

MEETING OF THE 8TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of October 4, 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, October 4, 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 8:30 P.M.

INVOCATION: Given by Rev. T. Cecil Swackhamer, First Methodist Church.

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

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 34 present and 6 absent at the calling of the roll. However, a member resigned and was replaced, which changed the roll call to 35 present and 5 absent.

The absent members were: Vincent Caporizzo, Dominick Vivona, Gerald Sullivan, Stanley Kulowiec, and William Hearing.

Concerning Public Address and Recording System for Board's Meeting Room

THE PRESIDENT stated that the above system, installed for demonstration tonight, is here for the members' use. He introduced the electronics representative, who explained how the system works.

MR. THOMSEN said everyone has a switch on the microphone in front of them, which lights a light when each "mike" is turned on. He said the switch should be turned off except when a member is speaking - when a member wishes to talk, to turn the microphone on. He said the volume control, etc. is in front of the President. He warned the members to please turn on their switch when they speak - otherwise, it will not be recorded and will not go out on the loudspeaker system. He explained that separate controls are provided for the radio announcer, to enable him to cut out speakers or background noise when announcing.

RESIGNATION - Peter Martin (Republican), 18th District:

THE PRESIDENT announced he was in receipt of a letter of resignation from the above Representative from the 18th District.

ELECTION OF REPLACEMENT - H. Alton LeBeau, Jr. (Republican), 18th District:

MRS. SUTHERLAND placed the name of H. Alton LeBeau, Jr. (Republican) living on Apple Tree Lane in the 18th District (the new 13th District), before the Board as replacement for Peter Martin.

THE PRESIDENT called for any further nominations. There being none, he called the nominations closed.

VOTE taken on the election of Mr. H. Alton LeBeau. CARRIED unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT administered the oath of office to Mr. LeBeau and he assumed his seat on the Board of Representatives as Representative from the 18th District.

THE PRESIDENT announced there are now 35 members present and 5 absent.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of September 13, 1965

The Minutes of the above meeting were accepted, there being no deletions or corrections.

Concerning Pope Paul VI recent visit to United Nations in the cause of peace:

MR. PHILPOT requested he be allowed to speak at this time. Permission was given.

He said as he watched the Pope's visit over television today, he considered it to be an omen of peace for the future of the world.

MR. PHILPOT MOVED that an expression of the Board's thinking on this matter be sent to the Papal Secretary of State, telling him of their gratitude for his visit to the United Nations and the Board's determination as a legislative body to work unceasingly toward the goal of peace and in the process to surmount the vast business created by men in terms of conflict based on race, creed, color and political orientation.

Seconded by Mr. Truglia and others and CARRIED unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT directed the Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Farrell, to write an appropriate letter, conveying the sentiments of the Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The President read the following report of the Steering Committee:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting held Monday, September 20, 1965

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held Monday, September 20, 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 Mrs. Lilliendahl, Mr. Connors, Mr. Kuczo and Mr. Remling.

(1) Additional Appropriations:

Additional appropriations, requested by the Mayor and previously approved by the Board of Finance 9/9/65 were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under the FISCAL COMMITTEE with all appropriations over \$2,000 (except pensions) referred to a secondary committee.

(2) Increase in Salary for Acting Mayor under Section 302.1 of Charter to be in proportion to Mayor's Salary (Mayor's salary increased to \$20,000.00 to take effect as of 12/1/65)

ORDERED ON AGENDA UNDER FISCAL COMMITTEE; also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

- (3) Concerning renewal of LEASE BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND THE HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB for term of five years, expiring January 1, 1971 at annual rental of \$2,000.00 payable in advance, in semi-annual payments of \$1,000.00 on January 1st and July 1st of each year (Mayor's letter of 8/24/65) (Previous lease was for three years and expires on January 1, 1966) (Approved by board of Finance on 9/9/65)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (4) Mayor's letter of 9/17/65, re-submitting name of David F. Squire (D) of 1398 Newfield Avenue to the Urban Redevelopment Commission for a 5 year term expiring August 7, 1970, (replacing Mr. Turrentine, whose term expired 8/7/65) (Second submission)

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE and ORDERED PLACED ON AGENDA

- (5) All matters not acted upon at the September 13, 1965 Board meeting, under Legislative and Rules Committee were ORDERED PLACED ON AGENDA.
- (6) The following two matters, deferred by the Planning & Zoning Committee, were ordered not placed on the agenda, per request of Mr. Russell, Chairman:
- (a) Change of street name from "HIGH VALLEY WAY" to "CLIFFHANGER ROAD" (Requested in letter of 7/29/65 from Dr. Abrahamson, 1425 Bedford Street) (Requires an Ordinance) (See opinion from Assistant Corporation Counsel, Minutes 4/1/57, page 1545)
 - (b) DISPOSITION OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY on September 1, 1964 Grand List, submitted by Commissioner of Finance under date of June 2, 1965, on which action was taken by Planning Board on July 20, 1965, pursuant to requirements of Section 2-24 of Code of General Ordinances (See Sec. 488 of Charter) (Letter dated 8/5/65 from Saul Kwartin, Chairman of Planning Board) (Held in Committee 9/13/65)

- (7) Proposed Ordinance concerning PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATION AREAS (Kept in Committee at the 9/13/65 Board meeting)

There was considerable discussion on the above proposed Ordinance. It was finally decided to refer this to the Legislative & Rules Committee for form only and ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under the PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE.

- (8) PETITION (Dated 9/10/65) from STAMFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC., requesting permission to erect and maintain Christmas lighting poles and/or arches across City streets during the Christmas Season

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA.

- (9) Letter from Thomas A. Morris, Majority Leader (dated 9/20/65) concerning referral of proposed Ordinance on PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATION AREAS to a Committee of Attorneys, to study this problem and recommend whatever action, if any, should be taken

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not ordered on agenda.

