

Minutes of July 10, 1961  
Meeting of the Board of Representatives  
Stamford, Connecticut

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A regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, was held on Monday, July 10, 1961 in the Cafeteria of the Dolan Junior High School, Toms Road, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, John R. Nolan, at 8:10 P.M.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. William D. Henderson, Calvary Baptist Church, Springdale.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

THE PRESIDENT thanked Mr. Jack Cummings, President of the Rural Men's Republican Club for the beautiful American flag presented to the Board this evening.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 33 present and 7 absent at the calling of the roll. Several members arrived later, changing the roll call to 35 present and 5 absent. The absent members were: George Georgoulis, William Murphy, Edward Dombroski, Anthony Esposito and Stuart Palmer.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE - Fiscal year 1960 - 1961

Mayor J. Walter Kennedy read his annual message at this time. Copies were given to all Board members.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of May 11, 1961 (Special Budget Meeting)

There being no additions or corrections, the minutes of above meeting were accepted.

Meeting of June 5, 1961 (Regular monthly meeting)

The minutes of the above meeting were accepted, with two corrections on page 3136 under the report of the Fiscal Committee. Mrs. Austin and Miss Farina are to be noted in the Minutes as being present at the Fiscal Committee meeting held June 1, 1961.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The President requested Mrs. Farrell to read the Steering Committee report, which follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT  
Meeting held Monday, June 26, 1961

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, June 26, 1961 in the Mayor's Office, City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 P.M. by the Chairman, John R. Nolan.

The following members were present: John Nolan, Chairman; Paul Shapero, Peter Sileo, William Murphy, John DeForest, Eleanor Austin, Stephen Kelly, Clyde O'Connell, Daniel Reback, James Carey, M. Edwin Cole and Paul Callahan were also present.

The absent members were: Henry Nolan, Daniel Baker, George Russell, Jack McLaughlin and George Connors.

(1) Additional Appropriations:

All requests for additional appropriations previously approved by the Board of Finance at their June 8, 1961 meeting were referred to the FISCAL COMMITTEE. In the case of items of \$2,000 and over, (with the exception of pensions) these were also referred to a secondary committee.

- (2) Appeal - Anthony D. Arcano & Maria M. Arcano - From decision of Zoning Board on May 10, 1961, denying Application No. 61-006 to change use regulations of land situated within 300 feet of a school. (REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE)

- (3) Naval Training Center - Lease Renewal - Extension of lease between City and U. S. Government, from July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962 for property on Magee Avenue, covering approximately 8.84 acres, at cost of \$1.00 per annum. (Mayor's letter of 6/2/61) (REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE)

- (4) Sale of City-owned land to ALBERT PETRONE (Located on Holcomb Avenue, for the sum of \$1,000.00) (Mayor's letter 6/26/61) (REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE)

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- (6) HELIPORT LEASE RENEWAL - Between New York Airways and City - Covering City-owned property on Magee Avenue for \$250.00 from January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961, with a 90 day cancellation clause for either party. (Deferred by the Board of Finance on 4/14/61 and approved on 6/15/61) (REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE)

Mr. Sileo and Mr. Cole brought up the matter of the Helicopter not coming in for landing over the water but over homes in the vicinity, which is annoying the residents. Mr. Shapero, Chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee was asked to contact the proper authorities to see if something could not be done to alleviate this problem.

- (7) Proposed Ordinance - Concerning Hours of operation of theatres Letter dated June 22, 1961 from law firm of Wofsey, Rosen, Kueskin & Kuriansky, requesting amendment to Chapter 30, Section 6 of the Code of General Ordinances, pertaining to the exhibition of motion pictures on Sundays, between the hours of one o'clock P.M. and eleven-thirty o'clock P.M. (Above law firm represents Consolidated Theatres, Inc., and the Fairfield Theatre Corporation) (REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE)

- (8) Concerning rehabilitation of Rogers School - Card dated 5/31/61 from Peter H. Delaney - COPY ORDERED SENT TO BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THEIR INFORMATION

- (9) Concerning Frederick Street Improvement: (In the 1961-1962 Budget) It was decided to send a letter to the Commissioner of Public Works, Mr. John Canavan, asking that this work be done immediately. (Note: See Minutes of April 3, 1961 - page 3071 and Minutes of June 5, 1961 - page 3135)

- (10) Report from Parks & Recreation Committee, concerning two incidents--- one in Cummings Park and the other in Woodside Park.

