

MEETING OF THE 8TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of August 2, 1965
Stamford, Connecticut

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The regular monthly meeting of the 8th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, was held on Monday, August 2, 1965 in the Board's meeting room, Municipal Office Building, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Alan H. Ketcham, at 8:40 P.M.

INVOCATION: Given by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver, Temple Sinai

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

THE PRESIDENT asked the Clerk to call the roll.

MR. SULLIVAN rose on a point of order. He said at this time he would like to challenge the authority of Mr. Ketcham (President) of this Board. He said under Sec. 115 of the Charter it states that if any member of this Board ceases to live in the District from which he was elected, he no longer can remain a member of this Board and that a new member shall be elected according to Sec. 201 of the Charter.

MR. SULLIVAN said this Board, by action of the Majority Party (Republican) according to Ordinance No. 118 Supplemental, changed all the Districts of all the members, therefore disqualifying Mr. Ketcham to serve as President of this Board. He said: "I hereby challenge your right to act in the capacity of President at this time and for any time since the enactment of this Ordinance as of June 21, 1965."

MR. KETCHAM said he would refer Mr. Sullivan to the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, contained in the records of this Board which means that the members of this Board are still in office. He requested the Clerk to now call the roll.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 32 present and 8 absent at the calling of the roll. However, two members arrived shortly after, thus changing the roll call to 34 present and 6 absent.

The absent members were: Edwin Lindstrom (R), 1st District; Dominick Vivona (D), 4th District; Michael Zezima (R), 5th District; Stanley Kulowiec (D), 13th District; George Russell (R), 17th District; and J. John Keggi (R), 20th District.

MR. TRUGLIA rose on a point of order. He asked if it is possible to have a roll call by Districts.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Truglia that the members answer to the roll call and that it is taken by District in numerical order.

MR. TRUGLIA said he would then like to ask whether the roll call was taken by the old Districts, or by the new as described in Ordinance No. 118 Supplemental. He requested that the roll be called by District.

MR. SELSBERG objected and rose on a point of order.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Truglia that the roll has already been called.

MR. TRUGLIA said he is waiting for an answer to his question.

THE PRESIDENT asked him to repeat his question for clarification.

MR. TRUGLIA: "The question is this - I would like to know if we can have a roll call by District and you said that we have just done so. I will now ask again, if I may, are we taking the roll call using the old Districts or the new ones?"

THE PRESIDENT replied that we are proceeding in the manner that we have been using and in accordance with the opinion given us by the Corporation Counsel.

MR. SELSBERG rose on a point of order. He said: "Most of the individuals in this room know as well as the residents of this City, that this point which Mr. Truglia raises will be determined by the Court this Wednesday - the Court will decide the very question Mr. Truglia asks."

MR. SELSBERG asked why Mr. Truglia continues to badger the Board and why this Board cannot continue with this meeting, when he knows full well that this matter is pending in Court and the decision will be made by the Court. He said he would like to know why Mr. Truglia did not question this when the Redistricting Committee, of which he was a member, voted in favor of their report to this Board.

MR. TRUGLIA said he is now questioning under which District the members are operating under - the old Districts, or the new Districts. He said as for Mr. Selsberg's question as to why he did not object when he was a member of the Redistricting Committee, was because he was under the impression the report of that Committee was merely a preliminary study.

THE PRESIDENT rapped for order, as everyone was talking at once.

THE PRESIDENT said he will reiterate that this Board is now operating in the same way it has always operated and in accordance with the opinion given this Board by the Corporation Counsel, which, unless it is ruled otherwise in a Court of law, will be the way this Board will continue to operate.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of July 12, 1965

MR. KANE called attention to page 4407 (first page of Minutes) to Mr. Lindstrom's remarks in the 7th paragraph from bottom of page. He said he would ask for a ruling of the Chair that is it not a fact that immediately after the adoption (enactment) of Ordinance No. 118 Supplemental, the boundaries of the City's voting Districts were changed in accordance with the Ordinance.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kane if he has any corrections or deletions to the Minutes, and if so, please state what remarks he made in those Minutes that he feels are not correct.

MR. KANE said he was just leading into that. He read Mr. Lindstrom's remarks in the paragraph in question. He said inasmuch as the Ordinance is now law and it reads that it shall become effective immediately upon enactment - therefore the old Districts no longer exist.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kane - did or did not Mr. Lindstrom say what is recorded in the Minutes of July 12th on page 4407.

MR. KANE said he agrees that, that is what he stated, but he now questions that statement as being wrong, because the old Districts do not exist.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Kane that he is out of order and is wasting the time of this Board in delaying tactics and by attempting to bring a point in by the "back door".

MR. KANE said everyone is out of order except the President.

MR. PHILPOT rose on a point of personal privilege. He said under his Committee report he has been informed by Mrs. Farrell that last month when he gave his report, he should have presented a motion at that time and would request that when the Board reaches that point on the Agenda that he will present the motion that he should have presented last month, which appears on page 4429 of the July 12, 1965 Minutes.

THE PRESIDENT said he would be allowed to do so.

THE PRESIDENT called for acceptance of the Minutes of July 12, 1965. The Minutes were accepted, with several "no" votes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

THE PRESIDENT read the following report of the Steering Committee at this time:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT Meeting Held Monday, July 19, 1965

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held Monday, July 19, 1965 in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Alan H. Ketcham, at 8:20 P.M. All members were present, with the exception of Mr. Hemingway and Mr. Remling.

- (1) Mayor's letter (dated 7/19/65) requesting confirmation of appointment to HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION of Charles H. Durant III as Executive Secretary, at a salary of \$191.50 per week - REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman of the Appointments Committee, requested that a letter be written to the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, asking for a clarification on this matter. He said he has not received any additional information on the appointment of Mr. Arthur Green, other than a telephone call from Mr. Brandt, Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, requesting him to hold up the appointment of Mr. Green until he hears further from him. Since that time, he said he has heard nothing further until tonight, when he was given a copy of a letter from the Mayor offering another appointee for this position.

