

Minutes of May 14, 1962
Meeting of the 7th Board of Representatives
Stamford, Connecticut

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A special meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, May 14, 1962, pursuant to a "Call" from the President, Paul D. Shapero, at the Dolan Jr. High School Cafeteria, Toms Road, Stamford, Conn.

After a caucus, the meeting was called to order by the President at 7:45 P.M.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 38 present and 2 absent at the calling of the roll. Mr. Connors arrived shortly thereafter, changing the roll call to 39 present and 1 absent. The absent member was Mr. Mazza.

"Call" of Meeting:

The President read the following "Call" of the meeting"

BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Room #23, City Hall
Stamford, Connecticut

May 7, 1962

I, PAUL D. SHAPERO, President of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 202 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a SPECIAL MEETING of said Board of Representatives, for

MONDAY, MAY 14, 1962

At the Walter Dolan Jr. High School
Cafeteria, Toms Road, Glenbrook

at 7:00 P.M.

for the following purpose:

To consider and act upon the OPERATING AND CAPITAL
BUDGETS for the fiscal year 1962-1963, as trans-
mitted by the Board of Finance on April 19, 1962.

(Signed) Paul D. Shapero,
President
Board of Representatives

THE PRESIDENT informed the members that he was going to interpret the rules of the Board as strictly as possible in order to achieve greater efficiency. He said he was particularly referring to the rule which says that no member shall speak more than twice on any one question. He also said a short recess would be called around 10 or 10:15 P.M.

The President explained that the meeting is called in such a way that there is one motion before the body, namely, the passage of the Operating and Capital Budgets and the Board will therefore only act on those items on which it is proposed to cut the amount that has been appropriated by the Board of Finance. In other words, any motion before the Board will be to change the amount of the appropriation downward.

The President said that, for instance, if the Fiscal Committee requests that a certain item be cut and it is the pleasure of the members to cut that item further, it will be necessary to move to amend the motion of the Fiscal Committee to further reduce the item in question. He said a vote would then be taken on the motion to amend, with a final vote taken on the original motion, and that the final vote will then be on the original motion, or as it has been amended.

THE PRESIDENT called upon the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, Robert M. Meyers.

MR. MEYERS said he wished to thank the members of his committee for the many hours they spent in meeting on the Budget. He said the committee met on Monday, April 30th from 8 P.M. until the small hours of the morning; they met on Tuesday, May 1st; on Wednesday, May 2nd; on Tuesday, May 8th; on Wednesday, May 9th; and also on Sunday, May 13th until 10:30 P.M. and again at 5 P.M. this afternoon until the present time. He said that when members of the committee asked questions on any item, they investigated the matter thoroughly and the committee has also gone out and inspected sites whether the item was small or large.

MR. MEYERS said he wished to call the members attention to the announcement he made at the May 7th meeting in reference to whether any Board member has an interest in any particular item or department, to please contact either him or members of his committee, in order that additional information might be obtained. He announced that no one has contacted him or any member of his committee within the last week.

THE PRESIDENT announced that the first Budget to be acted upon would be the Operating Budget:

OPERATING BUDGET --- 1962-1963

NOTE: The total amounts for each department will be given, and only in the case of items voted upon will any specific item be mentioned in that particular department budget.

Page 3 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - TOTAL OF \$37,775.36 APPROVED

BOARD OF SELECTMEN - TOTAL OF \$1,200.00 APPROVED

BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - TOTAL OF \$11,170.00 APPROVED

Page 5 - MAYOR'S OFFICE - TOTAL OF \$31,113.78 APPROVED

DEPARTMENT OF LAW:

Code 110.0901 - Spec. Professional Services: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to AMEND that this be reduced from \$4,500.00 to \$4,050.00. Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

MR. MEYERS spoke in favor of leaving this item alone and not reducing it. He said anyone familiar with the operation of the department knows that the money is not spent foolishly, and it was the unanimous vote of the committee that this item be left alone.

MR. BAKER, through the Chair, inquired on what basis Mr. Johnson wished to reduce this appropriation.

MR. JOHNSON replied that the Republican members of the Board felt that, in the interests of the people of Stamford, it was their feeling that these interests would be best served if Stamford is to continue to grow as a community in which one can live and carry on a business, that the continuing increase of taxes should be held in check. He spoke at some length.

MR. BAKER said he still did not have an answer as to why this money was not needed and that he, also, was just as much concerned with an orderly and economic running of the government.

MR. NOLAN requested a roll call vote on this item. LOST by the following roll call vote by a vote of 13 in favor and 25 opposed:

THOSE IN FAVOR

Samuel D. Cushing
Patrick J. Scarella
Vincent J. Vitt
Paul J. Kuczo, Jr.
William Walsh
Thomas A. Morris
Ronald M. Schwartz
Hilda S. Clarke
Michael S. Sherman
Frances Lilliendahl
David E. Oppenheimer
David L. Johnson
Jack McLaughlin

THOSE OPPOSED

Richmond A. Mead, Jr.
Benjamin Kozlowski
Anthony D. Truglia
Patsy Arruzza
Richard J. O'Neill
Rose C. Farina
Paul D. Shapero
Fred C. Blois
Jack Baer
Robert M. Meyers
James E. Mulreed
Eleanor R. Austin
Franklin Melzer
John R. Nolan
Allen J. Shanen
William D. Murphy
Stephen E. Kelly
Gerald J. Rybnick
Edward Dombroski
Stanley Kulowiec
Anthony Esposito
Carmine V. Longo
William G. Hearing
George Russell
Daniel Baker

MR. CONNORS arrived at this time, changing the roll call to 39 present and 1 absent.