STEVE KELLY, Chairman, submitted his report on the above matters.

- (11) NORTHWOODS ROAD - Request for acceptance as a public street (REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE)

- (12) PINNER LANE (Off High Ridge Road) - Request for acceptance as a public street. (REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE)

- (13) Settlers Trail - Request for acceptance as a public street (REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE)

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

(Report prepared  
by E. K.)

JOHN R. NOLAN, Chairman  
STEERING COMMITTEE

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. REBACK, Chairman, said the committee met on Thursday, July 6th in the Mayor's office. He said the following were present: Mrs. Ausin, Peter Sileo, George Russell, George Connors and Daniel Reback, Chairman. He said the following were absent: Rose Farina, Paul Callahan and Jack McLaughlin.

MR. REBACK: "All the items referred to our committee were taken up."

- (1) \$1,623.50 - FIREWORKS - Expenses for July 4th celebration - Code 486.70A - 1961-1962 fiscal year (As per Mayor's letter of 6/2/61)

MR. REBACK MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Meyers and CARRIED unanimously.

- (2) \$800.00 - SUNSET HOME -- Code 20 WH 462.18 (Building Maintenance) 1960-1961 Budget (Mayor's letter 6/2/61)

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

- (3) \$69,300.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE (1960-1961 Budget) (Mayor's letter 6/2/61) (REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$82,300.00)



MR. REBACK: "This item as approved by the Board of Finance was for \$77,300.00, being reduced from \$82,300.00. The Committee voted to REDUCE this to \$69,300.00, removing \$8,000 from Code 461.A, General Hospitals. This was done on the recommendation of Mr. Laturney."

MR. REBACK MOVED for approval of the above request, as outlined below.

MR. CAREY, Chairman of the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, to whom this had also been referred, said his committee concurred in the recommendation and seconded the motion. CARRIED unanimously:

Code 460.9	Outside Professional Fees-----	\$ 8,000.00
Code 460.14	Service Contracts & Repairs-----	3,300.00
Code 460.61	Cash Relief-----	30,000.00
Code 460.62	Child Placement-----	10,000.00
Code 461.A	General Hospital-----	18,000.00
		<u>\$69,300.00</u>

(4) \$44,959.10 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Cost of improvements on BRIDLE PATH, THREE LAKES DRIVE and WOODRIDGE DRIVE SOUTH (Mayor's letter 6/6/61)

City's Share-----	\$ 12,381.60
Property Owner's Share-----	32,577.50
	<u>\$44,959.10</u>

MR. REBACK MOVED for approval of the above request.

MR. HENRY NOLAN, Chairman of the Public Works Committee, said his committee concurred in the recommendation and seconded the motion.

MR. BAKER spoke in favor of the motion.

MR. RUSSELL said the Planning & Zoning Committee also concurs in the approval of this item.

MR. McLAUGHLIN said he wanted to know if this just took care of road construction or if there was something else involved. He said he also wanted to know how many property owners were involved and also how long a period it would take to pay the costs.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. McLaughlin if he was directing his question through the Chair. Mr. McLaughlin replied that he was.

MR. REBACK answered Mr. McLaughlin's question. He said: "This amount will pay for the drainage as well as the blacktopping as we would any city accepted road.

"The number of people who are involved -- I don't have the exact number, but in the letter of transmittal, they list the number of people and their names, so you will be able to identify each one.

"This will be paid for by the property owners in ten years at equal installment payments, added to their taxes."

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Henry Nolan a question. He said: "Mr. Nolan, didn't we have this information at our last meeting when we passed a resolution on it?" (Note: Resolution No. 358, page 3153, Minutes of June 5, 1961)

MR. HENRY NOLAN: "Yes, we had an exact breakdown, as to just how much each owner was going to pay."

MR. REBACK: "I would also like to go on record as heartily approving Mr. Nolan's work on this matter. Northwoods Road has been in deplorable condition and nothing has been done on it for years and now Mr. Nolan's committee has expedited this matter so that it will be processed under Chapter 64 of our Charter very rapidly so that the residents of Northwoods Road will have their road brought up to standard."