It was agreed that a letter be sent to the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, asking if he would clear up the confused situation.

- (2) Additional Appropriations:

Additional appropriations, requested by the Mayor, approved by the Board of Finance at their July 8, 1965 meeting, were ORDERED on the agenda, under FISCAL COMMITTEE, with all appropriations over \$2,000 (except pensions) referred to a secondary committee.

- (3) Mayor's letter of 5/20/65 re sale of 35 x 125 ft. strip of City-owned property, known as Lot #216 on Hillendale Avenue, to William G. Mocher, for the sum of \$3,500 (Approved by Board of Finance on 7/8/65)
REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (4) Mayor's letter of 6/18/65 re conveyance to LONG MILL, INC., AS PART OF AN EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES IN CONNECTION WITH WIDENING AND STRAIGHTENING OF OAKLAWN AVENUE, of a small triangle of City-owned land on south side of Oaklawn Avenue, known as Parcel B, as shown on Map No. 7984 on file in the Town Clerk's Office (Approved by Board of Finance on 7/8/65)
REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (5) Mayor's letter of 6/18/65 concerning renewal of lease between City of Stamford and U. S. Government for NAVAL RESERVE TRAINING CENTER, for period July 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966, covering approximately 4.50 acres of City-owned land, located on Magee Avenue, for the consideration of \$1.00 (Approved by Board of Finance on 7/8/65) - REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (6) Proposed Ordinance concerning PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATION AREAS (Letter to Chairman of Park Commission from Joseph J. Black, member of Board of Recreation, dated 6/29/65) - REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES and PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEES - On Agenda under L & R
- (7) Proposed Ordinance, submitted by Warren Davidson, Chairman of FLOOD & EROSION CONTROL BOARD (dated 6/14/65) concerning POLLUTION, BLOCKING, DIVERTING, ETC. OF RIVERS, STREAMS AND BROOKS within the jurisdiction of the Flood and Erosion Control Board (See item #3 under Report of Steering Committee - Minutes of July 12, 1965, page 4408) - REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (8) Concerning Pollution of Noroton River:
- MR. CONNORS brought up the above matter and said he has been receiving many complaints, and requested that a letter be sent to Dr. Costanzo, Director of Health, to see if anything can be done to remedy the situation. So ordered.
- (9) Complaint concerning FLOODING CONDITION ON CORNER OF 225-232 GREENWICH Avenue, from owner of "Frank's Delicatessen", 227 Greenwich Avenue (Letter dated 6/22/65) - REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (10) Complaint from property owners concerning HAZARDOUS CONDITION ON STILLWATER ROAD (undated, but brought in under "New Business" at 7/12/65 Board meeting)
REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (11) Need for additional appropriations:

There was some discussion as to the need for Clerical help in the Board office, microfilming, reproducing and binding Record Books and Ordinances, as directed by the State Examiner of Public Records; and other necessary items.

Mr. Connors said there are no binders for the Charter and Code of General Ordinances for the Board members.

Mr. Truglia asked if there could not be a request for Janitor services during Board meetings, as there is no such service during night meetings, except for a Custodian stationed at the entrance to the building on the first floor. The Administrative Assistant was directed to request appropriations for the above items.

- (12) Mayor's letter of 6/22/65, requesting improvements to be carried out on WASHINGTON AVENUE & SCOTFIELDTOWN ROAD PROJECTS, under the provisions of Chapter 64 (Sec. 640) of Charter - REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (13) PETITION from UNITED FUND (dated 7/16/65) requesting permission to erect a CAMPAIGN INDICATOR on Atlantic Square in front of Old City Hall, and another at the corner of Bull's Head - REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (14) Concerning Two-Man Liaison Committee with Senior Citizens:
MR. KELLY reported that he and Mr. Iacovo had contacted the Community Council to see if there is any way in which they could help these people, as they cannot be given an appropriation as a recognized department of the City government.
- (15) Resolution concerning VOTING DISTRICTS - (Presented by Peter Martin, 18th District Representative, at 6/7/65 Board meeting - On agenda at 6/7/65 Board meeting under Legislative & Rules Committee) - REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE (See Minutes of 7/12/65, page 4422-23)
- (16) Proposed resolution (introduced by Mr. Philpot, 15th District) concerning amendment to Rules of Order of the Board by creating another Standing Committee, to be known as "Education Committee" and changing Education, Welfare and Government Committee to the "Welfare & Government Committee" - REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA
- (17) Concerning Industry Leaving Stamford:

MR. TRUGLIA asked about the above Committee and asked if Mr. Connors and Mr. Russell had met with the Mayor.

THE CHAIRMAN said this is not within the province of this Board and that the Committee was the Mayor's Committee and not a Committee of the Board of Representatives.

- (18) Concerning suggested Ordinance establishing "TOW ZONES" in Stamford:

MR. KUCZO said some 13 months ago he had submitted to the Steering Committee a suggestion that the Board adopt an Ordinance to establish "Tow Zones". He was informed that the Police Department already has this power and that it is within their province to do this wherever they deem it expedient.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Alan H. Ketcham, Chairman
Steering Committee

Mr. Peter Martin (R), 18th District Representative, arrived at this time (8:50 P.M.) changing the roll call to 33 present and 7 absent.

Concerning letter sent to all members of the Board of Representatives from the HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (Dated July 3, 1965)

THE PRESIDENT said he had a statement which he wished to present at this time, as follows:

The impassioned letter, addressed to this Board on July 3, 1965, by the Human Rights Commission, has provoked considerable indignation among members of the Board of Representatives.

It would be all too easy to reply in kind, but the purposes of orderly government are never advanced by a public altercation.

While it is true that the Commission's letter has reflected seriously on the integrity of this Board, we must attribute this to an excess of zeal on the part of the Commission. Zealousness is a commendable thing in government, and in the field of human rights. We, on the Board of Representatives share the zealously of the Human Rights Commission, which came into being by act of this Board.