- (10) Concerning increases in benefits to retired employees by the Social Security Administration (Letter, dated 8/24/65, from Mr. John McGutcheon, Executive Secretary, Classified Employees Retirement Fund, requesting that the Board of Representatives authorize continuance of these increases to be passed on to those who retired under the old Pension Plan, as adopted in July 1952) (Deferred at the 9/13/65 Board meeting)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

- (11) 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" (Originally presented by Mr. Philpot, 15th District Representative) (See Minutes of 8/2/65, page 4454, item #2; and page 4438, item #16)

In the absence of the Chairman of the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, and at the request of Mr. Philpot, this was again PLACED ON THE AGENDA.

- (12) Concerning Public Address System and Recording System for Board's meeting room

The above matter was briefly discussed and it was explained that the "House Committee" expects to have a trial system ready in time for the October Board meeting.

- (13) Concerning communications with various corporations who specialize in recodification of Municipal Codes and meetings with same.

Correspondence on the above matter was introduced and discussed. The Chairman informed the Committee that meetings have been held with two firms who specialize in this type of work and others are being contacted. It was the feeling that this type of work, being so highly specialized, that extreme care should be exercised in getting a firm that can do the work with a minimum of expenditure of time and effort on the part of the City, such as proof-reading and checking on State Statutes and other legislation that ties in with recodification.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Alan H. Ketcham, Chairman
Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, said his Committee met earlier this evening, with all members present and approved the following appointment.

Ballots were distributed by the Tellers. The vote is recorded below:

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

DAVID F. SQUIRE (D)
1398 Newfield Avenue
(Replacing Mr. Turrentine, whose term
expired on August 7, 1965) (2nd submission)

Term Ending:

August 7, 1970
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 18 yes
16 no
1 abstention

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman, said his Committee met Thursday, September 30, 1965 and approved all items on the agenda with the exception of item #5.

- (1) \$1,500.00 - HUBBARD HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE, Code 730.2201, New Equipment
(Heating Unit for Locker Room Building) (Mayor's letter 9/1/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Bitetto and CARRIED.

- (2) \$4,391.25 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - Code 540.0101, Salaries (Additional Captain)
(Mayor's letter 9/1/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Hearing, who said his Committee - the Health & Protection Committee - also concurred in approval.

MR. PHILPOT said this was also referred to the Personnel Committee and they also concurred in approving this request. CARRIED.

- (3) \$337,533.00 - Resolution No. 471 amending 1965/1966 Capital Projects Budget to add appropriation (reduced from \$448,993.00 by Board of Finance on 9/9/65) for CLOONAN SCHOOL (Mayor's letter - undated)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Kuczo, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred in approval; CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 471

AMENDING 1965/1966 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY
ADDING THE SUM OF \$337,533.00 FOR ADDITION OF
SPECIFIC ITEMS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CLOONAN
SCHOOL PROJECT

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, to amend the 1965/1966 Capital Projects Budget of the Board of Education, in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter by adding the additional sum of \$337,533.00 (reduced from the original amount requested of \$448,993.00) and the appropriation of the aforesaid sum of \$337,533.00 which is to be financed by the issuance of bonds, and is to be utilized for the following items in connection with the Cloonan School Project:

#1 - Finishes, Auditorium and Music Room-----	\$144,529.00
#2 - Finishes, Exercise, Locker, Shower Rooms-----	42,940.00
#15 - Toilet Partitions-----	2,500.00
#16 - Folding Partitions-----	25,584.00
#18 - Elevator-----	13,980.00
Fixed Equipment (excluding Kitchen)-----	108,000.00
	<u>\$337,533.00</u>

- (4) \$3,549.24 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - PENSION for Police Armorer Henry V. Shanen, effective 9/16/65, based on annual pension of \$4,483.33, or two-thirds of his annual salary of \$6,725.00 (Mayor's letter 9/3/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above pension. Seconded by Mrs. Lilliendahl and CARRIED.

- (5) Increase in Salary for Acting Mayor under Section 302.1 of Charter to be in proportion to Mayor's Salary (Mayor's Salary increased to \$20,000.00 as of 12/1/65)

The above matter was held in Committee.

- (6) Resolution No. 472 - Amending 1965/1966 Capital Projects Budget, Board of Education for NORTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL to add \$35,000.00 thereto for blacktopping (Mayor's letter of 9/28/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring the above matter on the floor. Seconded by Mr. Kane. CARRIED.

MR. HEMINGWAY explained that this one item, which was approved at a special meeting of the Board of Finance on Friday, October 1, 1965, was necessary at this time for the reason that the asphalt plants will soon close for the winter.

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Lilliendahl and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 472

AMENDING 1965/1966 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET, BOARD OF EDUCATION, BY ADDING ITEM TO PROJECT KNOWN AS "NORTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL" IN AMOUNT OF \$35,000.00 TO BE USED FOR MACADAM PAVEMENTS FOR SERVICE DRIVE, SIDEWALKS AND PLAY AREA (Mayor's letter of 9/28/65)

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, to amend the 1965/1966 Capital Projects Budget of the Board of Education, item known as "NORTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL" in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter by adding thereto the additional sum of \$35,000.00 and the appropriation of the aforesaid sum of \$35,000.00 for said project, to be utilized for macadam pavements for service drive, sidewalks and play area.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. SELSBERG, Chairman, reported that meetings of his Committee were held on Monday, 9/27/65, Thursday, 9/30/65 and Monday, 10/4/65.

- (1) Final adoption of amended Ordinance "PROHIBITING WASTE OF WATER BY ACTS NOT ESSENTIAL TO THE PUBLIC WELL-BEING IN THE STATE OF AN EMERGENCY" (Mayor's letter of 6/25/65) (Adopted for publication 7/12/65; published first time on 7/17/65; deferred 8/2/65; amended 9/13/65; re-published in amended form on 9/18/65)

THE PRESIDENT said he would now turn the Chair over to Mr. Thomas Morris, the Majority Leader, for the reason that he is an officer of the Water Company and in their employ.