MR. HENRY NOLAN: "I am sorry that I shall have to take issue with that last remark - that it will be done rapidly. It is impossible under the procedure set up. This thing has to come THREE TIMES before the Board of Representatives and twice before the Board of Finance and a couple of times before the Mayor. It takes three months to even get going, if you don't get into any hitches along the way."

VOTE taken on Mr. Reback's motion for approval of item #4. CARRIED unanimously.

(5) \$1,700.00 - TOWN AND CITY CLERK - Code 470.9A - Fees, Hunting Licenses  
(Mayor's letter 6/2/61)

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

#### LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. SHAPERO presented the report of his committee. He said they met jointly with the Planning & Zoning Committee on July 5th to consider the appeal of Anthony Arcano, et al. Present were the following members: Paul Shapero, Chairman; Robert Meyers and Michael Macri. He said it was the opinion of the committee that the appeal was properly presented to the Board of Representatives.

A second meeting was held on July 10th at 7 P.M., at which time the following were present: Paul Shapero, Chairman; David Johnson, Daniel Baker, Michael Macri, Robert Meyers and Raymond Mazza. At this meeting the other matters referred to the committee were considered.

(1) APPEAL - ANTHONY D. ARCANO & MARIA M. ARCANO - From decision of Zoning Board on May 10, 1961, denying Application No. 61-006 to change use regulations of land situated within 300 ft. of a school.

MR. SHAPERO: "I will repeat here what we consider to be the function of the Legislative & Rules Committee in these matters. All we do is to consider whether or not the proper procedure has been followed in presenting the appeal to the Board. In this instance, it was the opinion of the Committee that the appeal was properly before the Board of Representatives."

Mr. Shapero then yielded the floor to Mr. Russell, Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, to present the report of his committee on this appeal.

Mr. Russell presented his committee report concerning the above appeal. He stated that the committee had held a joint meeting with the Legislative & Rules



Committee as previously reported by Mr. Shapero. Present were the following members of the Planning and Zoning Committee: George Russell, Chairman; Stanley Kulish, Patrick Scarella and Allen Shanen.

MR. RUSSELL: "After the Legislative and Rules Committee stated that the appeal was properly before this Board, both committees agreed to allow the attorneys and interested individuals present to be heard, at open committee meeting.

"Those present included attorneys Daniel Ryan, Jr., W. Patrick Ryan, David Babson, Jr., Ronald Schwartz, Irving Rosenblum, as well as members of the Legislative and Rules Committee.

"Letters from the Planning Board, as well as the results of the executive meeting of the Zoning Board on the above appeal were read.

"After a lengthy open meeting to hear the merits of the application, the Planning and Zoning Committee went into executive session. There was considerable discussion on the facts presented, as well as references from the transcript of the public hearing held by the Zoning Board, and the conclusions of the Zoning Board and Planning Board executive sessions, both of which rejected the application. A vote was taken by those present and it was agreed to sustain the action of the Zoning Board and thus recommend to reject the appeal. However, one of the members (Mr. Shanen) had to leave the meeting early before indicating whether or not he supported the other members.

"The reasons to reject were as follows:

"(1) That all commercially zoned property in Stamford would or could be affected to an undetermined degree under the present rapid, continual and changing growth of the city.

"(2) This would limit and discourage off-street parking by private commercial business.

"(3) That the main arguments surrounded potential and possible traffic conditions which the committee felt were basically Police Department problems and difficult to control or solve by a zoning regulation as spelled out in this appeal.

"(4) That the recommendations of the Planning Board not to approve this application because they felt that in its present form it presented questions that needed further study as well as being inadequate to meet the problems under consideration. Also, it was the unanimous vote of all five members of the Zoning Board to reject this application. The Zoning Board felt that this was basically in purpose similar to a previous application which they had heard and that it was still, in their opinion, discriminatory and too broad.

"(5) The Committee strongly felt that in the case of unanimous decisions of either the Planning or Zoning Boards and where strong indications were shown that said Boards fully heard and gave considerable thought before they gave their decisions, that the Board of Representatives should strongly consider said decision in the light of whether or not the Boards had acted arbitrarily and not to the best interests of the City as a whole, if they are to reverse said Board's decision whose sole purpose is controlled zoning for the best interest of the whole community.