We would only urge the Commission to temper its zealously with that maturity of thought without which no government can successfully function.

We ask the Commission to remember also, that while it concerns itself with the broad field of human rights, this Board must concern itself with every aspect of our City government.

We must point out to the Commission that where human rights has been the issue, this Board has acted with dispatch.

THE PRESIDENT said at this time he would like to refer to the record of this Board in regard to the Human Rights Commission. He presented the following:

HISTORY OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Minutes of:

September 9, 1963 - Steering Committee's Report - Mayor's letter of August 2, 1963 concerning a proposed Ordinance to establish a Commission on Human Rights:

Mr. Baker MOVED this be placed on the Agenda. Referred to the Legislative & Rules Committee and ordered placed on agenda.

September 9, 1963 - Legislative & Rules Committee Report - Mr. Baker said the matter cannot be reported upon for action tonight, for the reason that there was no copy of the proposed Ordinance.

December 9, 1963 - Legislative & Rules Committee Report - Letter dated 11/27/63 from Robert L. Levister, enclosing a copy of a proposed Ordinance.

- January 6, 1964 - Mr. Selsberg said the Committee discussed the proposed Ordinance at an open meeting, whereby all interested persons could voice their views. Held January 22, 1964 at 8:00 P.M. in the Cafeteria of Burdick Junior High School.
- February 3, 1964 - Legislative & Rules Committee Report - The Committee held an open meeting on the proposed Ordinance, for publication, to establish a Commission on Human Rights in Stamford, Adopted Ordinance for publication.
- March 2, 1964 - Final adoption of ORDINANCE NO. 110 SUPPLEMENTAL - AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD. The Ordinance was CARRIED.
- June 1, 1964 - Appointments Committee - Mr. Nathanson, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He reported that all of the Mayor's appointees to the Human Rights Commission were interviewed. The members voted on each appointment. All approved except Rev. Sargent. (Vote: 20 no, 14 yes)
- June 15, 1964 - Rev. Sargent appointed at Special Board meeting. (Vote: 20 yes, 17 no with 1 abstention).
- October 5, 1964 - Appointment of Virgil A. Gant, Executive Secretary to Human Rights Commission (Vote: 6 no, 31 yes)
- Mr. Gant resigned. (Not sure of date)
- May 3, 1965 - Appointment of Arthur Green, Executive Secretary to Human Rights Commission. Mr. Nathanson, Chairman, Appointments Committee, said that because of information that has come out recently of a Bill pending in Hartford on Human Rights Commissions, the Committee felt that in all fairness to Mr. Green, whom the Committee felt was a well qualified man, the Committee did feel that at this time it would be in poor taste to have this appointment approved, with the possibility of the job not being legal.

THE PRESIDENT continued with his statement:

We cite these facts, not defensively, but to point out finally and in order to close this discussion, that emotionalism in public affairs creates more problems than it solves.

We shall continue to work with the Human Rights Commission and hope that they will continue to devote their considerable talent and energies to the problem with which they are charged.

For our part, this Board of Representatives will stand by, ready to help and act, in this, as in every other field of government.

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MR. TRUGLIA, Minority Leader, said he wished to go on record as sharing the views the President expressed in his statement answering the letter from the Human Rights Commission.

MR. MORRIS, Majority Leader, said he also wished to go on record as supporting the views just expressed by the President.

Mr. John Morris (D), 9th District Representative, arrived at this time (9:05 P.M.) changing the roll call to 34 present and 6 absent.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, presented his Committee report at this time. He said a meeting was held on July 27, 1965 at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Office Building, with all members present, except Mr. Lindstrom and Mr. Arrussa.

Mr. Nathanson said he read a letter that he had sent to the Human Rights Commission, as follows:

July 20, 1965

Mr. Constantine A. Brandi, Chairman
Human Rights Commission
67 Noble Street
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Brandi:

Re: Appointment of Executive Secretary
Human Rights Commission

As of this date, the Board of Representatives has received no communication from you concerning the appointment of Arthur Green, as Executive Secretary of the Human Rights Commission, other than a telephone call from you the night of the Board meeting on June 7th, when you asked me to defer action on the appointment of Mr. Green.

We are now in receipt of another appointment for this same position of Executive Secretary, which we are requested to place on the Agenda for our August 2nd meeting.

We would appreciate a communication from you concerning this confused situation.

Very truly yours,
BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

(Signed) Benjamin R. Nathanson,
Chairman,
Appointments Committee

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MR. NATHANSON read the following letter from the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, in answer to the above:

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July 22, 1965

Mr. Benjamin R. Nathanson, Chairman
Appointments Committee,
Board of Representatives
57 Morgan Avenue
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Nathanson:

Though the announcement was made Saturday July 17, 1965 that Mr. Arthur Green, applicant for the position of Executive Secretary, had withdrawn his name and no longer wished to be considered for the position, I hardly thought it was necessary to notify you of this fact. However, to ease the confused situation, please accept this notice as an official statement from the Human Rights Commission, confirming his withdrawal.

The name of Charles Durant III has been submitted to your Committee by Mayor Mayers. Sincerely hope that it will appear on your agenda for the August 2nd meeting.

Very truly yours,
HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION,

Constantine A. Brandt, Chairman

MR. NATHANSON said in view of the explanation, no action will be taken on Mr. Green's appointment.

However, Mr. Nathanson said the members of his Committee all agreed that in the future, the Appointments Committee should act only when notice is given in writing, in order to avoid any confusion or unnecessary delay in the processing of appointments. This written notice should also be given in cases where an appointing authority wishes a delay in an appointment for any reason, so that there will be no confusion at a future date as to why an appointment is being held up.

MR. NATHANSON said the Committee discussed and interviewed for the position of Executive Secretary to the Human Rights Commission, Mr. Charles Durant III and the Committee unanimously approved the appointment of Mr. Durant to this position.

