better job for the city. He said he did not see too much to argue about merely because the change in the proposal before the Board was changed from staggered to concurrent terms for all Board members. He said he had been on Boards where they had a Democratic Board and a Republican Mayor and failed to see where it had done the city any harm and in fact, had worked out very well.

MR. IVLER spoke in favor of the motion. He said he seemed to recognize certain language contained in the prepared speech from the Minority Leader which sounded identical to remarks made by former members of the Board. He pointed out that when the original proposal had been before the Board at the August meeting, the

members of the minority party had not objected very much to sending the matter in question back to the Charter Revision Commission for re-drafting to be again submitted to the Board for action at this meeting. He urged approval of the motion as presented by Mr. Callahan.

MR. RUSSELL said he objected to a four year term of office for city officials and thought a stagger system would be a much better plan. He said he hoped the Board would turn the proposal down.

There ensued a great deal of further debate on the motion, with some of the members speaking for a second time.

MR. SCARELLA rose to a point of personal privilege. He said he thought it was a shame that the Board allowed themselves to make this issue a political one and that to the average resident of the city it makes no difference whether a member is of one party or the other - they are there to represent the people of the City of Stamford.

MR. JOHN NOLAN, President, relinquished the Chair in order to speak on the motion before the Board. Mr. Silco, Clerk, assumed the Chair.

MR. NOLAN stated that the Committees on this Board have been doing a tremendous job and he thought it was a good thing for the Board to have the "infusion of new blood" on the Board membership, with new ideas and people who were willing to work hard. He said he thought gaining new members on the Board was a good thing. He said under the proposal as submitted by Mr. DeForest, there would be members of the Board running on the same ticket with the Town Clerk, which is a statutory office - one in which he runs on how well he does his job. He said he did not believe this was good for the city - to be elected to office along with the Town Clerk, where the question before the voters was whether or not the Town Clerk was doing a good job or not. He said he thought the Board should all run for office at the same time and be elected at the same time and not be divided by two separate elections. He said one proposal was not "perfectly right" and the other "perfectly wrong"; and the Board must determine which of the two proposals is the best one for the city. He said he believed the proposal submitted this evening is the best one, and that the best way to pass legislation was by open debate, with each side stating their views in one meeting.

MR. SHAPERO spoke for a second time and explained the purpose behind the reason for having a four year term of office, that persons running for office should be elected on the basis of the platform that they represent and should be given adequate time to carry out their plans.

MR. DEFOREST also spoke for a second time. He said he agreed with Mr. Shapero on one thing - that everyone was in agreement on the fact that a four year term would be best for the city, but on the basis of efficiency, the staggered term would be the better way.

A RISING VOTE was taken on Mr. Callahan's motion to approve the recommendations of the Charter Revision Commission, re-submitted to the Board in their revised proposal contained in their report dated August 31, 1960.

CARRIED by a vote of 27 in favor and 7 opposed, the President not voting, there now being 35 members present.

PICNIC COMMITTEE:

MR. RUSSELL, Chairman, reported that unfortunately the picnic had to be postponed because of the bad weather on September 11th, the date the picnic was originally scheduled. He said the Committee have agreed to hold the picnic this Sunday, September 18th, despite reports of continued bad weather. But, in the event of inclement weather again, that the picnic would be held in Hibernian Hall on Forest Street. He stressed that the picnic would be open to all city department officials.

OLD BUSINESS:Requesting Corporation Counsel's opinion on powers and duties of the Board of Representatives per Sec. 452 of Charter

MR. IVLER said he had prepared a series of questions on which he would like to have the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, regarding Lenox Avenue and the situation which exists upon it. He said this matter has been in the Health & Protection Committee for some time and he had been invited to attend meetings of this Committee; out of these meetings had arisen problems as to the proper procedure which empowers this Board to follow. He said he had been asked certain questions in his capacity as a member of the Connecticut Bar and hesitated to give his opinion because he felt these are proper questions that should be referred, pursuant to Section 452 of the Charter, to the Corporation Counsel, as he is the legal officer of the City.

MR. IVLER MOVED that the following questions be referred to the Corporation Counsel for his written opinion, to be referred back to the Board of Representatives. Seconded by Mr. Macri, and CARRIED:

- (a) May the Board of Representatives pass an Ordinance or take any other action to regulate the size and type of vehicles using a specific city street where the Board of Representatives has, in its opinion, found that a dangerous condition exists by certain usage thereof?
- (b) May the Board of Representatives pass an Ordinance regulating the use of a street by declaring it a dead end street, where the end of said street is at the city line and connects with a private road or bridge and not with a public highway of another municipality where the Board of Representatives considers such usage a dangerous condition?
- (c) Has the Board of Representatives any power to remove or cause to be removed, a private structure which is located on city property, without the city's express permission?
- (d) Under what Section of the Charter, if any, may the Board of Representatives act to exercise the powers set out in Section 40, subdivisions 30, 31 and 32 of the Charter? If the Board of Representatives does not have such power, what procedure must be followed to regulate the use of a street, or in dead-ending same, where the use thereof as a through street is causing a dangerous condition and where said street ends in a dead end at the city line, but is being used by persons as a through street?