"(6) That no PTA group, Citizens School League, St. Mary's school heads, or

other interested groups offered support for the appeal.

"As a result of the above facts, the committee voted three to one to sustain the action of the Zoning Board and thus reject the appeal, and so recommends their action to the Board."

MR. RUSSELL MOVED the proposed amendment be placed on the floor, as per Sections 553.2 and 556.1 of the City Charter. Seconded.

THE PRESIDENT explained that a motion in order to carry would need 21 votes.

MR. RUSSELL yielded the floor to Mr. Shanen at this time.

MR. SHANEN MOVED to approve the appeal. This was seconded by Mrs. Austin.

MR. SILEO spoke in favor of the petitioners and in opposition to Mr. Shanen's motion.

MR. COLE spoke in favor of the application.

MR. CALLAHAN spoke on behalf of the appeal.

MR. MULREED spoke in opposition to the appeal.

MR. CONNORS spoke in opposition to the appeal.

MR. RUSSELL spoke in favor of upholding the decision of the Zoning Board and asked the Board to sustain the decision of the Zoning Board.

MR. MACRI spoke in opposition to the appeal.

MR. SHANEN spoke for the second time in favor of his motion.

MR. CALLAHAN spoke for the second time on behalf of the appeal.

A RISING VOTE was taken on Mr. Shanen's motion to approve the appeal.

REJECTED by a vote of 14 in favor, 17 opposed and 3 abstentions, with the President not voting. (21 votes required to carry)

- (2) NAVAL TRAINING CENTER - LEASE RENEWAL - Extension of lease between City and U. S. Government, from July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962, for property on Magee Avenue, covering approximately 8.84 acres, at cost of \$1.00 per annum. (Mayor's letter of 6/2/61)

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

RESOLUTION NO. 362

LEASE RENEWAL - NAVAL TRAINING CENTER  
BETWEEN CITY AND U. S. GOVERNMENT, FROM  
JULY 1, 1961 TO JUNE 30, 1962, FOR PROP-  
ERTY ON MAGEE AVENUE, COVERING APPROXI-  
MATELY 8.84 ACRES



BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Stamford be authorized to execute an extension of a lease with the United States Government for 8.84 acres of land on Magee Avenue for a site for a Naval Reserve Training Center for the period July 1, 1961 to June 30, 1962 for an annual rental of One (\$1.00) Dollar.

- (3) Sale of City-owned land to ALBERT PETRONE (Located on Holcomb Avenue, for the sum of \$1,000.00) (Mayor's letter of 6/26/61)

(Note: Above matter has been pending since 1958. Originally deferred by Board of Finance on May 9, 1958, pending property appraisal - Approved by them on 6/15/61)

MR. SHAPERO: "The Committee recommends that this Board approve the sale of a parcel of land 15 ft. x 100 ft. on Holcomb Avenue to Albert Petrone, for \$1,000.00, and I SO MOVE." Seconded by Mr. Sileo and CARRIED unanimously.

- (4) Exchange of properties between City and ANDREW A LYNN at intersection of Stillwater Avenue and Cold Spring Road (Mayor's letter of 5/18/61)

MR. SHAPERO MOVED for approval of the exchange of properties between the City of Stamford and Andrew A. Lynn at the intersection of Stillwater Avenue and Cold Spring Road and that the Mayor of the City of Stamford is authorized to execute the necessary documents to bring about such exchange. Seconded by Mr. Nolan and CARRIED unanimously.

- (5) LEASE - HELIPORT - Between New York Airways and City, covering City-owned property on Magee Avenue for \$250.00 from January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961, with a 90 day cancellation clause for either party. (Deferred by Board of Finance 4/14/61 and approved 6/15/61) (Mayor's letter of 4/10/61) (Pursuant to Sec. 523 of Charter)

MR. SHAPERO MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Austin and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 363

LEASE - HELIPORT - BETWEEN NEW YORK AIRWAYS, INC. AND CITY OF STAMFORD, COVERING CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON MAGEE AVENUE FOR \$250.00, FROM JANUARY 1, 1961 TO DECEMBER 31, 1961, WITH A 90 DAY CANCELLATION CLAUSE FOR EITHER PARTY.