He said he also wishes to add, personally, that it was a great pleasure to talk to Mr. Durant and believes that the other members of his Committee felt the same way about it - that he seemed to be very well qualified - was raised in Stamford and is familiar with Stamford's problems.

MR. NATHANSON MOVED for the appointment of Mr. Charles H. Durant III, as Executive Secretary to the Human Rights Commission. (Confirmation of appointment under terms of Sec. 5. (g) of Ordinance No. 110 Supplemental).

Several members of the Board seconded the nomination and spoke in praise of Mr. Durant's qualifications.

The Tellers distributed the ballots on the appointment. The vote is recorded below:

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HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

CHARLES H. DURANT 111, Executive Secretary, at salary of \$192.30 weekly
(Mayor's letter of 7/19/65)

VOTE: 33 yes
1 no

(Note: Corrected amount per call from Mr. Brandi,
Chairman of Human Rights Commission)

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said the Committee met on July 29, 1965 to consider the matters presented to his Committee for consideration.

- (1) \$10,500.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - Code 102.5106 (Special Redistricting Expense)
(Mayor's letter of 6/24/65) (Approved 7/8/65 by Board of Finance)

MR. HEMINGWAY said his Committee recommended the above appropriation request for approval. He said as everyone knows they also recommended this for approval last month, when it was presented under suspension of the rules but failed to carry. He said he is making the same recommendation that was made last month. HE MOVED for approval of the above appropriation. Seconded by Mr. Goings.

MR. KUCZO said this was also referred to the Education, Welfare and Government Committee and his Committee voted to support this in a vote to 3 to 2.

MR. TRUOLIA spoke against the motion. He said his party voted for the \$20,000 which was appropriated earlier for the census on the Redistricting. He said the bi-partisan element had been destroyed when it was no longer needed and now they feel they cannot go along with the request.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Truglia if he was speaking on item #1 under the Fiscal Committee.

MR. TRUGLIA said he believes he got his message across.

MR. KANE said inasmuch as this is going to Court, he wonders if it is necessary to allocate this money now. He pointed out that \$20,000 was allocated in the previous Budget to take care of election expenses and said he believes it may be possible that the Registrars of Voters can use this money in the meantime as it has already been allocated to them.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Kane that the Ordinance on redistricting has already been adopted by a proper vote of this Board and is now the law of the City of Stamford, and has been approved by the Corporation Counsel and until such time as it has been cited otherwise by the Courts, is still part of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford.

MR. KANE said he is not discussing the merits of redistricting, but as long as this department has already been allocated \$20,000 in this year's Budget, if it becomes necessary, they can use it for this particular need. He said he is wondering if it cannot be done that way.

THE PRESIDENT said if the money is appropriated and not spent, it will then revert to the General Fund.

MR. HEMINGWAY said that was what he was going to say, but he didn't get a chance to say it.

MR. TRUGLIA asked, through the Chair, if Mr. Hemingway could give him any information as to whether or not any work is now being done on redistricting by the Registrars.

MR. HEMINGWAY said yes they have started, as they have to have the books ready in time for November and that work is being done.

MR. TRUGLIA asked under what account.

MR. HEMINGWAY said under account Code No. 5104.

MR. CONNORS asked if Mr. Hemingway said all members of his Committee voted in favor of the requested appropriation, because he, as a member of the Fiscal Committee, did not vote in favor.

MR. SULLIVAN MOVED that this be TABLED for one month. Seconded by Mr. Durso and several others.

THE PRESIDENT said a motion to table is not debatable and requires a majority vote to carry.

MR. MORRIS (Thomas) asked for a five minute recess at this time. (9:30 P.M.)

MR. TRUGLIA said it is agreeable to him. The Board recessed;

The recess being over, the President called the meeting to order at 9:40 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT said a vote would first be taken on Mr. Sullivan's motion to TABLE FOR ONE MONTH. He explained that a vote of "yes" is a vote in favor of tabling and a vote of "no" is a vote opposed to tabling.

MR. KUCZO asked for a roll call vote. Four other members signified they wished a roll call vote.

The Clerk called the roll. The motion was LOST by the following vote, 16 voting in favor of tabling and 17 opposed, the President not voting. The vote is recorded below:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF TABLING

ARRUZZA, Patsy (D)
 CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
 CONNORS, George (D)
 DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
 DURSO, Robert (D)
 ESPOSITO, Jennie (D)
 KANE, John (D)
 KELLY, Stephen (D)
 KUCZO, Paul (D)
 LONGO, Carmine (D)
 MORRIS, John (D)
 MURPHY, William (D)
 RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
 SULLIVAN, Gerald (D)
 TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)
 WALAJTYS, Chester (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION TO TABLING

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
 CAPORIZZO, William (R)
 GOINES, Augusta (R)
 HEARING, William (R)
 HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
 IACOVO, Edwin (R)
 LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
 MARTIN, Peter (R)
 MORRIS, Thomas (R)
 NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
 NORLEY, Walter (R)
 PHILPOT, Romaine (R)
 REMLING, Daniel (R)
 RICH, John (R)
 SELSBERG, William (R)
 SUTHERLAND, Judith (R)
 TATANO, Andrew (R)

THE PRESIDENT said the vote will now be on Mr. Hemingway's motion to approve the appropriation of \$10,500 for the Registrars of Voters. He said it requires a two-thirds vote of those present and not less than a majority of the entire Board.

MR. CONNORS requested a roll call vote.

MR. MORRIS (Tom) urged the members to vote for this, because if the Court decides against redistricting, it will only be returned to the General Fund. He said he fails to understand the delaying tactics. He said these books have to be in order when the primaries come up. He said he cannot understand why the Democrats locally are so opposed to the "one man, one vote" when nationally they are in favor of it.

MR. TRUGLIA said it is not a question of "one man, one vote" that they are against. He said they are merely against the Republican Majority on this Board, and their methods.

MR. MORRIS objected.

THE PRESIDENT rapped for order, and asked the members not to wander from the subject.

MR. TRUGLIA said what they had requested was for a Committee within this Board to study redistricting, they asked for a public hearing, they asked time for a little more deliberation on this particular plan which was not granted.