MR. THOMAS MORRIS took the Chair, replacing Mr. Ketcham at this time.

MR. SELSBERG said the above matter was discussed at a meeting of his Committee held on 9/27/65, as well as some other matters which appear on tonight's agenda.

He said Mr. Bell, President of the Stamford Water Company was invited to attend their meeting and was present with his Attorney, as well as the President of this Board and the Majority and Minority Leaders.

MR. SELSBERG said his Committee voted for final adoption of the Ordinance as proposed. However, he said, as previously mentioned, another meeting of the Committee was held and it was determined, based upon information which had come to the Committee, that since their September 27th meeting, concerning the legality of the provision "and agreement by" which appears in Sec. 2 of the proposed Ordinance (see Minutes of September 13th; page 4478) three members out of five present at the Committee meeting voted to enact the Ordinance with an amendment deleting those three words.

MR. SELSBERG said he would first read the Ordinance; and then move to delete the words as above stated. The Ordinance follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 120 SUPPLEMENTAL

PROHIBITING WASTE OF WATER BY ACTS NOT ESSENTIAL TO THE PUBLIC WELL-BEING IN THE STATE OF AN EMERGENCY

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

Sec. 1 In conformity with Sections 420, 423 and 425 of the Stamford Charter it is hereby declared to be in the best interest of the public health and safety of the City of Stamford to regulate and restrict the use of water from the public water supply during emergencies caused by drought.

Sec. 2 A public emergency caused by drought is hereby defined to be a period of time when the Director of Health, in his judgment, after consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of the Stamford Water Company, determines that the water level at the reservoirs supplying water to the City are, or are in danger of reaching, low levels with relation to the needs of the City or when a drought threatens to result in insufficient water supply for the residents of the City of Stamford, or for the use of fire or other protective agencies of the City.

Sec. 3 A public emergency caused by drought as defined in Sec. 2 hereinabove, shall be declared by the Mayor of the City of Stamford, when, advised by the Director of Health that such circumstances and criteria set forth in Sec. 2 above warrant the determination of such an emergency in the interest of the public health and safety to the City of Stamford. The Mayor of the City of Stamford shall cause a public announcement of such determination of emergency to be made at least twice over the local radio station prior to the time of such emergency becoming effective. Publication of this fact shall be made prominently in two

successive publications in a newspaper published daily in the City of Stamford, after which publication, a public emergency caused by drought shall be in effect. Such public emergency caused by drought shall continue in effect until the Mayor of the City of Stamford shall determine that such an emergency shall no longer exist upon the advice of the Director of Health and shall make public announcement of the same by publishing an announcement, terminating the emergency, once in a newspaper published daily in the City of Stamford.

Sec. 4 The Director of Health shall make such rules and regulations governing and restricting the use and supply of water as are consistent with the needs of the public health, preservation of human life, sanitation, safety, welfare and economic needs of the City.

Sec. 5 The Director of Health shall submit said rules and regulations to the Board of Representatives and such rules and regulations shall, when and as approved by resolution of the Board of Representatives, have the force and effect of law, provided that a copy of the same is published at least once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City.

Sec. 6 Any person aggrieved by any order of the Director of Health shall have a right to appeal, within fifteen (15) days of the publishing of the rules and regulations, as approved by the Board of Representatives, in accordance with Section 423 of the Stamford Charter.

Sec. 7 Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance and/or the rules and regulations of the Director of Health, as approved by the Board of Representatives, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined an amount not exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or be imprisoned for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both.

Sec. 8 For the purposes of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations, shall have the meaning given herein. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular number, and words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

(a) "City" is the City of Stamford.

(b) "Person" is any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.

(c) "Water" is water from the Stamford Water Company system.

Sec. 9 If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

Sec. 10 Until such time as the rules and regulations hereinbefore referred to in Sec. 4 are approved by the Board of Representatives, the Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby empowered and authorized, in the time of a public emergency, as defined in Sec. 2 hereinabove, to declare any or all of the following acts to be unlawful:

- (a) The sprinkling, watering or irrigating of shrubbery, trees, lawns, grass, ground covers, plants, vines and flowers, not used in the furtherance of a person's livelihood or enterprise.
- (b) The filling or draining of pools, ponds, rivers or lakes used for private and/or public recreational purposes.
- (c) The washing of automobiles, if the same be not in the furtherance of a person's livelihood or enterprise.
- (d) The allowance of plumbing to remain out of repair, resulting in the escape of water.
- (e) The use of water from fire hydrants, unless same be used for the protection, safety and welfare of the residents and the City of Stamford by a public agency.

The provisions of this Section shall become of no force and effect and shall terminate and expire upon the approval by the Board of Representatives of the rules and regulations hereinbefore referred to in Sec. 4.

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

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for deletion of the words "and agreement by" which originally appeared in Sec. 2 after the words "consultation with...." and before the words "....the Chief Executive Officer of the Stamford Water Company.....". Seconded by Mr. Nathanson.

VOTE taken on Mr. Selsberg's amendment to delete the three words. CARRIED.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for adoption of the Ordinance as amended. Seconded by Dr. Norley.

MR. CONNORS said he has been reading in the papers that this is the Mayor's Ordinance. He asked if this Ordinance originated in the Board of Representatives or is it the Mayor's ordinance.

MR. SELSBERG said it was first initiated by the Mayor, proposed by the Corporation Counsel, amended in substantial form by the Board of Representatives' Legislative and Rules Committee. He said he thinks it is accurate to say that the Ordinance was written by the Legislative and Rules Committee.