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Stamford be authorized to execute a lease prepared by the Corporation Counsel between the City of Stamford and the New York Airways, Inc., for property on Magee Avenue consisting of approximately 4.448 acres for use as a heliport upon the terms and conditions in said lease.



- (6) THEATRES - CONSOLIDATED THEATRES, INC. - Proposed Ordinance pertaining to exhibition of motion pictures on Sundays and hours of operation  
(Requested in letter of 6/22/61 from Attorney Julius Kuriansky)

MR. SHAPERO: "The Committee considered the request of Consolidated Theatres, Inc., Fairfield Theatre Corporation, Weiss Amusement Corporation and the Bedford Amusement Corporation and recommended the adoption of the following proposed Ordinance. Mr. Meyers did not participate in consideration of this item."

MR. SHAPERO MOVED for adoption for publication of the following proposed Ordinance. Seconded by Miss Farina and CARRIED. (Mr. Meyers disqualified himself from voting on this)

AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO THE EXHIBITION OF  
MOTION PICTURES ON SUNDAYS AND HOURS OF OPERATION

BE AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD  
THAT:

1. Chapter 30, Section 6 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford is hereby repealed and the following substituted in its place:

CHAPTER 30 - Section 6. SUNDAY MOVIES.

In accordance with Section 7-165 of the General Statutes, Revision of 1958, and any amendments thereto, motion picture exhibitions on Sundays, between the hours of one o'clock P.M. and eleven-thirty o'clock P.M., are hereby authorized.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. BAKER: "We don't have any matters to report for action, but we would like to report on several matters being considered by the committee."

Fluoridation:

MR. BAKER: "On fluoridation, we have completed two hearings. We heard the opponents first and the proponents second. The third hearing is scheduled for July 26th. We have received a request for a postponement. The committee will meet for a very brief meeting after this meeting to decide on the issue of postponement. We will have to hold this final public hearing and hear further from the State Public Health Department and the U. S. Department of Health and will then be in a better position to make a final report and recommendations to the Board."

Traffic Problem on Bridge Street:

MR. BAKER: "Some time ago a matter was referred to our Committee for investigation, concerning a traffic problem on Bridge Street, arising out of the removal of curbing in front of the Fashion Cleaners."

"We have conducted a hearing in which an interested resident, the Chief of Police and the Department of Public Works were represented, together with Committees and we were able to work out some changes which we believe will remedy this situation. Mr. Blois and Mr. Geronimo, Representatives of the 6th District, were also present at this meeting and made some very helpful suggestions."

Food Handling:

MR. BAKER: "The Committee has held a meeting with the Commissioner of Public Health for the purpose of investigating the matter of food handling. We intend to meet again soon for further discussions. That will then finish our investigations concerning the conduct of the Department of Health and at that time we will also go into the matter of the general affairs of the Department with the Commissioner for the purpose of getting an idea of what the problems are and in what way we may be helpful in arriving at a solution."

THE PRESIDENT: "Thank you, Mr. Baker."

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

MR. RUSSELL, already having reported on item #1 under his committee, considered earlier in the meeting under the report of the Legislative and Rules Committee, reported on the second matter under his committee.

(2) Acceptance of Roads:

MR. RUSSELL: "The Committee agreed to present the following roads for acceptance. They were certified by the City Engineer in his letter of July 6, 1961 and met with the approval of the committee. All maps referred to are filed in the office of the Town and City Clerk. The Committee recommends their acceptance."

SETTLERS TRAIL:

Extending southerly from West Trail to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 600 feet, width 27 feet, as shown on Map #6906.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for acceptance of the above street. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

CUSTER STREET:

Extending from the already accepted portion easterly, northerly, and thence easterly to Lawn Avenue. This portion of Custer Street is located within the City Housing Development off Lawn Avenue. Length, approximately 1,230 feet, width 40 feet. There is no map on file in the office of the Town and City Clerk. (The City Housing Authority is the Petitioner)

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for acceptance of the above street. No seconder.

JOHN NOLAN, President, relinquished his chair temporarily to the Clerk in order to address the Board on this matter.