MR. NATHANSON asked whether Mr. Truglia is speaking as a member of the Redistricting Committee or as Minority Leader of this Board. He said as a member of the Redistricting Committee, he voted in favor of their recommendations to this Board.

MR. TRUGLIA says he thinks Mr. Nathanson is in a rut. He said he stated before and will state again that it was his understanding that the Redistricting Committee was to come in with recommendations and then the Board would deliberate and study it further before adopting any recommendations. He said he felt their recommendations should not be binding to this Board, but he now finds they are very binding, as well as quite adhesive.

MR. TRUGLIA said there has not been a chance to settle this thing either at a public hearing. He said when it came to the question of passing a water conservation Ordinance, everyone was in favor of holding a public hearing, but not when it comes to redistricting, which he feels is much more important.

THE PRESIDENT said he does not believe in public hearings as a pre-requisite of adopting Ordinances - that it is not required by the rules of the Board or required by the Charter.

MR. TRUGLIA said in this case it involves every voting person in this community.

THE PRESIDENT said he does not wish to debate the matter, but is merely giving a statement for the record. He said an open Committee hearing by a Committee of this Board is definitely not required and not legally necessary for the passage of an Ordinance.

MR. SULLIVAN said he wants to go on record as being opposed to this appropriation.

The debate continued for some time, with several of the members speaking for the second time.

MR. TRUGLIA MOVED THE QUESTION.

MR. MORRIS called for a roll call vote. Four other members signified they wished a roll call vote.

THE PRESIDENT said 24 affirmative votes are needed to carry - being two-thirds of those present and cannot be less than a majority of the entire Board.

The Clerk called the roll. The motion was LOST by the following vote, 17 voting in favor and 16 opposed, the President not voting. The vote is recorded below:

THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
GOINES, Augusta (R)
HEARING, William (R)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
IACOVO, Edwin (R)
LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
MARTIN, Peter (R)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
NORLEY, Walter (R)
PHILPOT, Romaine (R)
REMLING, Daniel (R)
RICH, John (R)
SELSBERG, William (R)
SUTHERLAND, Judith (R)
TATANO, Andrew (R)

THOSE OPPOSED TO THE MOTION

ARRUZZA, Patsy (D)
CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
CONNORS, George (D)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
ESPOSITO, Jennie (D)
KANE, John (D)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
KUCZO, Paul (D)
LONGO, Carmine (D)
MORRIS, John (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
SULLIVAN, Gerald (D)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)
WALAJTYS, Chester (D)

- (2) \$23,746.03 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Code 616.0000.. Street Lighting (Mayor's letter of 3/31/65) (Approved by Board of Finance on 7/7/65 subject to "approval of the Auditor")

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above appropriation, subject to approval of the Auditor.

Mr. Remling said the Public Works Committee concurs in approval and seconded the motion. CARRIED.

- (3) \$214.00 - COLLECTOR OF TAXES - Code 146.0101. Salary Account (Reclassification from S-9 Cashier to S-10 Head Cashier for Miss Mary Caruso) (Mayor's letter of 6/8/65) (Approved by Personnel Commission on 5/17/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY said the Fiscal Committee recommends approval of the above request and he so MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (4) \$3,881.30 - PENSION - Police Captain Ignatius Montagnino, effective 9/1/65 (Based on annual pension of \$4,657.50, or 50% of his annual salary of \$9,315.00) (Mayor's letter of 6/9/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY said the Fiscal Committee recommends approval of the above request and he so MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Kane, who spoke in favor of the appropriation. Mr. Kelly also seconded the motion and spoke in favor of the appropriation. CARRIED.

- (5) \$3,456.08 - PENSION - Fireman Joseph P. Donahue, effective 8/7/65 (Based on annual pension of \$3,840.00, or 60% of his annual salary of \$6,400.00) (Mayor's letter of 6/9/65)

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

MR. SELSBERG, Chairman, said because he has been on vacation, no formal meeting of his Committee was held. He said Mr. John Kane held an open hearing on item #2 on the agenda under his committee, concerning a water conservation ordinance. However, he said some matters can be taken up and he would report on those items.

- (1) Final adoption of Ordinance "CONCERNING GRANT OF EASEMENT OVER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO DOSAN, INC." (Mayor's letter of 6/3/65) (Adopted for publication 7/12/65) (Published 7/19/65)

MR. SELSBERG MOVED that the following Ordinance be approved. Seconded.

MR. RYBNICK asked if the members ever received a copy of the above Ordinance.

MR. SELSBERG replied that it was printed on page 4416-4417 of the Minutes of 7/12/65.

The following Ordinance was given final approval by unanimous vote:

ORDINANCE NO. 119 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING GRANT OF EASEMENT OVER CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO DOSAN, INC.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

In conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding any provisions of Chapter 2, Sections 2-24 to 2-27, inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the granting by the City of Stamford to DOSAN, INCORPORATED, a legal corporation organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut and having a place of business in the Town of Greenwich, in the County of Fairfield, does for itself, its successors and assigns, give, grant, bargain, sell and confirm unto the said DOSAN, INCORPORATED and its successors and assigns, a perpetual right, privilege and easement to enter upon and to install, construct, operate, maintain and to repair and/or replace water service lines, storm water sewers and drain pipes, under, through and across the following described premises:

ALL that certain piece, parcel or tract of land located in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield, State of Connecticut, designated "Easement Area = 2687.93 Sq. Ft. 0.0617 Acres" as shown on a certain map entitled "Map Showing Easement Granted By The City of Stamford to DOSAN, INCORPORATED." certified "Substantially Correct" Robert L. Redniss, April 6, 1965, which map is to be filed simultaneously herewith.

and it does further give and grant in connection with the right, privilege and easement hereinbefore granted, the further right and privilege to said Grantee, its successors and assigns, to enter in and upon land owned by the undersigned

adjacent to the premises hereinbefore described at any time for the purposes herein stated, provided always that after the completion of such installation and construction and after the completion of such operating, maintaining, repairing and/or replacing, the Grantee at its own expense, shall restore the land, as nearly as possible, to its original condition; it being understood that the Grantee shall bear the full cost of any installation of such pipe or pipes within the easement granted hereunder and shall be fully responsible for all future maintenance of said pipe or pipes.