Code 110,5402 - Settlement of Non-contract Claims: MR. JOHNSON MOVED TO AMEND that this be reduced from \$30,000.00 to \$20,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

MR. NOLAN spoke in opposition to the motion, and requested a roll call vote.

MR. MEYERS spoke in opposition to the motion and explained the necessity for this appropriation and said the committee was unanimously in favor of it.

After some further debate, a VOTE was taken by roll call on the above item and LOST by a vote of 8 in favor and 31 opposed:

THOSE IN FAVOR

Samuel D. Cushing

THOSE OPPOSED

Richmond A. Mead, Jr.

THOSE IN FAVOR

William G. Hearing
 William Walsh
 Thomas A. Morris
 Hilda S. Clarke
 Frances Lilliendahl
 David L. Johnson
 Patrick J. Scarella

THOSE OPPOSED (continued)

Benjamin Kozlowski
 Vincent J. Vitti
 Patsy Arruzza
 Richard J. O'Neill
 Rose C. Farina
 Paul D. Shapero
 Fred C. Blois
 Jack Baer
 Robert M. Meyers
 James E. Mulreed
 Eleanor R. Austin
 Franklin Melzer
 John R. Nolan
 Allen J. Shanen
 George V. Connors
 Paul J. Kuczo, Jr.
 William D. Murphy
 Stephen E. Kelly
 Gerald J. Rybnick
 Edward Dombroski
 Stanley Kulowiec
 Anthony Esposito
 Carmine V. Longo
 Ronald M. Schwartz
 George Russell
 Daniel Baker
 Michael S. Sherman
 David E. Oppenheimer
 Jack McLaughlin
 Anthony Truglia

TOTAL OF \$73,439.50 APPROVED for Department of Law.

Page 7 - TOWN AND CITY CLERK:

Code 112.2201 - New Equipment: MR. MEYERS MOVED that this be reduced from \$440.00 to \$220.00. Seconded by Mrs. Austin.

MR. SCHWARTZ spoke in opposition to the motion to reduce. He said, after talking to the women in the Town Clerk's Office about this request, he had been informed that this is badly needed to replace some very old typewriters, and because of the great amount of copying of land records it is imperative that good typewriters be supplied. He said the request to his mind was not unreasonable and should be allowed.

MR. SCARELLA requested a roll call vote. Mr. Meyer's motion to reduce the above request was LOST by the following vote of 19 in favor and 20 opposed.

THOSE IN FAVOR

Samuel D. Cushing
 Richmond A. Mead, Jr.
 Patrick J. Scarella
 Rose C. Farina
 Robert M. Meyers
 Eleanor R. Austin

THOSE OPPOSED

Anthony D. Truglia
 Benjamin Kozlowski
 Vincent J. Vitti
 Patsy Arruzza
 Richard J. O'Neill
 Paul D. Shapero

THOSE IN FAVOR

George V. Connors
 Paul J. Kuczo, Jr.
 William D. Murphy
 Stephen E. Kelly
 Gerald J. Rybnick
 William G. Hearing
 William Walsh
 Thomas A. Morris
 Hilda S. Clarke
 George Russell
 Frances Lilliendahl
 David L. Johnson
 Jack McLaughlin

THOSE OPPOSED (continued)

Fred C. Blois
 Jack Baer
 James E. Mulreed
 Franklin Melzer
 John R. Nolan
 Allen J. Shanen
 Edward Dombroski
 Stanley Kulowiac
 Anthony Esposito
 Carmine V. Longo
 Ronald M. Schwartz
 Daniel Baker
 Michael S. Sherman
 David E. Oppenheimer

TOTAL OF \$75,089.19 APPROVED for TOWN AND CITY CLERK

Page 7 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE:

Code 114.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph: MR. MEYERS said the committee voted to reduce this from \$500.00 to \$400.00 and SO MOVED. Seconded by Mrs. Austin.

THE PRESIDENT explained a vote of "yes" was in favor of cutting \$100.00 from the item and a vote of "no" was opposed to the cut.

MR. SCARELLA MOVED for a roll call vote. Seconded and LOST by a show of hands.

VOTE taken on the motion and CARRIED to reduce the above item from \$500.00 to \$400.00.

TOTAL OF \$20,827.00 APPROVED for COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

Page 9 - BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS:

Code 116.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph: MR. MEYERS said the committee had voted to reduce this from \$725.00 to \$625.00 and SO MOVED. Seconded by Mrs. Austin. CARRIED by a voice vote.

TOTAL OF \$107,338.47 APPROVED for BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS.

BUREAU OF PURCHASES:

TOTAL OF \$31,175.07 for BUREAU OF PURCHASES APPROVED

Page 10 - STAMFORD MUSEUM - TOTAL OF \$ 85,000.00 APPROVED

FERGUSON LIBRARY - TOTAL OF \$450,000.00 APPROVED

Page 13 - VETERAN'S SERVICE - TOTAL OF \$13,165.00 APPROVEDMIMEOGRAPH DEPARTMENT -

Code 126.2201 - New Equipment: MR. MEYERS said the committee voted to reduce this from \$1,685.00 to \$860.00 and SO MOVED. Seconded by Miss Farina and CARRIED by a voice vote.

TOTAL OF \$22,115.00 APPROVED for MIMEOGRAPH DEPARTMENT

Page 13 - PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES COMMISSION:

TOTAL OF \$6,625.00 APPROVED

VETERAN'S GRAVES COMMISSION:

TOTAL OF \$4,000.00 APPROVED

Page 15 - GENERAL INSURANCE - \$64,980.00 APPROVED

EMPLOYEES' MEDICAL & HOSPITAL - \$10,000.00 APPROVED

PLANNING BOARD:

Code 134.2201 - New Equipment: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this from \$1,635.00 to \$1,320.00, thereby cutting out the electric typewriter. Seconded by Mr. Connors. CARRIED.