JOHN NOLAN: "It is my understanding that this extension of Custer Street has met with some objections of the residents of the 9th District, in which myself and Mr. Mulreed represent. It would be my feeling at this time that if we could possibly get the cooperation of the Police Department in this area to install stop signs, it might be helpful if we held this up for a month in order to alleviate the bad traffic condition."

"What is happening is that people are using Custer Street for a thoroughfare coming from Lawn Avenue - that rather than going down Lawn Avenue, they are going down through the Housing Project and then going through Custer Street over to



Main Street and it has created a definitely hazardous condition. It would please me and Mr. Mulreed if this were held up for a month and if we could possibly get the Police to try and put a stop sign or something there. We have tried to do this, but have not, as yet, gotten any cooperation through."

It was agreed to hold up the acceptance of CUSTER STREET for another month in order to get the necessary signs or whatever regulations may be necessary to alleviate the traffic hazard, accomplished in the meantime. VOTE taken to hold this up another month. CARRIED.

(3) Resolution concerning NORTHWOODS ROAD AND PINNER LANE:

MR. RUSSELL MOVED for adoption of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Johnson and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 364

DIRECTING IMPROVEMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT  
ON NORTHWOODS ROAD AND PINNER LANE

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 NORTHWOODS ROAD (off Oaklawn Avenue) and PINNER LANE, in conformity with the specifications set forth in Ordinance No. 79 Supplemental of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS HEREBY 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 Board of Representatives so that they may properly proceed as under Sec. 640 of the Charter for the improvement and eventual acceptance of these roads as city streets.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. KELLY, Chairman, presented two reports on various matters under consideration by his committee.

Feasibility of City obtaining property adjacent to Southfield Park:

MR. KELLY: "The Committee met on Saturday, June 4, 1961 with the Representatives from the 2nd District, Anthony Truglia and Benjamin Kozlowski, to discuss the feasibility of the City obtaining the property adjacent to the Southfield Park. This item was referred to the Mayor.

Moving of Playground Equipment:

"Also discussed was the moving of playground equipment so as not to be too close to the baseball diamond for the safety of both young children and adult players.



Since that time the Board of Recreation moved the equipment.

Parking of Cars on grass area:

"Also recommended was that the adult ball players not park their cars on the road-side or on the grass, but at the parking area near the marina. The police will be asked to patrol and enforce this ruling, between the hours of 4 P.M. and 8 P.M., thus alleviating the traffic congestion near the entrance of Southfield Park.

Cummings Park Beach West End Project:

"This project is progressing rapidly and is now shaping up as a vast improvement. In the beginning it was held up by bad weather. As it now stands, it may be ready and the contractual work finished by July 30, 1961. Much of the non-contract work that remains to be done by department personnel will get under way as soon as capital funds are available.

New Facility Building at Horseshoe Beach:

"This building was formally dedicated on May 28, 1961 and opened for the public on May 30, 1961. The Park Department employees did all of the priming, painting and landscaping.

Southfield Park:

"This has come in for quite a few improvements. All of the grading and seeding is expected to be completed by October 1st. The Board of Recreation changed the location of the playground apparatus to make it safer for the children.

J. M. Wright Stadium:

"In a cooperative arrangement with the State, the Park Department has assumed the maintenance responsibilities of the stadium for the spring and summer of 1961, due to local teams previously playing in public parks using this State-owned field in the baseball season.

"With the combined efforts of the Park Department and the Department of Public Works, some six to eight acres at Southfield Park and a smaller area at Cove Island have and will be reclaimed, through operation land fill and incinerated residue being used to fill in low and previously unuseable land."

THE PRESIDENT. "Thank you, Mr. Kelly."

SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE (Re: Medical Arts Building)

MR. DEFOREST, Chairman, presented an interim report at this time.

MR. DEFOREST: "The Special Investigating Committee named to study alleged political influence relative to the Medical Arts Building on Morgan Street expects soon to weigh the information gleaned from testimony at committee hearings.

"The sub-committee has just completed its work and the full committee will meet soon to prepare a final report for the August meeting of the Board of Representatives."