The Grantee, by the acceptance hereof, agrees to hold the City of Stamford harmless from any damage which may arise as a result of the operation and/or the maintenance of said pipe or pipes.

It is further understood that the easement granted herein shall be revocable upon Sixty (60) Days notice, in writing, by the City of Stamford to the Grantee herein, its successors or assigns.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City of Stamford and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to grant the easement aforesaid.

This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its enactment.

- (2) Renewal of lease between the City of Stamford and U. S. Government for NAVAL RESERVE TRAINING CENTER, for period July 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966, covering approximately 4.50 acres of City-owned land, located on Magee Avenue, for the consideration of \$1.00 (Mayor's letter of 6/18/65) (Approved by Board of Finance on 7/8/65)

(NOTE: This appears as item #5 on the Agenda.)

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for approval of the above renewal of lease. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. SELSBERG said that items Nos. 6 and 7 which appear on the agenda are not in proper form and he has not as yet had the opportunity to do this, so they would remain in Committee.

- (3) Request in letter (dated August 2, 1965) from Mr. Louis A. Clapes, City and Town Clerk, for permission to change the SPECIAL VOTER MAKING SESSIONS scheduled for the LONG RIDGE FIRE HOUSE, SEPTEMBER 1, 1965 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. to AUGUST 30, 1965, at the same time and place

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES in order to take up the above matter. Seconded and CARRIED to suspend the rules.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for approval of the following request, which was seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

BOARD OF ADMISSIONS OF ELECTORS

City of Stamford

Stamford, Connecticut

August 2, 1965

Mr. Alan Ketcham, President
Board of Representatives
City of Stamford
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Ketcham:

The Board of Admissions of Electors respectfully requests the permission of the Board of Representatives to change the special voter session scheduled for the Long Ridge Fire House, September 1, 1965, 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., to August 30, 1965, at the same place and with the same hours.

The reason for the request is that the original date would not allow for enrollments in a political party as it falls within twenty-one days of the Republican primary.

The new date will allow for party registrations.

The proposed change has the unanimous concurrence of the entire membership of the Board of Admissions.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Louis A. Clapes,
Town and City Clerk

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

MR. REMLING, Chairman, gave his committee report at this time. He said a meeting was held in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works on Monday, July 26th, and the following were present: Representatives Tatano, Longo, Bitetto, Thomas Morris, William Caporizzo and Daniel Remling. He said also present were members of the Health & Protection Committee.

He reported that Mr. Hearing presented the problem that exists on FRISBIE STREET near Hope Street, stating there exists a very bad flooding condition and the need of catch basins on this street are causing a very bad and unsanitary health condition. He said Commissioner Mitchell said a study of this problem is being made by his department and he hopes to have plans drawn up soon in order that this trouble can be corrected. Matters under his committee in regard to the Fiscal Committee were previously reported under that committee.

- (1) Complaint concerning FLOODING CONDITION ON CORNER OF 225-232 GREENWICH AVENUE, from owner of "Frank's Delicatessen", 227 Greenwich Avenue (Letter dated 6/22/65)
- (2) Complaint from property owners concerning HAZARDOUS CONDITION ON STILLWATER ROAD (Brought up under "New Business" at 7/12/65 Board meeting)

MR. REMLING said in regard to the above two matters, they were held in Committee.

(3) Concerning disposition of OLD CLOONAN SCHOOL PROPERTY

MR. REMLING said it was decided that this committee would work together with the Parks & Recreation Committee on a tour of inspection of this school and all members are urged to attend this tour, to which they agreed.

(4) Complaint by Mr. John McGrath, 60 Grant Avenue, concerning ROAD HAZARD CAUSED BY STONES AND GRAVEL FALLING FROM EMBANKMENT INTO STREET AT CORNER OF GRANT AVENUE AND SHERIDAN STREET (Letter from Thomas Morris, 16th District, dated 8/2/65)

MR. REMLING read the above letter, in which it states that "it is obvious that the lives of children, in particular, and serious damage to vehicular traffic is threatened due to this existing condition. It is imperative that the proper City officials and departments correct this situation."

(5) Concerning COVE DAM GATES (Letter, dated 6/21/65 from Paul Kuczo, 10th District Representative) (See Minutes of 7/12/65, page 4409, item #14)

MR. KUCZO asked when he was going to get a reply to the above letter. He said he has not received an answer that was satisfactory on this matter since March 3rd from the Public Works Committee. He said he has sent a number of requests in, none of which has been answered, with the exception of a letter from Mr. Mitchell dated March 31st which said that nothing could be done until better weather. He said the weather has been pretty good lately and he wonders when this will get done. He said he has not had any of his questions answered yet.

THE PRESIDENT said this was in Committee and he presumes they will report on it as soon as they can.

MR. KUCZO said that's what he has been hearing for the past three or four months, and he is still waiting.

MR. NATHANSON rose on a point of order. He asked if the matter of the Cove Dam should be discussed, inasmuch as it does not appear on the agenda.

THE PRESIDENT called for order and reminded the members that they must debate what is before the Board and not bring up matters that are not on the agenda.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. HEARING said his committee met with the Public Works Committee regarding a complaint he had received concerning a flooding condition on Frishie Street. (Report given under Public Works Committee)

Concerning refuse cans at Glenbrook Railroad Station (Letter to Dr. Costanzo dated 7/17/65 from D. G. MacLeod, Supt., New Haven Division)

MR. HEARING read the following letter to Dr. Costanzo about the above complaint:

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 12th calling attention to the condition of the Glenbrook Railroad Station, Crescent Street, also to refuse cans which have not been emptied in weeks.