Code 134.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this by \$7,000.00, making a new figure of \$30,767.60. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick.

MR. MEYERS spoke in opposition to Mr. Johnson's motion. He said there is a great need for a draftsman and a clerk typist for this office so that those in the upper echelon can devote more time to their work. He said the committee thoroughly investigated this item and it was their unanimous vote not to reduce this item. He pointed out that the Board of Finance has already cut out a reclassification.

MR. NOLAN requested Mr. Russell's opinion as to whether or not the Planning Board needs a clerk typist and a draftsman. He said he would be guided by his opinion.

MR. RUSSELL explained the need to create these additional positions. He said it had been pointed out to them by the Planning Board that they are rather undermanned comparable to other cities the size of Stamford located in the metropolitan area.

MR. SCARELLA spoke in favor of the motion.

MR. JOHNSON corrected his motion to delete the salaries of the new personnel, the Draftsman and the Clerk-Typist II, by reducing it by \$8,040.00, making a new total for Code 134.0101 of \$29,727.00.

MR. NOLAN MOVED for a roll call vote. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT explained that a vote of yes is a vote in favor of the cut, and a vote of no is a vote against the reduction. LOST by the following roll call vote of 6 in favor and 23 opposed:

THOSE IN FAVOR

Patrick J. Scarella
William G. Hearing
William Walsh
Ronald M. Schwartz
Frances Lilliendahl
David L. Johnson

THOSE OPPOSED

Samuel D. Cushing
Richmond A. Mead, Jr.
Benjamin Kozlowski
Anthony D. Truglia
Vincent J. Vittl
Patsy Arruzza
Richard J. O'Neill
Rose C. Farina
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Anthony Esposito
Carmina V. Longo
Thomas A. Morris
Hilda S. Clarke
George Russell
Daniel Baker
Michael S. Sherman
David E. Oppenheimer
Jack McLaughlin

Code 134.0101 - Salaries: MR. SCHWARTZ MOVED to delete \$3,852.00 salary for a new clerk typist. Seconded. LOST by a rising vote of 14 in favor and 25 opposed.

TOTAL OF \$42,357.60 APPROVED for Planning Board.

Page 15 - BOARD OF TAX REVIEW - TOTAL OF \$275.00 APPROVED

Page 17 - ZONING BOARD - TOTAL OF \$7,066.00 APPROVED

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - TOTAL OF \$7,395.00 APPROVED

TAXATION BOARD - TOTAL OF \$330.00 APPROVED

Page 19 - ASSESSOR'S OFFICE - TOTAL OF \$80,905.03 APPROVED

Page 21 - TAX COLLECTOR - TOTAL OF \$97,545.21 APPROVED

RESERVE FOR TAX REFUNDS - TOTAL OF \$5,000.00 APPROVED

Page 23 - BOARD OF FINANCE - TOTAL OF \$14,415.00 APPROVEDPENSIONS

Code 162. Group Life Insurance: MR. CUSHING MOVED that this be reduced from \$42,500.00 to \$29,000.00, or a cut of \$13,500.00. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

MR. MEYERS explained that this was a contractual relationship that the city is committed to and that a recent appropriation was to take care of the unexpired term and this amount is to take care of the next fiscal year under the contract. He explained that this cannot be cut as it represents the exact amount needed.

MR. SHERMAN called attention to the Minutes of the March 5, 1962 meeting (page 3325, item #6) at which time this Board approved a \$5,000.00 appropriation for Code 162. Group Life Insurance. He said it was his impression at that time that the insurance carrier had indicated an increase of \$5,000 for a six months period, which would mean a total increase for the year of \$10,000.

MR. NOLAN said a thing like this, which is a contractual situation, that if any member who had a question about this, should have raised it before now and asked the Chairman to look into it. He said it would appear that it is based on the number of employees and thus would account for the increase, and that the time to ask questions was when the Fiscal Committee was meeting on the budget so that they could have looked into it.

MR. SCARELLA said it was his belief that the premiums would be a little higher this year, accounting for the increase.

MR. CUSHING withdrew his motion.

TOTAL OF \$723,023.76 APPROVED

Page 25 - CIVIL SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Code 174.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to delete \$5,871.00 (new Personnel Technician) Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

MR. MEYERS explained the need for this new personnel.

MR. MULREED explained why this Personnel Technician was needed. He said it was necessary in order to verify job information.

MR. SCARELLA spoke in opposition to the motion.

VOTE taken on Mr. Johnson's motion. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$31,804.56 APPROVED

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES PENSION FUND - TOTAL OF \$6,352.00 APPROVED

PROBATE COURT:

Code 188.2201 - New Equipment: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this from \$1,000.00 to \$600.00. Seconded by Miss Farina. CARRIED

TOTAL OF \$7,450.00 APPROVED

Page 27 - SEWER COMMISSION - TOTAL OF \$6,743.00 APPROVED

PRINTING LEGISLATIVE BILLS - TOTAL OF \$500.00 APPROVED

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT - \$2,076,195.53 APPROVED

Page 29 - DEBT SERVICE - TOTAL OF \$2,448,201.00 APPROVED

Page 35 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - TOTAL OF \$8,865,000.00 APPROVED

In reference to the above Board of Education Budget, Mr. Meyers presented the following report of the Fiscal Committee:

The Fiscal Committee has given much consideration and thought to the question of the Board of Education Budget.

The governmental structure under which we operate provides for no control by the Board of Representatives as to how the monies allocated to the Education budget are spent. If we were to vote that a particular item should be deleted or reduced there is no assurance that our recommendations would be followed. The Board of Education could re-allocate their budget to compensate for our recommendation. In view of the size of the budget (\$8,865,000.00) approximately 45% of the total Operating Budget - we believe that if a budget were to be treated similarly to the other city departments, economies might be accomplished.