MR. TRUGLIA said he would like to ask a question. He asked regarding Sec. 7 in regard to "....the rules and regulations of the Director of Health...." and asked if these rules have been spelled out in any way.

MR. SELSBERG said "not as yet".

MR. TRUGLIA asked if this is so, how then can we be certain as to what these rules and regulations will be.

MR. SELSBERG replied we can't be sure - that the Director of Health will promulgate these rules and regulations and thereafter, as the ordinance reads, they will come before the Board of Representatives for final approval. He said once these rules are approved, there is a limitation in the ordinance which allows them an appeal - Sec. 423 of the Charter - right to the Mayor. He said he imagines the Director of Health, if he deems it necessary, will first hold a public hearing. He said, of course, the people of the City always have recourse to this Board.

MR. TRUGLIA asked if this Ordinance can be in effect without these rules and regulations.

MR. SELSBERG said definitely.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to ask Mr. Selsberg another question - what effect, if any, would this have on the Town of Darien who buys water from the City of Stamford.....as far as rules and regulations are concerned.

THE CHAIRMAN explained that in the Darien Review there have appeared advertisements in the saving of water and also that Darien intends to pass an Ordinance as soon as Stamford adopts one.

MR. CONNORS said in the past when Stamford tried to comply with the saving of water, such as not washing cars, etc., but he noticed that in Darien he saw sprinklers on all day long. He said when we sell water to Darien, why do we have to live by one set of rules and they live by another set of rules. In the event that they do not enact any ordinance, Stamford will continue to sell water to Darien. He said he thought there should be some wording incorporated in the Ordinance which would have some effect on Darien's use of water also.

THE CHAIRMAN said he does not believe Stamford can control what Darien does, but it has been well advertised that they intend to follow whatever precedent Stamford sets in the control of the use of water.

MR. KANE said he would like to clarify this question. He said he has already asked this question of the President of the Water Company who said that in their contract with the Town of Darien it states that they have to abide by the rules set by the City of Stamford, so whatever regulations we set here will also be binding on the Town of Darien.

MR. RYBNICK asked what is to prevent people from violating the rules and regulations of this ordinance, if in the meantime while we are waiting for these to be drawn up, violations occur.

MR. SELSBERG pointed out that is the reason for the temporary provisions contained in Sec. 10 of the ordinance. He said that until a public emergency is declared, the ordinance is not in effect, but only if and when such a public emergency is declared as provided in the ordinance. He said until such rules and regulations are adopted by this Board, the Mayor can utilize the provisions as contained in Sec. 10.

MR. NATHANSON said this ordinance was discussed at great length last month and at this time would MOVE THE PREVIOUS QUESTION. Seconded by Mrs. Lilliendahl and CARRIED with 4 "no" votes.

MR. THOMAS MORRIS, CHAIRMAN, said a vote will now be taken for final adoption of Ordinance No. 120. CARRIED unanimously.

MR. MORRIS relinquished the Chair to Mr. Ketcham, President, who now took the Chair as presiding officer.

- (2) Proposed Ordinance - Concerning 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 Town and City Clerk's Office (Mayor's letter 6/18/65) (Deferred 8/2/65 and on 9/13/65)

MR. SELSBERG said this item had been deferred at the last Board meeting, for the reason that it was getting very late by the time they reached this matter on the Board's agenda.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for adoption for publication of the following proposed ordinance; seconded and CARRIED:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - CONCERNING 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 TOWN AND CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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 exchange of property between the City of Stamford, Colonial Cemeteries, Inc., and Long Mill, Incorporated, of the following described property:

Property deeded to the City of Stamford by Colonial Cemeteries, Inc.:

All those certain pieces, parcels or tracts of land situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, being known and designated as Parcel "A" and Parcel "C" on a certain map to be filed in the City and Town Clerk's Office of the City of Stamford, entitled "City of Stamford, Map Showing Southerly Street Line of Oaklawn Avenue as Agreed to Between the City Engineer and Colonial Cemeteries, Incorporated" November, 1960.

Property to be deeded to Long Mill, Incorporated by the City of Stamford, Connecticut:

All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, being known and designated as Parcel "B" on a certain map to be filed in the City and Town Clerk's Office of the City of Stamford, entitled "City of Stamford, Map Showing Southerly Street Line of

Oaklawn Avenue as Agreed to Between the City Engineer and Colonial Cemeteries, Incorporated* November, 1960.

and is hereby authorized.

The Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City and to execute all documents necessary to transfer title to such above described property.

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

- (3) Proposed Ordinance - Concerning SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY - 35 x 125 ft. strip of land, known as Lot #216 on Hillandale Avenue, to William C. Mocher, for the sum of \$3,500.00 (Mayor's letter of 5/20/65) (Deferred 8/2/65 and 9/13/65)

MR. SELSBERG explained that the reason the above matter was deferred was because they had no description of the property and further that the question arose, raised by a Committee member as to whether or not we could do this legally, and it was satisfied by the Corporation Counsel's Office.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for adoption for publication of the following proposed ordinance; seconded and CARRIED:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - CONCERNING SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY OF
35 x 125 FOOT STRIP OF LAND, KNOWN AS LOT #216 ON HILLANDALE
AVENUE, TO WILLIAM C. MOCHER

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, Section 2-24 to 2-27 inclusive of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the sale of City-owned property to William C. Mocher, residing at 89 Hillandale Avenue of the following described property:

ALL that certain piece, parcel or tract of land, situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point which is the northeasterly corner of land now owned by the Releasee on Hillandale Avenue, thence 35 feet in an easterly direction along the southerly line of Hillandale Avenue to a point, thence in a southerly direction 125 feet on a line parallel to the easterly boundary of said land of the Releasee to a point, thence in a westerly direction 35 feet to the southeasterly corner of said land of the Grantee, thence in a northerly direction 125 feet along the easterly boundary of said land of the Releasee to the point or place of beginning,

for the sum of \$3,500.00 is hereby authorized.

The Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City and to execute all documents necessary to transfer title to such above described property.

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

- (4) Final adoption of Ordinance No. 121 concerning CONVEYANCE BY CITY OF STAMFORD TO TURN-OF-RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT, COVERING PARCEL OF LAND ON WESTERLY SIDE OF TURN-OF-RIVER ROAD AT BUXTON FARM ROAD EXTENSION, PURCHASED BY THE TURN-OF-RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW FIRE HEADQUARTERS (Mayor's letter of 7/22/65) (Approved for publication 9/13/65; published 9/21/65)

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for final adoption of the following ordinance; seconded by Mr. Nathanson and CARRIED unanimously:

ORDINANCE NO. 121 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING CONVEYANCE BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO
TURN-OF-RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT, COVERING PARCEL
OF LAND ON WESTERLY SIDE OF TURN-OF-RIVER ROAD
AT BUXTON FARM ROAD EXTENSION, PURCHASED BY THE
TURN-OF-RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION
OF NEW FIRE HEADQUARTERS

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, Section 2-24 to 2-27 inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the conveyance by the City of Stamford to the TURN-OF-RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC., of Stamford, Fairfield County, State of Connecticut, the following described property:

ALL that certain parcel of land, situated in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, on the Westerly side of Turn-of-River Road at Buxton Farm Road Extension, and containing 0.50 of an acre, more or less, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the northerly highway line of Buxton Farm Road Extension at the division line between lands now or formerly of Marion Doniger, et al, and of the State of Connecticut; thence along land of said Marion Doniger, et al, northerly, 140 feet, more or less, to a Connecticut Highway Department monument, and northwesterly, along a curved line having a radius of 124.29 feet and deflecting to the left, 110 feet, more or less, to a point 90 feet southeasterly from the measured at right angles to the base line of Ramp "D" of Merritt Parkway; thence along the southeasterly highway line of Ramp "D" of Merritt Parkway, as established by this instrument, northeasterly, along a straight line, to a point 110 feet southeasterly from and measured at right angles to said base line at Station 8+00; and northeasterly again, along a straight line, to the westerly

highway line of Turn-of-River Road (formerly old High Ridge Road, see Right-of-Way Map 135-180, Sec. 6, Sheet 1, on file in the office of the Stamford Town Clerk), the total distance for the last two courses being 210 feet, more or less, said straight line being elongated to a Connecticut Highway Department monument set in the easterly highway line of said Turn-of-River Road; thence southerly along said westerly highway line, 297 feet, more or less, to a point 25 feet northerly from and measured at right angles to the base line of Buxton Farm Road Extension; thence westerly, along the northerly highway line of Buxton Farm Road Extension, as established by this instrument, along a line which is 25 feet northerly from and parallel with said base line, 16 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

The premises herein described consist of a portion of the premises acquired by the State of Connecticut from Catherine Dunn, by a Quit-Claim Deed, dated December 30, 1936 and recorded in the Stamford Land Records in Volume 459 at Page 47.

For the consideration of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations, is hereby approved, approval thereof by the Mayor, the Planning Board and the Board of Finance of the City of Stamford having previously been granted.

The Mayor is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to transfer title to the hereinabove described premises.

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

- (5) Renewal of LEASE BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND THE HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB for term of five years, expiring January 1, 1971 at annual rental of \$2,000.00, payable, in advance, in semi-annual payments of \$1,000.00 on January 1st and July 1st of each year (Mayor's letter of 8/24/65) (Previous lease was for 3 years and expires on January 1, 1966)

MR. SELSBERG said the Committee recommends approval of the renewal of the above lease.

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

- (6) Request for WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE for St. Joseph's Hospital (Their letter of Sept. 27, 1965)

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to bring the above request on the floor. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. SELSBERG MOVED for approval of waiver of Building Permit Fee for the above named hospital, as requested in letter from Sister Daniel Marie, Administrator and under the provisions of Ordinance No. 80.7 of the Building Code of the City of Stamford. Seconded and CARRIED.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

PETITION NO. 312 - Stamford Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants' Council
Christmas Lighting across major City streets during
Christmas Season

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the above request, subject to compliance with all City ordinances and permission of the Police and Fire Departments, and the furnishing of proper insurance coverage and major safeguards to be maintained.
Seconded and CARRIED.

Proposed Ordinance concerning PARKS, BEACHES, AND RECREATIONAL AREAS
(Deferred 9/13/65)

MR. KELLY reported that this Committee met with the Legislative and Rules Committee the evening of September 30th, with the following present: Mr. Edward A. Connell, Supt. of Parks; Mr. Edward Hunt, Supt. of Recreation; Patrick Ryan, Corporation Counsel; Alan Ketcham, President, Board of Representatives; Thomas Morris, Majority Leader; Anthony Truglia, Minority Leader and Attorney John Hanrahan, former Corporation Counsel under the Quigley administration.

Mr. Kelly said the proposed Ordinance was discussed, pro and con, with questions and answers from those in attendance. At the close of this open meeting, he said the Committee met and voted to present the Ordinance for approval for publication at the October Board meeting.

MR. KELLY MOVED for approval of the following proposed Ordinance, for publication; seconded by Mr. Truglia:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE - CONCERNING PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATIONAL AREAS

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Chapter 23, Sec. 23-1 through Sec. 23-4 of the Code of General Ordinances is hereby repealed, and new Sections substituted therefor, reading as follows:

CHAPTER 23. PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATION AREAS

Sec. 23-1. Rules and Regulations governing the conduct and activities of all persons using the recreational areas, such as bathing areas, tennis courts, baseball diamonds, lawn bowling, playground areas equipped with permanent recreational facilities, handball courts, bocci courts, basketball courts, soccer fields, badminton courts, horseshoe courts, archery ranges, shooting ranges, wading pools, and volleyball courts. Recreation areas for the purpose of this Ordinance are defined to be those places set aside within public parks for the above purposes, designated as such by the Park Department or the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, and shall have the force and effect of law, provided a copy of such rules and regulations as adopted by the Board of Recreation and approved by the Board of Representatives, is published at least once in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Stamford, and a copy of same is posted in a conspicuous place on the premises in question.