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The condition in the station has been corrected. However, the barrels referred to are kept on the platform to hold sand for use during the winter season, and the refuse, garbage, etc. noted in these cans were placed there by the people of the town when going to take the train.

As you know, our forces are limited and it is difficult to keep emptying these cans, not only at Glenbrook, but other stations on the road. If some arrangement could be made to police the situation and apprehend the people that are doing this, I think our difficulty would be eliminated.

We are requesting our Maintenance Department to clear the barrels, but as stated above, it would be difficult to have this taken care of regularly with the forces we have available.

(signed) D. G. MacLeod
Superintendent
New Haven Division

Concerning FRISBIE STREET (near Hope Street) - Unsanitary Health Problem Caused by Flooding Condition and Need for Catch Basins (See Public Works Committee Report)

MR. HEARING said he has had several complaints from residents about this unsanitary condition and hopes that it will be rectified soon.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

- (1) Resolution No. 468 to accept HOME COURT as a public highway - (Approved for publication at 7/12/65 Board meeting - Published July 22, 1965) (Originally presented by George Connors, 10th District Representative at 6/7/65 Board meeting)

In the absence of Mr. Russell, Chairman of the above Committee, Mr. Selsberg presented the Committee report.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 468

CONCERNING ACCEPTANCE OF HOME COURT AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY, WHICH STREET WAS OPEN TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC PRIOR TO APRIL 16, 1950 (date of consolidation) AND WHICH HAS NEVER BEEN ACCEPTED AS A CITY STREET

BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that said Board by its proposed and published resolution of July 12, 1965, accepts the following named street and highway, which was open to vehicular traffic prior to April 16, 1950, as a public street and highway:

HOME COURT - For approximately 570 feet, from
Main Street to Webb Avenue.

- (2) Resolution No. 469 directing improvements to be carried out on WASHINGTON AVENUE under provisions of Chapter 64 (Sec. 640) of Charter (First step)
(Requested in Mayor's letter of 6/22/65)

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for approval of the following resolution, which was seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 469

CONCERNING DIRECTING OF IMPROVEMENTS TO BE
CARRIED OUT ON WASHINGTON AVENUE AND EXTENSION

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, widening and layout of the highway known as WASHINGTON AVENUE, and

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

IT IS 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 Commissioner 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

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

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the total cost of work and improvements, as aforesaid, shall be borne by the City of Stamford as a Capital Project, except to the extent that any adjoining property shall be benefited, in accordance with the provisions of Section 649 of the Charter, in which event, said improvements or benefits shall be assessed to the adjacent owner of property or properties benefited thereby; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and layout of said highway, 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 his Committee report, along with a petition.

PETITION NO. 310 - United Fund Campaign, 1965.

MR. KELLY read a letter from the United Fund, requesting permission to erect a campaign indicator on Atlantic Square in front of the Old City Hall, and another one at the corner of Bull's Head on private land, where Long Ridge Road and High Ridge Road join together, sometime around September 8, 1965, and to be removed about November 15, 1965.

MR. KELLY MOVED the above request be granted, subject to conformity with City Ordinances, approval of the Police and Fire Departments and proper insurance coverage. Seconded by Mr. Connors and CARRIED.

Concerning Disposition of OLD GLOONAN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

MR. KELLY said he, along with several other Board members and interested citizens, made an inspection tour of the Old Gloonan School. He said they believe this building can be rehabilitated and made to conform to the uses that have been recommended and recommends that the Mayor initiate a survey be made as to what it would cost to undertake such a project.

Concerning use of ROSA HARTMANN PARK

MR. KELLY reported he had investigated a request of Mr. Durso regarding the use of the above park and had been given a schedule of reservations for the use of this park for the balance of the season. He said he and his Committee will be pleased to work with Mr. Durso and assist him in any way to secure these park facilities for recreation.

MR. KELLY said his Committee met the evening of July 23 with members of the Legislative and Rules Committee in regard to the proposed Ordinance regarding parks, beaches and recreation areas at which time it was agreed that the publishing of the proposed Ordinance would be requested and his Committee concurred in approval of this action.

Liaison Committee with Senior Citizens

MR. KELLY reported the newly formed special liaison committee met with members of the Senior Citizens group Executive Committee the evening of July 20 in the Old Town Hall. He said it was agreed that one of the most urgent requirements was the setting aside for their use of a small portion of the Cove Island area and permission to use their cars for transporting equipment to their destination on the island. He explained that a proposed means of transportation is being requested by the Park Department, much of which will not take place until the summer of 1966. These requests are being granted to the Senior Citizens by the Park Department.

MR. CONNORS asked to be excused at this time. (11:00 P.M.)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

MR. PHILPOT, Chairman, said his Committee did not meet this month.

Concerning Increased Benefits for Pensioners now on Pension under the CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN - (See Minutes of 7/12/65, page 4429)

MR. PHILPOT said his attention had been called to an oversight on the above matter, which he now wishes to rectify. He said at the July meeting he presented a report stating the Committee has gone as far as it can and the matter now becomes one of administration. HE MOVED that the findings and recommendations of the Personnel Committee with regard to furnishing increased benefits to pensioners now on pension under the CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES PENSION PLAN be sent to the Mayor so that their suggestions can be pursued on an administrative level. Seconded and CARRIED.

Concerning COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, under terms of Public Act 495 (1963 Session) (See Minutes of 5/3/65, page 4325)

MR. KANE asked if there was going to be a report on the above matter.

MR. PHILPOT said it was still in Committee.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT:

- (1) Resolution Concerning VOTING DISTRICTS - (Presented by Peter Martin 14th District Representative, at 6/7/65 Board meeting - On Agenda at 6/7/65 meeting under Legislative & Rules Committee - See page 4417, Minutes of 7/12/65)

MR. KUCZO said he has been requested by Mr. Martin to keep the above matter in Committee and it is the feeling of his Committee that this be done.