- (e) Has the Board of Representatives the power to request the Corporation Counsel to institute an action where a private structure is located on city property, without the permission of the city; and if the Board of Representatives has such power, must the Corporation Counsel commence said action upon such request?
- (f) Assuming the Board of Representatives has found a dangerous condition to exist regarding the use of a city street, what power has it to stop and regulate such usage and what procedure must it follow?
- (g) What power has the Board of Representatives to remove a private structure from city property where same was built without a building permit and without the permission of the city to use said property?

NEW BUSINESS:

MR. KELLY said he wished to have presented to the Steering Committee for their referral to the proper committee, the following proposed Ordinance:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

CONCERNING STRUCTURES, AND/OR OTHER IMPROVEMENTS ON LAND MAINTAINED BY THE PARK DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY

Any structures, buildings, bridges or other improvements now situated or hereinafter erected upon any lands owned by the City of Stamford and/or maintained and operated by the Park Department of the City of Stamford shall not be removed or demolished without the prior consent of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford.

MR. KELLY MOVED that the above proposed Ordinance be referred to the Steering Committee. Seconded by Mr. Ivler and CARRIED.

MR. IVLER MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to consider the following matter:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CHAPTER 22, SECTION 16, CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES

- 16.1 All persons other than residents of the City of Stamford shall be prohibited from using the public recreation areas, parks and beaches of the City of Stamford including but not limited to Cummings Park and Hubbard Heights Golf Club).
- 16.2 "Resident" as used herein in this Section 16 shall include any person who has his principal place of abode in the City of Stamford for a period of six months in any calendar year or owns property in the City of Stamford, as set forth in the Grand List of the City of Stamford.
- 16.3 Each Board, Department or Commission having charge of such place of public recreation, park or beach, shall have the duty of promulgating rules consistent with this Ordinance and of enforcing such rules and this Ordinance.

MR. IVLER said the above question had been referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee by the Steering Committee but had not been reported out of Committee as yet. He explained he wished to bring this matter before the Board so that it could be published and considered at the next meeting.

MRS. AUSTIN seconded Mr. Ivler's motion to suspend the rules.

MR. HUIZINGA said he was against voting for suspension of the rules to bring this on the floor. He said it was an Ordinance and therefore should have been studied and discussed by a Committee. He asked if it had been referred to the Legislative and Rules Committee. He said he thought it should not be acted on hastily.

THE PRESIDENT replied that it had not and to his knowledge it would require a two-thirds vote to bring this up for consideration now.

MR. RUSSELL spoke against suspension of the rules for the reason that when this was done it was always because it was an extreme emergency nature. He asked Mr. Ivler what was the emergency behind this matter being acted upon tonight.

MR. IVLER said this matter has been before the Board for two months. He said a whole summer had passed by and nothing has been accomplished during this period of time. He said it was important to give the city time to promulgate the rules and the procedure, so that when next spring arrived, there would be an Ordinance and the procedure to enforce that Ordinance.

MR. SHAPERO said he understood Mr. Ivler's hurry to expedite matters, but from a practical point of view, it is a dangerous precedent for this Board to be free and easy about suspension of the rules. He said the Board has rules of procedure for very definite reasons - to give everyone time to consider and study action recommended. He urged that the members think it over very carefully before voting on suspending the rules to consider a matter of this type.

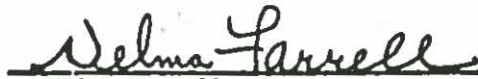
MR. KELLY said this matter had been brought up before and it was his understanding that it would be referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee and to the Legislative and Rules Committee, but the two Committee Chairmen never got together to hold a meeting on this. He said he believed the proper way to handle it would be to refer it to the Committees concerned so that they could sit down and discuss it; meet with the Hubbard Heights Golf Club Commission and the Park Commission. He said these Commissions were entitled to be considered and to have the opportunity to meet with the Committees and discuss it thoroughly before any action was taken. He urged that the way it should be handled would be to let the Steering Committee refer it to the proper committees and give everyone concerned ample time to consider it from all angles.

MR. SCARELLA said everyone understands what Mr. Ivler is trying to do and also understands what Mr. Shapero advises. He said he believed there was no reason why it could not be acted upon because it had been brought up so many times at Board meetings.

VOTE taken on suspension of the rules to consider Mr. Ivler's proposed Ordinance. LOST.

ADJOURNMENT:

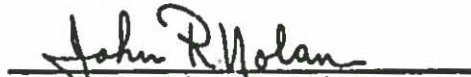
There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 P.M.



Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant

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APPROVED



John R. Nolan, President
Board of Representatives

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John R. Nolan, President