Sec. 23-2. Rules and Regulations governing the location of recreational and park areas adopted; publication and posting.

The Park Commission of the City of Stamford shall determine the place and location of public parks and recreational areas within the bounds of public parks and shall prepare and maintain the same in a condition suitable for safe use by the public. The Park Commission shall determine the rules and regulations governing the conduct and activities of persons using those portions of public parks not designated by it or the Board of Representatives for use by the public for the conduct of recreational areas under the supervision of the Board of Recreation;

The Park Department shall prepare, condition and maintain within the appropriation therefor, such public recreational areas and public bathing facilities and maintain them in a condition suitable for use by the public.

Sec. 23-3. Rules and Regulations of Hubbard Heights Golf Club; publication and posting.

Those rules and regulations for the use and conduct of the Hubbard Heights Golf Club and all of its facilities which have been, or shall be, adopted by the Hubbard Heights Golf Club Commission and filed with the Board of Representatives and approved by such Board by resolution, shall have the force and effect of law; provided that a copy of the same is published at least once in a newspaper having a general circulation in the City of Stamford and a copy of the same is posted in a conspicuous place at such premises.

Sec. 23-4. Violations of rules and regulations adopted by Sections 23-1 through 23-3.

A violation of all or any part of such rules and regulations which have been adopted in accordance with Section 23-1 through 23-3 shall be deemed a misdemeanor and punished in the manner provided for in Section 1-11.

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

MR. KELLY MOVED for a roll call vote. Seconded.

THE PRESIDENT said he would like to point out at this time that the vote is only for publication and the discussion will not be on the merits, but on publication alone.

THE PRESIDENT said this had been referred to the Legislative and Rules Committee as to form and called upon Mr. Selsberg, Chairman of that Committee.

MR. SELSBERG said he has not seen the Ordinance, as proposed, yet. He asked for a recess at this time so that he could look over the Ordinance.

A RECESS was declared at this time (9:30 P.M.).

Mr. John Morris and Mr. Remling were excused and left the meeting.

The recess being over, the members resumed their seats.

MR. SELSBERG said his Committee met and feel the Ordinance is in substantially good enough form for publication.

MR. MORRIS MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on the Ordinance for publication, as proposed by Mr. Kelly. CARRIED.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

MR. PHILPOT, Chairman, presented the following Committee report:

Concerning increases in benefits to retired employees by the Social Security Administration (Letter, dated 8/24/65, from Mr. John McCutcheon, Executive Secretary, Classified Employees Retirement Fund, requesting that the Board of Representatives authorize continuance of these increases to be passed on to those who retired under the old Pension Plan, as adopted in July 1952) (Deferred 9/13/65)

The Retirement Department requested this Board to take such steps as may be necessary to prevent presently retired members of the Classified Employees Retirement Plan from having their City pensions reduced by the 1965 Social Security Act.

At the September 13, 1965 meeting, this Committee introduced a resolution intended to prevent such a reduction - not only under the 1965 Act, but also under future Acts as well.

This matter has been discussed with the Corporation Counsel and the proper procedure to follow seems to be unclear. The remedy for persons who retired prior to the passage of the 1964 Classified Employees Retirement Plan amendments may possibly have been included in a Charter provision which was adopted in 1964 and perhaps only a slight additional amendment may be needed.

MR. PHILPOT said he is writing to the Corporation Counsel, requesting a study of the problem by his office and asking for a reply at the earliest possible moment, and that he hopes this clarification will be received prior to the November 8th meeting of this Board.

Concerning incorporation of Personnel Committee into another Committee and abolishing it as a separate standing committee of the Board

MR. PHILPOT spoke at some length on this matter, explaining that in his opinion there was not enough work for the Personnel Committee to have it continued as a separate standing committee. He said it was the opinion of the majority of the members of the Personnel Committee that its functions should be incorporated into

one of the other standing committees, such as the Appointments Committee, or the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, (if this latter Committee is separated from the Education function and becomes the "Welfare and Government Committee").

MR. PHILPOT said his Committee therefore suggests that this recommendation be considered and that the Personnel Committee be discontinued as a Standing Committee and its functions be absorbed into another Standing Committee.

MR. KANE objected to the abolishing of the Personnel Committee or to its becoming a part of another Standing Committee. He said just because the Committee does not have much work before it at this time does not necessarily mean that this situation could not change in the future and for this reason he believes it should be kept as a Standing Committee.

He said he had intended to bring up a matter later on in regard to the study of a major medical plan for the City employees and which he was going to ask be referred to the Personnel Committee. He said he is quite sure that this would require extensive study.

Mr. Kane said he feels that the Personnel Committee has accomplished a great deal and disagrees with Mr. Philpot in his feeling that it does not have enough work to do. He said they have tried to raise the benefits for City employees who have retired and also the considerable work the Committee has done regarding collective bargaining speaks for itself in regards to the need for the Committee to continue as a Standing Committee. He said he feels that any recommendations in regard to the changing of Standing Committees of this Board be left alone and that this is a matter that should rather be taken up by a new Board in their Organization meeting.

THE PRESIDENT said he believes Mr. Kane is correct and as the Board will soon be going out of existence and a new Board will soon be taking office and at this late date, it might be better to let the 9th Board coming into office on December 1, 1965 make their own rules and regulations and whatever changes they may feel are desirable.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

MR. KUCZO said his Committee met September 30, 1965 in the Municipal Office Building. Present were the following: Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. Philpot and Mr. Kuczo, Chairman. He said two matters were considered, one which was reported out earlier in the evening under the Fiscal Committee report.