- (2) Proposed Resolution concerning amendment to Rules of Order of the Board by creating another Standing Committee to be known as the "Education Committee" and changing the Education, Welfare & Government Committee to the "Welfare & Government Committee" (Also referred to Legislative & Rules Committee)

MR. KUCZO said his Committee held two meetings - one on July 29th and the second one this evening.

MR. MORRIS asked where the meeting was held and that it was his understanding that all Committee meetings were to be held in City hall; that he came to a meeting and no one was there.

THE PRESIDENT reminded Mr. Kucso that according to the Rules of Order of the Board (Rule No. 9 under "Committees") that it is necessary to state the time, the date and place of the meeting and who attended.

MR. KUCZO said he understands that, and on July 29th they had a meeting scheduled for City Hall at 8:00 o'clock and those in attendance were Mr. Goings and himself. He said Mr. Walajtys had requested that if at all possible, for the reason that he cannot leave his restaurant until much later that they adjourn to his restaurant. He said they were waiting for Mrs. Sutherland and they left City Hall about 8:45 P.M. and continued their meeting and Mrs. Sutherland arrived sometime around 10:00 o'clock after the meeting was ready to adjourn. At that point he said they decided to re-open the meeting again.

MR. MORRIS said what he is getting at is that we have this Municipal Office Building and rooms in which to hold meetings and that is where meetings are supposed to be held and not in some restaurant.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kuczo to be more explicit as to where they met.

MR. KUCZO said they met at Gacher's Restaurant at 230 Greenwich Avenue and they first came to City Hall, but there was only one member present, so then they went to the restaurant. He said their second meeting was held here tonight, but because there was a Caucus they were unable to meet until ten minutes before eight, at which time all members were present and acted on the items in the committee.

MR. KUCZO said he would like to speak on the 2nd item on the agenda referred to his committee. He said his committee is waiting for Mr. Salsberg to do his "home work" on this as it is presently in his committee and they are awaiting his report.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH, Chairman, presented the following report:

This Committee did not hold meetings during the past month, but the Chairman makes the following report of progress of the Project for the information of the Board members.

1. Acquisition: During July 12 more properties were acquired for total price of \$449,500.00. 38 parcels of property have been acquired to date.
2. Demolition: The only demolition to be started during the month of July was the building at 42 Chapel Street which had been vacated and was demolished in advance of schedule at the request of the Health Department.
3. Business Relocation: One very significant relocation within the Project area took place during July. United Publishing and Printing Company was moved from 41 Gay Street to 23 Acosta Street over the weekend of July 17th and 18th.

This was a significant relocation because of the considerable amount of heavy equipment involved and the speed with which the move was made.

4. Property Management: \$15,000 in rent was collected during the month from tenants of Commission-owned buildings. The Property Management Office has removed 37 loads of trash, etc. and has treated 35 properties for pest control.

Some significant reductions in rent for tenants of Commission-owned buildings have been effected. The guide line for this rent reduction is as follows:

When it is determined that rents are excessive due to surrounding conditions and individual situations, the Family Relocation Office is authorized by the U.R.C. and in conformance to H.H.F.A. regulations, to reduce the rent to a fair level. If the rent is considered fair, no reduction is made. If there is a question of extreme hardship, the rents, in some cases, will be cut in half.

5. Family Relocation: During the month of July, the following family relocations were arranged by the Commission Office:

3 families of 2 or more persons; 2 single person householders; and 3 roomers. The total relocation effected as of the end of July is 12 families of 2 or more persons; 5 single person householders and 22 roomers.

6. Willow Street Playground: On June 30, when the building at 24 Willow Street was to be demolished, a group of residents from the Willow Street neighborhood expressed their fears to the Mayor and to Mrs. Marshall that the proposed parking lot would increase traffic and add to the danger for the children of the neighborhood. They asked if a playground couldn't be substituted instead. Less than three weeks later, a playground was dedicated at that site. Coordination was handled by Eugene D. Jones, Project Manager for Frederic R. Harris, Engineers, between the various City departments, including the Public Works Department, Park Department and Board of Recreation. The site was graded and blacktopped, equipped with swings, slide, sand box, basketball hoop and backstop and benches. Court games were painted on the blacktop, and the entire 100 foot by 65 foot area was fenced and landscaped. On July 20, the playground was formally opened.

John T. D. Rich, Chairman

Several members asked the Chairman questions at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

- (1) Concerning complaints from residents of MEAD AVENUE and OENOKE PLACE area on ramp entering Machlett Laboratories which hampers exits on abutting properties - (Presented by Mr. Kelly, 12th District Representative in undated letter received 7/27/65)

Above letter referred to the Steering Committee for proper referral to Committee.

- (2) Letter concerning dangerous intersections at COLD SPRING ROAD and STILLWATER AVENUE, COLD SPRING ROAD and TRAVIS AVENUE, TRAVIS AVENUE and DUNCANSON STREET, and COLD SPRING ROAD and LONG RIDGE ROAD (From John T. Homa, 63 Travis Avenue, dated 7/19/65 - addressed to Mr. Ketcham, President)

Above letter referred to the Steering Committee for proper referral to Committee.

- (3) PARKING AUTHORITY financial statement and balance sheets as of June 1965

Above noted and ordered filed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Concerning complaint (received 6/16/65) from resident of COLONIAL ROAD, requesting more WATER PRESSURE between the hours of 4 P.M. and 7 P.M. (See Minutes of 7/12/65 - pages 4405 and 4428 - referred to Stamford Water Company by Health & Protection Committee)

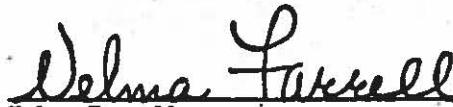
MR. KUCZO said he would like to know what is being done about the above complaint.

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MR. HEARING said he has been up there a couple of times and the water company is taking action to help correct the situation.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 11:50 P.M.



Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

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APPROVED:

Alan H. Ketcham, President
Board of Representatives

Note: Above meeting broadcast by
Radio Station WSTC up to
11:00 P.M.

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