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS & INDIVIDUALS:

Concerning Resignation of Walter E. Gaipa from Board of Education:

A copy of a letter of resignation, dated June 16, 1961, from Mr. Gaipa to the Board of Education was read at this time. (Effective July 1, 1961)

Appointment to BOARD OF EDUCATION -- FRANK H. D'ANDREA, JR. (R)

(To fill vacancy created by resignation of Walter E. Gaipa)

THE PRESIDENT declared a vacancy on the Board of Education. He said because Mr. Gaipa was a Republican, the vacancy must be filled by a Republican. He asked for nominations to fill the vacancy.

MR. DEFORREST offered the name of FRANK H. D'ANDREA, JR. (Republican) to fill out the unexpired term of Walter E. Gaipa, Republican, on the BOARD OF EDUCATION, term ending December 1, 1962.

Mr. DeForest presented the qualifications of Mr. D'Andrea at this time, and MOVED the nomination of Frank H. D'Andrea, Jr. to fill out the unexpired term of Walter E. Gaipa.

MR. CALLAHAN spoke in favor of the nomination.

MR. RUSSELL seconded the nomination and spoke in favor of the motion.

MR. MACRI, MR. SCARELLA, MR. KELLY and MR. MEYERS also spoke in favor of the nomination of Mr. D'Andrea.

There being no further nominations, the Chair declared the nominations closed, with Mr. D'Andrea elected unanimously, the Secretary casting one ballot in favor of the nomination.

NEW BUSINESS:(1) Sidewalks on High Ridge Road:

MR. HENRY NOLAN: "I would like to bring to the attention of the Board the problem on High Ridge Road. Residents in the area have complained to me because of the lack of sidewalks.

"This is creating a dangerous traffic problem, especially with the lack of traffic lights. I don't know what is taking the State so long to install these lights. Where the sidewalks should be there is now grass. I think this should be referred to the Health & Protection Committee to see if they can't do something about it."

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Nolan to please present this in writing and it would be brought to the attention of the Steering Committee at the next meeting for proper referral. It was so MOVED, seconded and CARRIED that this be done.

(2) Picnic:

MR. RUSSELL said the Picnic Committee were making plans for a Board picnic to be held sometime in the fall or the late summer.

ADJOURNMENT:

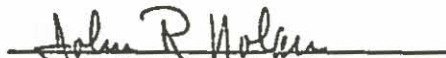
There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 P.M.

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Velma Farrell  
Administrative Assistant  
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:



John R. Nolan, President  
Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was broadcast over  
Radio Station WSTC and Audograph  
recordings made.

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Minutes of August 7, 1961  
Meeting of the Board of Representatives  
Stamford, Connecticut

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A regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, August 7, 1961 in the Cafeteria of the Dolan Junior High School, Toms Road, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, John R. Nolan, at 8:10 P.M.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Peter Botton, St. Cecelia's Catholic Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 28 present and 12 absent at the calling of the roll. Four members arrived later in the meeting, changing the roll call to 32 present and 8 absent.

The absent members were: Benjamin Kozlowski, George Georgoulis, Clyde O'Connell, Robert Meyers, Raymond Mazza, Stanley Kulish, Carmine Longo and Stuart Palmer.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Meeting of July 10, 1961

The Minutes were accepted with the exception of two corrections on page 3165, and 3171. Line 10, end sentence after the word "petitioners" with the sentence now reading: "MR. SILEO spoke in favor of the petitioners."

On page 3171, Mr. Henry Nolan asked to have the second sentence in the second paragraph under "New Business" changed to read: "I don't know why it is taking the State so long to install these lights."

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The President requested Mrs. Farrell to read the Steering Committee report, as follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT  
Meeting held Monday, July 24, 1961

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, July 24, 1961, in the Mayor's office, City Hall, at 8 P.M.

The Chairman, John R. Nolan, Presided. The following members were present: John Nolan, Eleanor Austin, James Carey, William Murphy, Peter Sileo, Daniel Baker, Clyde O'Connell and Jack McLaughlin. Also present were Rose Farina and Paul Callahan. Robert Meyers arrived later.

Absent were: John DeForest, Daniel Reback, Paul Shapero, Henry Nolan, Stephen Kelly, Allen Shanen, George Russell and George Connors.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

(1) Additional appropriations:

All requests for additional appropriations, previously approved by the Board of Finance at their July 13, 1961 meeting were referred to the FISCAL COMMITTEE. In the case of items of \$2,000