We think that the competitive position of Stamford as to attracting new teachers is very favorable under this budget. In this budget we have accepted and approved the action of the Board of Education in raising the salary schedule which includes increase of starting pay schedules for new teachers. We believe that there will be adequate inducements for the more competent teachers to teach in Stamford. The Board of Education should have no difficulty whatsoever in staffing and equipping the new schools.

We believe that the time has arrived when the Board of Education should operate the school system well within the present budget for the next several years. We realize that there are yearly increments and other similar items which may increase. However, in view of the recent expansion of operations and increase in budget, there should be a time, and we believe this is it, to hold the line.

We believe that the Board of Education has the intention to control the future budgets. With this in mind, we recommend no further deletions from the current Board of Education budget.

Page 37 - WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Code 410.0101 - Salaries: MR. MEYERS said the committee voted unanimously to reduce the salary account from \$121,775.90 to \$116,605.90, in effect, deleting the new personnel (Case Worker) and he SO MOVED. Seconded by Miss Farina AND CARRIED.

Code 410.0501 - Telephone: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this from \$2,400.00 to \$2,200.00. Seconded by Miss Farina.

MR. JOHNSON MOVED TO AMEND the above motion to reduce this to \$2,000.00, being a total reduction of \$400.00. VOTE taken on Mr. Johnson's amendment. LOST.

VOTE taken on Mr. Meyers' motion to reduce Code 410.0501 to \$2,200.00
CARRIED.

Code 410.2201 - \$450.00 - New Equipment: MR. MEYERS MOVED that this be
DENIED. Seconded by Mrs. Austin. CARRIED.

TOTAL OF \$338,375.90 APPROVED for Welfare Department

Page 39 - HOSPITALS - TOTAL OF \$118,500.00 APPROVED

SUNSET HOME - TOTAL OF \$69,965.27 APPROVED

THE SMITH HOUSE

Code 440.6002 - Provisions: MR. MEYERS MOVED this be reduced from
\$41,062.50 to \$30,000.00, thereby cutting this by \$11,062.50.
Seconded by Mr. Johnson. MR. MEYERS explained that the committee
felt that the operating budget passed by the Board of Finance,
which they understood was supposed to take care of a six months
period, should practically take care of a 12 months period. He
said it was the committee's recommendation that the Smith House
be staffed in accordance with the minimum state regulations that
have just been promulgated, which have reduced substantially
personnel requirements for hospitals of this nature, and it was
the committee's considered opinion that the staff listed for the
Smith House was more than was necessary. For this reason and
the fact that there was a grossly disproportionate amount for
the Sunset Home which houses approximately the same number of
people, they made this recommendation to reduce.

VOTE taken on the above motion to reduce and CARRIED by a vote of
31 in favor, 7 opposed, with 1 abstention (Mr. Nolan).

TOTAL OF \$179,928.50 APPROVED

TOTAL WELFARE & INSTITUTIONS APPROVED: \$706,769.67

Page 41 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Code 510.1701 - Auto, Oper. & Maint.: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce
this from \$3,350.00 to \$3,000.00, thereby deleting \$350.00.
Seconded by Miss Farina and CARRIED.

Code 510.2202 - Autos - New: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this from
\$4,800.00 to \$3,200.00. Seconded by Mrs. Austin and CARRIED.

Code 510.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this from
\$119,026.40 to \$113,399.40, thereby cutting out 1 Public Health
Sanitarian at a salary of \$5,627.00 (the rest of new personnel
having been cut out by the Board of Finance), thereby resulting
in no new personnel for the Health Department. There being no
second, the motion was withdrawn.

TOTAL OF \$136,047.40 APPROVED.

DOG WARDEN - TOTAL OF \$4,876.04 APPROVED

Page 43 - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Code 530.0101 - Salaries - TOTAL OF \$1,315,391.00 APPROVED

Page 45 - POLICE DEPARTMENT (Continued)

TOTAL OF \$1,453,791.00 APPROVED

Page 47 - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Code 540.0101 - Salaries - TOTAL OF \$1,124,166.57 APPROVED

Page 49 - FIRE DEPARTMENT (continued)

TOTAL OF \$1,232,211.57 APPROVED

Page 51 - HYDRANTS & WATER SUPPLY - TOTAL OF \$105,150.00 APPROVED

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Code 560.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this from \$2,800.00 to \$2,500.00. Seconded by Mr. Oppenheimer and LOST.

TOTAL OF \$27,627.99 APPROVED

Page 53 - VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS:

Code 571. Belltown Fire Department: MR. MEYERS MOVED this be reduced from \$50,000.00 to \$49,200.00. Seconded by Mr. Murphy.

Mr. Meyers explained the reason the committee felt this should be reduced. He said they thought the Miscellaneous Expenses were excessive and this was the way they felt about all the various volunteer fire department budgets and had accordingly recommended cuts in all of them.

MR. SCARELLA spoke in opposition to the reduction. MR. MEYERS said the committee had gone into a great deal of detail and were convinced that these requests were excessive and could easily be reduced.

VOTE taken on Mr. Meyers' motion to reduce Code 571 to \$49,200.00. CARRIED.

Code 572. New Hope Fire Department: MR. MEYERS MOVED this be reduced from \$70,000.00 to \$68,500.00 for the same reason he had previously given. He said they had also considered a reduction in the Building Maintenance Account of \$1,000.00, reducing that from \$7,000.00 to \$6,000.00 for the reason that it was a relatively new building. Seconded by Miss Farina.

MR. SCHWARTZ spoke in opposition to the motion.