Concerning creation of a new Standing Committee to be known as "EDUCATION COMMITTEE"

MR. KUCZO said his Committee considered a resolution proposed by Mr. Philpot to create a new Standing Committee to be known as the "Education Committee". He said two members voted in favor of Mr. Philpot's resolution and one opposed. He read the resolution as offered by Mr. Philpot at this time, as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Representatives shall establish a five member Standing Committee, to be called the "Education Committee"; and

That the responsibility of this Committee shall be to establish and maintain a close liaison with the Board of Education so that the respective viewpoints and problems of both Boards may be better understood by each; and

That the name of the present Education, Welfare & Government Committee shall be changed to "Welfare & Government Committee" and its responsibility altered accordingly; and

That the Chairman of the "Education Committee" shall be a member of the Steering Committee; and

That the Chairman of the Education Committee shall not be an employee of the Stamford School system.

MR. KUCZO MOVED for adoption of the above resolution.

THE PRESIDENT called attention to the rules of the Board under amendments:

- "1. These rules shall not be amended, except by the vote of at least two-thirds of the members present at a meeting in which the notice of said meeting includes the text of the amendment."

THE PRESIDENT said it is his interpretation of these rules that the Board's agenda would necessarily have to carry, in toto, the text just read and it therefore would be improper to act on this proposal tonight, because it is contrary to the rules of the Board.

MR. PHILPOT read a five page statement at this time, giving his reasons in detail as to why he believes there should be established a Standing Committee to be known as the "Education Committee".

MR. KANE interrupted Mr. Philpot to ask a question. Mr. Philpot asked to be allowed to continue with his statement, which he did at this time.

MR. PHILPOT then proceeded to read his proposed resolution.

THE PRESIDENT informed Mr. Philpot that the Chair had allowed him a great deal of latitude by the reading of his statement. He said he again would remind him of the rules of the Board which are very specific as to amending the Board's rules, which he believes was done for this very reason - to limit the power to amend the rules of the Board easily. He said the Chair ruled previously that the requirements of the Rules of Order of this Board were not met in this particular instance, because it was not included in the notice of the meeting and therefore the Board cannot act on this matter tonight.

MR. PHILPOT objected to the Ruling of the Chair.

MR. MURPHY rose on a point of order. He asked if it were not possible for the previous speaker to request the Steering Committee to place this on the agenda for action by the Board at their November 8th meeting.

MR. PHILPOT said that was exactly what he was about to do - to request that it be placed on the agenda for the November Board meeting.

MR. SELSBERG rose on a point of information. He said it would appear as if this was already on the Board's agenda and appears under Education, Welfare & Government Committee. He said it seems to him that this would be sufficient notice.

THE PRESIDENT said he can only refer the speaker to the exact wording which he read previously when quoting from the Rules of the Board. He said what appears on the Agenda does not contain the "text" of the amendment.

MR. PHILPOT said he is seeking now to have this put on the November agenda for action, and is following the rules of this Board, according to his interpretation.

THE PRESIDENT said this would necessarily have to be placed on the agenda by action of the Steering Committee.

MR. CONNORS objected to some statements made by Mr. Philpot when he read his prepared statement, especially some that he made in regard to the Fiscal Committee. He said the Fiscal Committee always consults with the Board of Education in any matters they have in regard to that Board. He said the Committee does not make across the Board cuts without knowing where these cuts are going to be. He said, as an example, last Thursday night they sat in a meeting with the Board of Education for three hours, discussing a matter. He said as far as budget cuts are concerned, they have no control over how the Board of Education spends the money - we can make cuts, but we can't tell them where the cut is going to be. He said it appears from some of the remarks that were made by Mr. Philpot in reading his statement, that there must be something wrong somewhere along the line - either with this Board or the Board of Education. He said he would like to ask Mr. Philpot a question - what are his reasons for asking for this change of Committees? He said what makes him think that this proposed Committee would fare better than the Education, Welfare & Government Committee does which the Board has at the present time.

MR. PHILPOT said he was not finished reading his statement.

MR. KANE rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He said he does not think we are following proper parliamentary procedure. He said he does not believe there is anything before the Board at this time.

THE PRESIDENT said he is correct - that there is nothing before the Board and nothing that can be acted on at this time.

MR. CONNORS MOVED that the Board go to the next order of business.

MR. PHILPOT objected. He asked if he could not be allowed to continue reading his statement, so that it can be placed on the November Agenda by a vote of the Board.

THE PRESIDENT replied that it can be placed on the November agenda in the normal procedure, which is to have it be placed there by the Steering Committee, whose function it is to approve matters that are placed on the Agenda. He said the Chair has given a great deal of latitude to his remarks - that he has made his point and the Board should now pass on to the next order of business.

MR. SELSBERG said he would like to have an idea of just how many members of the Education Committee Mr. Philpot is proposing. He said it is his belief that if the rules are going to be amended, there must be an indication of how many members there should be in a given Committee.

THE PRESIDENT said that would have to be included in the resolution, which he presumes Mr. Philpot will present to the Steering Committee for consideration at their next meeting, for inclusion on the Agenda for the November Board meeting.

MR. RYBNICK said it is his recollection that at a recent meeting with members of the Board of Education, they indicated that they would rather meet with the Fiscal Committee on matters concerned with additional appropriations.

THE PRESIDENT said it seems that enough time has been spent on talking about a matter that is not before the Board and we had better "get back on the rails".

He asked Mr. Kuczo if the report of the Education, Welfare & Government Committee is concluded.

MR. KUCZO replied that his report is concluded.

MR. KANE said that inasmuch as Mr. Kuczo has reported this matter out favorably by his Committee - what are we going to do about it now?