MR. MEYERS said the members of the committee were very favorably impressed with the long hours of service given by all members of the volunteer fire departments

and the self sacrificing service that they render to the city. He pointed out that the cuts that were made by the committee are extremely minor in nature - that the reduction made in the Maintenance Account for the New Hope Fire Department was considered in the light of all the other volunteer fire departments. He called Mr. Schwartz' attention to the Building Maintenance account in the Belltown Fire Department which is considerably less (\$1,186.00); the one for the Long Ridge Fire Department is \$2,500.00; and the Springdale Fire Department, built around the same time is only \$2,500.00 and the Turn-of-River Fire Department's budget for Building Maintenance is only \$1,400.00. He said the committee felt that the expenditure of \$7,000.00 was rather out of line in comparison with the others, and for these reasons the committee felt it should be reduced.

VOTE taken on Mr. Meyers' motion to reduce Code 572 from \$70,000.00 to \$68,500.00, and CARRIED.

Page 53 - Code 573. Long Ridge Fire Department: MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this requested appropriation from \$35,000.00 to \$34,600.00. He said this reduction is again directed to the Miscellaneous expense account. Seconded by Miss Farina.

MR. OPPENHEIMER spoke in objection to the reduction, and said he would vote against the reduction.

MR. MEYERS called the members attention to Code 573.14 - Alarm System, Extension in the amount of \$10,000.00. Under these circumstances he said the committee felt that the Miscellaneous expense account could very safely be reduced by \$400.

After some further discussion, a VOTE was taken on Mr. Meyers' motion. CARRIED.

Page 55 - Code 574. Turn of River Fire Department: MR. MEYERS MOVED this be reduced from \$43,000.00 to \$42,550.00. Seconded by Miss Farina. CARRIED, with one dissenting vote.

Code 575. Springdale Fire Department: MR. MEYERS MOVED this be reduced from \$30,000.00 to \$29,600.00. Seconded by Miss Farina. CARRIED with two dissenting votes. (Mrs. Clarke and Mrs. Lilliendahl).

Code 578. Investigation of Fires: TOTAL OF \$75.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$224,525.00 APPROVED for Volunteer Fire Departments

TOTAL PROTECTION TO PERSONS & PROPERTY in amount of \$3,184,229.00 APPROVED.

THE PRESIDENT said that Mr. Hearing would like the record to show that they are opposed to any reduction in any of the volunteer fire departments.

Page 57 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

ADMINISTRATION

Code 602.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph: MR. JOHNSON MOVED this be reduced from \$3,700.00 to \$3,200.00. Seconded by Mr. Cushing. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$77,982.00 APPROVED

Code 604. Weights and Measures: TOTAL OF \$7,443.50 APPROVED

Page 52 - BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS AND MAINTENANCE

Code 606.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this from \$421,308.00 to \$411,308.00, thereby deleting \$10,000 from New Personnel.

MR. MEYERS called Mr. Johnson's attention to an apparent error in arithmetic. He said the Board of Finance has already reduced this appropriation by about one-half. He spoke in opposition to any further reduction in this account.

VOTE on Mr. Johnson's motion. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$532,816.00 APPROVED

BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS - YARD #2: TOTAL OF \$47,692.00 APPROVED

Page 61 - CROSBY STREET PUMPING STATION: TOTAL OF \$4,500.00 APPROVED

BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS - YARD #1: MR. MEYERS said he was not going to make a motion on this appropriation as a result of a tie vote by his committee. He said the committee decided that he was to report that this item was discussed and a motion had been made to reduce the salary account to \$71,444.00 which resulted in a tie vote - that he had not voted to break the tie but rather to leave it for the Board's consideration.

Code 612.0101 - \$76,381.00 Salaries: No motion being made, this item was declared approved by the President.

TOTAL OF \$79,787.00 APPROVED

STREET CLEANING: TOTAL OF \$127,834.00 APPROVED

Page 63 - STREET LIGHTING: TOTAL OF \$325,000.00 APPROVED

MAINTENANCE OF SANITARY SEWERS:

Code 618.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED this be reduced from \$27,410.00 to \$22,284.00, thus reducing it by \$5,126.00 (New Personnel)

MR. BLOIS asked just where Mr. Johnson was proposing this cut. Mr. Johnson said the Board of Finance cut the \$8,038.00 for the two Laborers at \$4,019.00 and he would presume this would then eliminate the remaining Maintenance Tradesworker II at a salary of \$5,126.00.

MR. SCARELLA opposed the reduction. Mr. Meyers said he was in complete agreement. VOTE on Mr. Johnson's motion. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$28,185.00 APPROVED

INCINERATOR & SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

MR. MEYERS said he was not offering a motion on this, as a motion had been made in committee to reduce the Salaries Account, with a vote resulting in a tie. He said he was therefore leaving it up to the Board.

Code 620.0101 - Salaries: MR. JOHNSON MOVED this be reduced by \$12,158.00, thereby eliminating the new personnel, which would reduce this account from \$319,400.00 to \$307,242.00. Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

MR. NOLAN said he thought this was false economy and the city would have to pay for lack of maintenance in the long run.

MR. MEYERS spoke in opposition to the motion.

MR. SCARELLA said these men are needed to maintain the sanitary sewers.

MR. BAKER reminded the members of the time when the garbage trucks paraded around City Hall, caused by the one incinerator the city owned not being properly maintained, and the reopening of the Scofieldtown dump, resulting in a great deal of resentment of people in that District. He urged that proper maintenance be given.

VOTE taken on Mr. Johnson's motion. LOST.

Code 620.2201 - New Equipment: MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this from \$35,000.00 to \$25,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

MR. SCARELLA spoke in opposition to the reduction.

VOTE taken on Mr. Johnson's motion. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$446,136.00 APPROVED.

RECESS:

THE PRESIDENT declared a recess at this time (10:00 P.M.) to enable the members to have a "coffee break".

The recess was over at 10:30 P.M. and the members resumed their seats.

Page 65 - PUMPING STATIONS #2, #3 and #4: TOTAL OF \$23,906.00 APPROVED

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Code 624.1216 - \$7,170.00 Maint. of Sunset Home Dump: MR. JOHNSON asked to have this appropriation explained. He wanted to know the need for a fence around the property.

MR. MEYERS said it was a very big fence.

MR. JOHNSON MOVED to eliminate the fence, deleting the \$6,000.00. No seconder.

TOTAL OF \$454,856.00 APPROVED.

Page 67 - ENGINEERING

Code 626.0101 - Salaries: MR. MEYERS said the committee voted to reduce this account from \$262,629.00 to \$252,048.00. He said the reason for this was because the Committee did not believe a competent engineer could be obtained for this kind of salary. He said the committee recommends that the Engineering Department request a salary

for a Senior Engineer that would be commensurate with the position.
MR. MEYERS MOVED to reduce this by \$10,581.00. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

MR. NOLAN spoke in opposition to the motion.

MR. BAKER said he thought there was a misconception as to the type of position under discussion and if the Board is interested in the nature of the duties performed, he would suggest that they invite the Commissioner of Public Works to address the Board and explain the duties of the job.

MR. NOLAN explained that what is being discussed is one Senior Engineer at a salary of \$6,393.00 and an Engineering Aid II at a salary of \$4,188.00. He suggested that if they find it impossible to fill the job at this salary, it will go right back into the General Fund and would not be expended.

MR. MEYERS explained that it was with great reluctance on the part of the members of the committee that this matter was voted out. He suggested that a five minute recess be held in order for the members of the committee to discuss this with Mr. Canavan.

MR. BAKER MOVED for suspension of the rules to allow Mr. Canavan to explain this requested appropriation. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. CANAVAN explained the nature of the job. He said it was not an Engineer in the strict sense of the word - not a graduate Engineer, but rather a man who could lay out land and grade and see that the contractor adheres to the specifications. He explained that the only Engineers in the department are the City Engineer and the Assistant City Engineer, who are graduate Engineers, and possess an Engineer's license. He explained at some length the nature of the job and the need for these new personnel.

After some further debate a VOTE was taken on MR. MEYERS' motion to delete this requested appropriation. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$271,634.00 APPROVED for Engineering Department

Page 69 - BUILDING BUREAU: TOTAL OF \$81,278.00 APPROVED

CITY HALL & OTHER BUILDING MAINTENANCE: TOTAL OF \$45,180.00 APPROVED

ELM STREET SCHOOL & COURTLAND PARK BUILDING: TOTAL OF \$12,094.00 APPROVED

Page 71 - CIRCUIT COURTHOUSE: TOTAL OF \$15,376.00 APPROVED

FLOOD & EROSION: TOTAL OF \$12,750.00 APPROVED

GAS, OIL & REPAIRS: TOTAL OF \$60,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$2,654,449.50 APPROVED for Public Works

Page 73 - PARK COMMISSION: TOTAL OF \$309,729.48 APPROVED

Page 75 - BOARD OF RECREATION: TOTAL OF \$192,516.65 APPROVED

Page 77 - HUBBARD HEIGHTS: TOTAL OF \$72,540.68 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$574,786.81 APPROVED FOR PARKS AND RECREATION

Page 77 - OTHERS:

Sundries - TOTAL OF \$3,500.00 APPROVED

Salary Adjustment - TOTAL OF \$140,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL for Sundries and Salary Adjustment - \$143,500.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET APPROVED ----- \$20,653,131.51

TOTALS FOR 1962-1963 OPERATING BUDGET:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT -----	\$ 2,076,195.53
DEBT SERVICE -----	2,448,201.00
WELFARE -----	706,769.67
PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY -----	3,184,229.00
PUBLIC WORKS -----	2,654,449.50
PARKS & RECREATION -----	574,786.81
SALARY ADJUSTMENT -----	140,000.00
SUNDRIES -----	<u>3,500.00</u>
MAYOR'S BUDGET -----	\$11,788,131.51
EDUCATION -----	<u>8,865,000.00</u>
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGETS -----	<u>\$20,653,131.51</u>

CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1962-1963Page 3 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTSANITARY SEWERS:1. Extension of Sanitary Sewers South of Parkway

MR. JOHNSON said it was his understanding that there was almost \$600,000.00 left in unused reserve as of the last fiscal year. He asked if this was still in existence.

MR. MEYERS said if he was referring to the "last fiscal year" it would mean July of 1961 and since that time the program has been in full force and effect, so that money would have been expended by now. He said even if it had not all been expended, it has been allocated as it is all contract work - that several

contracts are under way and in different stages of completion. He explained that he believed it might show unexpended funds, but not unencumbered funds.

MR. SCHWARTZ said the appropriation seems high and he did not see how all these projects could be undertaken at the same time.

MR. SCHWARTZ MOVED that the sum of \$500,000.00 be deleted from "Sanitary Sewers" thus reducing it from a total of \$1,650,000.00 to \$1,150,000.00. He said from the latest figures he has been able to obtain it would seem as though there was somewhere near \$400,000.00 left in this account. Seconded by Mr. Johnson.

MR. NOLAN inquired as to just where the sewer line is now. He said he thought it has about reached the 16th District and will be extended to the 18th District. He said he would like to know where Mr. Schwartz obtained these figures and if the maker of the motion realizes just how the elimination of these funds would affect the sewer line.

MR. SCHWARTZ said he was quite sure that Mr. Nolan was well aware of what he was saying - that if there happens to be \$500,000.00 left in the budget from the previous year - that if "we cut it out of the appropriation, we'll still end up with \$2,000,000.00"-----

MR. SCARELLA MOVED to hear from the Commissioner of Public Works on this matter. Seconded and CARRIED.

Mr. Canavan, Commissioner of Public Works, spoke briefly to the members, explaining how the sewer extension program works.

After some further debate, a VOTE was taken on Mr. Schwartz' motion to DELETE \$500,000 from the Sanitary Sewer account. LOST.

VOTE taken on item #1 - \$1, 500,000.00 Extension of Sanitary Sewers - South of Parkway. CARRIED.

Page 3 - SANITARY SEWERS (continued):

2. West Side Relief Line (West Main Street to South Street)

\$150,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL SANITARY SEWERS - \$1,650,000.00 APPROVED

Page 5 - STORM DRAINS

1. City Wide Storm Drains - \$15,000.00 APPROVED

2. Westover School-Alvord Lane - Storm Drain - \$175,000.00 APPROVED

3. High Clear Drive - \$30,000.00 APPROVED

4. Brook Run Lane was disapproved by the Board of Finance - no action

5. Research Drive - \$16,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$236,000.00 APPROVED

Page 7 - HIGHWAYS

1. North-South Artery was disapproved by the Board of Finance - no action

Page 7 - HIGHWAYS (continued)

2. West Avenue Widening - \$13,000.00

MR. JOHNSON MOVED the above be DENIED. Seconded by Mr. McLaughlin. Mr. Johnson said because this had been reduced so much by the Board of Finance, he could see no point in giving them a token appropriation. (Reduced from \$77,952.00 by Board of Finance)

MR. RUSSELL said he questioned the benefit to be gained by giving them such a small sum to put in a sidewalk for a couple of blocks and then start tearing them out the following year in order to allow for widening. He said he had not attended the meeting when this was discussed and would like to have the reason for allowing such a small amount.

MR. SCARELLA said he also would like to be enlightened.

MR. MEYERS explained the money would be used to put in sidewalks. He called attention to the letter from the Board of Finance on this matter, giving their reasons for reducing the appropriation, in which they say the reduced sum is to cover the cost of curbing and sidewalks only. He said the committee felt that as long as the project was not going through, the least they could do for the people in that area was to give them sidewalks for their protection.

MR. JOHNSON withdrew his motion.

\$13,000.00 APPROVED for the above project

3. Fairfield Avenue (at Stevens School) - \$7,867.00

MR. MEYERS said the Fiscal Committee voted to DENY the above appropriation and SO MOVED. Seconded by Miss Farina.

MR. SCHWARTZ spoke against the motion.

After some further debate on the above motion, it was put to a VOTE and LOST by a vote of 18 in favor and 21 opposed.

\$7,867.00 APPROVED for above project

TOTAL OF \$20,867.00 APPROVED

Page 9 - SIDEWALKS AND/OR CURBING

1. Curbing - City-Wide \$12,000.00 APPROVED
2. Sidewalks - City Wide - \$15,000.00 APPROVED
3. Pressprich-Irving - Curb. Walks - \$28,000.00 APPROVED
4. Board of Education - Sidewalks - \$25,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$80,000.00 APPROVED

Page 11 - NEW CONSTRUCTION

1. Incinerator Unit - \$47,000.00 APPROVED
 2. Sanitary Landfill Area #1. Incinerator - \$50,000.00 APPROVED
- TOTAL OF \$97,000.00 APPROVED

Page 13 - NEW EQUIPMENT

New Equipment - TOTAL OF \$75,000.00 APPROVED

Page 15 - BRIDGES

1. Pulaski Street - \$10,000.00 APPROVED

Page 17 - FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL

1. Hurricane Protection
 (Total Cost: \$5,586,000
 (Federal Share: \$3,030,000
 (State: \$1,278,000
 (City: ----- \$100,000.00 APPROVED
 2. Cove Island Jetty - City's Share ----- 2,600.00 APPROVED
 3. Cummings Park Jetty - City's Share ----- 2,500.00 APPROVED
- TOTAL OF \$105,100.00 APPROVED

Page 19 - PARK COMMISSION

1. Cummings Park & Beach CP-6263 A & B -
Building and General Improvement ----- \$ 35,000.00 APPROVED
2. East Beach, Cove Island K-6263-A
Building ----- \$100,000.00 APPROVED
3. Cove Island Park - K-6263-A
General Improvement ----- \$60,000.00

MR. JOHNSON MOVED to reduce this appropriation to \$50,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Sherman.

MR. CONNORS spoke in opposition to the motion.

MR. KELLY also spoke in opposition to the motion.

VOTE taken on Mr. Johnson's motion. Lost.

\$60,000.00 APPROVED for above project.

4. Woodside Park - WP-6263-B
Building and General Improvement ----- \$ 30,000.00 APPROVED

Page 19 - PARK COMMISSION (continued)

5. Rosa Hartman Park
RH-6263-A ----- \$ 10,000.00 APPROVED

6. Game Areas - GA-6263-A ----- 20,000.00 APPROVED

Page 21 - 7. Marinas - M-6263-A ----- 10,000.00 APPROVED

8. Major Maintenance - MM-6263-A ----- 6,000.00 APPROVED

9. Riverbank Park - Improvement RV-6263-A --- 1,000.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$272,000.00 APPROVED for Park Commission

Page 23 - BOARD OF RECREATION

1. Playgrounds, Recreation Areas and
Centers - Improved and Developed ----- \$ 10,000.00 APPROVED

2. Garage, Workshop & Storage Building ----- 30,000.00 APPROVED

3. Mobile Bandstand ----- 1,500.00 APPROVED

TOTAL OF \$41,500.00 APPROVED

Page 25 - POLICE DEPARTMENT (All items were DENIED by Board of Finance)Page 27 - STAMFORD MUSEUM

1. Weather Station - \$7,850.00

MR. SHERMAN MOVED to delete the appropriation in its entirety. Seconded by Mr. Cushing.

Mr. Sherman said it was his feeling that the weather forecasts were adequately provided for and it was not necessary to increase these facilities.

MR. MEYERS said this item was of considerable concern to the Fiscal Committee and was investigated fully. He said the problem evolved around indirect weather forecasting for the benefit of the City of Stamford. He said the Women's Auxiliary is contributing \$2,500 to this project to assist its operation for the first year; the Stamford Management Council has already contributed \$500 to the project and feel confident that they will be able to raise another additional \$2,000. Therefore, this money, together with the above \$7,850.00 will provide Stamford with accurate weather recording devices. He said the present facilities are what is termed "a cooperative unit" with the U. S. Weather Station forecasting meteorological service. He said they now have a part time meteorologist on the staff and they give one report in the morning and another early in the afternoon, and that the new equipment they are receiving will give much more detailed information and report it on a periodic basis and will have a direct line, giving hourly reports.

VOTE taken on Mr. Sherman's motion to delete this appropriation. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$7,850.00 APPROVED

Page 29 - SUNSET HOME

1. Sun Porch Alteration: \$5,000.00 APPROVED
 2. Main Building - Waterproofing: \$1,700.00 APPROVED
- TOTAL OF \$6,700.00 APPROVED

Page 31 - BOARD OF EDUCATION

1. Jr. High School - Vine Road - \$500,000.00

MR. JOHNSON wanted to know how much of the \$2,000,000.00 appropriated for this project is left as of this date.

THE PRESIDENT asked him what he meant.

MR. JOHNSON replied he was referring to the \$2,000,000.00 appropriated last year for this project.

MR. MEYERS said he could not answer this question offhand.

There being no motion to the contrary, the above appropriation of \$500,000.00 was APPROVED.

2. Elementary School-North of Parkway-West Site: \$100,000.00 APPROVED
 3. Rogers School - Rehabilitation & Addition: \$1,029,000.00 APPROVED
 4. Cloonan School Rehabilitation: \$348,000.00 APPROVED
 5. Stamford High School Site Improvement: \$50,000.00 APPROVED
 6. Willard School:
Improvement: \$300,000.00 APPROVED
 7. Elementary School-North of Parkway-East Site: This was DENIED by the Board of Finance.
 8. Stevens School - Cafeteria Improvement: \$50,000.00 APPROVED
- TOTAL OF \$2,377,000.00 APPROVED

Page 33 - URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

1. Cash Grant Aid to Southeast Quadrant including
Administration of State Funds:-----\$100,000.00 APPROVED
2. Parking Facilities - Broad Street Garage for 650
Cars; Fallout Shelter for 2,800 people: -----\$400,000.00

MR. KUCZO said he saw no need for this at the present time and MOVED that it be DENIED. Seconded by Mr. Scarella.

MR. SCARELLA spoke in favor of the motion. He wanted to know if the \$100,000.00 appropriation would "keep the Urban Redevelopment Commission alive".

THE PRESIDENT said perhaps Mr. Oppenheimer (Chairman of the Urban Redevelopment Committee) could answer this question.

MR. OPPENHEIMER said it was a very complicated affair to answer a question of this sort. He said the entire amount was very important if the city expects to keep the URC program alive and is basically a show of faith on the part of the city. He explained in great detail.

MR. SCARELLA said he was still opposed and wants to go on record as being against it. (the appropriation)

After considerable debate, a VOTE was taken on Mr. Kuczo's motion to delete this item. LOST.

TOTAL OF \$500,000.00 APPROVED for Urban Redevelopment Commission

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET APPROVED ----- \$5,479,017.00

TOTALS FOR 1962-1963 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET:

PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Sanitary Sewers -----	\$1,650,000.00
2. Storm Drains -----	236,000.00
3. Highways -----	20,867.00
4. Sidewalks and/or Curbing -----	80,000.00
5. New Construction -----	97,000.00
6. New Equipment -----	75,000.00
7. Bridges -----	10,000.00
8. Flood Control -----	<u>105,100.00</u>

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS ----- \$2,273,967.00

PARK COMMISSION ----- 272,000.00

BOARD OF RECREATION ----- 41,500.00

POLICE DEPARTMENT (Denied by Board of Finance)

STAMFORD MUSEUM ----- 7,850.00

SUNSET HOME ----- 6,700.00

BOARD OF EDUCATION ----- 2,377,000.00

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ----- 500,000.00

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET APPROVED ----- \$5,479,017.00

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Meyers, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, who MOVED for its adoption. Seconded by Mr. Murphy and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 391

ADOPTION OF THE OPERATING AND CAPITAL
BUDGETS FROM JULY 1, 1962 TO JUNE 30, 1963

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance has transmitted to the Board of Representatives, its recommended budget for the ensuing fiscal year, commencing July 1, 1962 and ending June 30, 1963, for final action thereon by the Board of Representatives;

BE IT RESOLVED BY STAMFORD, that the itemized estimate of receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year 1962-1963 in the budgets as submitted by the Mayor and as acted upon by the Board of Representatives, in the amounts of


\$ 5,479,017.00 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

\$ 20,653,131.51 OPERATING BUDGET

BE AND IT IS HEREBY accepted, adopted and approved, and specific appropriations are hereby made for each of the several items in the amounts appearing in the columns of budgets under the heading of "Board of Representatives" recording the approval, or other action of this Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 A.M., upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED.


Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:


Paul D. Shapiro, President
Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was not broadcast over the radio.