THE PRESIDENT said, in accordance with the rules of the Board, this matter must appear (the text of the amendment) in toto on the agenda of the next Board meeting and at that time will be before the Board.

MR. PHILPOT asked if it is possible at this point to add one more item to that resolution.

THE PRESIDENT informed him that if he presents a resolution at the Steering Committee, he can add as much as he wants - that he is not bound as to what he may present to the Steering Committee.

MR. RUSSELL said it is his belief that the Fiscal Committee has spent many hours considering matters before the Board from the Board of Education and thinks their work has been sufficient to consider any matter from the Board of Education, and as there now exists a Committee that covers the Board of Education, namely the Education, Welfare and Government Committee - he can see no reason to create another Committee just to consider Education matters, and what more can be gained by establishing such a Committee.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH, Chairman, presented the following progress report:

MONTHLY REPORT October 4, 1965

The Urban Redevelopment Committee of the Board did not meet in the last month, but the following report of activity in the progress of the project is presented for the Board's record.

Acquisition: During September, nine properties were acquired at a total price of \$306,900.00. This brings to a total of 55 parcels acquired to date. A total of \$2,324,950.00 has been spent for acquisition of properties.

Family Relocation: The active caseload for the Family Relocation Office consists of 319.

Business Relocation: During September, one business was relocated and one terminated its operation through retirement. This leaves a balance of 275 firms to be relocated.

Quintard Building Fire: On the evening of September 27, the Quintard Building burned, causing a Fire Department's estimate of \$500,000.00 worth of damage and forcing the immediate relocation of the business tenants therein. There were no residential units in the building. A meeting was held on September 28 to determine the assistance to be given to the businessmen. Immediately thereafter, each business tenant was contacted, either in person or by telephone, and plans for his relocation discussed. It is anticipated that the building will be bought and demolished within the near future.

Demolition: The two buildings at 39 and 43-45 Willow Street, which were released to the Stamford House Wrecking Company, have been demolished, and Harris Engineers, demolition supervisors, are in the process of issuing a certificate of completion.

Broad Street Widening: The first construction contract was put out to bid on September 7th; the bid opening was September 17th; the Commission met on September 21st and awarded the contract to Paul Bacco and Son. The bids were as follows:

Paul Bacco and Sons, Inc.	\$54,790.50
D'Addario and Co.	60,421.00
Furano Brothers, Inc.	84,196.00

Construction began on September 27th and it is anticipated that it will be completed by November 10th.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING "HOUSE COMMITTEE"

THE PRESIDENT requested Mr. Lindstrom, Chairman of the above Committee, to explain the use of the equipment that is on loan to the Board tonight (public address and recording system).

MR. LINDSTROM said he has no formal report, but would like to thank Mr. Thomsen, of the Thomsen Audio System for his efforts which were overwhelming, in bringing forth these speakers and microphones for the use of the Board. He explained that this is on a trial basis and he personally thinks it worked very well. He said that on the President's desk he has the controls, which regulate the volume, another one which records directly on the Board's Audograph (recorder) and, in the event that someone should ask for a repeat of their exact words, it can be played back from the recorder over the public address system and in the event someone should be speaking and the name is not announced at the time, he can push another knob and dub in the name of the speaker. He said there also is a gain control in the event the Board should hold a public meeting or hearing and there is another microphone down back there for use by the public if it should be necessary. He said he hopes the demonstration meets with the Board's approval.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Thomsen to demonstrate the playback feature of the equipment, which he did at this time.

MR. KANE said he thinks this was an outstanding demonstration and thinks it should have been obtained a long time ago, because it has facilitated the meeting and hopes the Board moves along rapidly and purchases this equipment as soon as possible.

MR. LINDSTROM said he thinks this is a very fine piece of equipment, but believes that the addition of voting equipment would be a very definite asset and that it would cut down the time which is now spent in distributing and collecting and counting ballots.

THE PRESIDENT said he believes Mr. Lindstrom is right, but unfortunately the Board of Finance did not see fit to include this when the Board was turned down in their request for an additional appropriation to buy this equipment.

He pointed out that with this new equipment, it will cut down on the background noises and hum which made it difficult to always hear everyone on the recordings.

MR. LINDSTROM said he would like to point out that the only time the speaker's voice is recorded on the Audograph that the microphone must be turned on. Also, he said with this new system we will be doing away with the radio microphones and also with the overhead wires for the audograph machine.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

Letter from Stamford Planning Board, dated 10/28/65, concerning CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1966-1967 AND TEN-YEAR PROGRAM 1967-1977

OLD BUSINESS:

Concerning request for investigation of PROBLEMS OF COVE DAM PROJECT
(Letter from Paul Kuczo, (D), 10th District Representative, dated 10/5/65)

MR. KUCZO said for the past three months he has been asking for an investigation of the Cove Dam project. He said some of the members think it is a big joke, but the City has paid out almost a quarter of a million dollars for this Project, and at least 75% of it is cracked. He said he pointed this out way back in April, and a letter was received dated March 30th, from the Commissioner of Public Works, stating that he would take care of it as soon as the weather permitted and now we are going into bad weather again and presumably, another administration and this matter is still not corrected. He said another thing is that bids were not sent out as is provided by the Charter. He said these are some of the things that he had asked be investigated along with the lifting of the tide gates and as of this date, he has received no response this year, since February 4th at which time he first called attention to this matter and has submitted six or more letters in regard to it. He said he received one letter which did not half answer his questions.

Concerning disposition of CLOONAN SCHOOL

MR. TRUGLIA said it has been several months since he asked what we are going to do with Cloonan School - the old Cloonan School. He said a Committee was formed, but to his knowledge nothing has been done. He said he has heard that the Mayor

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has selected a "blue ribbon committee" to act on Cloonan School and as far as he is able to discover, nothing has been done. He said he asked last month what was being done about the future of the school and was told at that time that something was going to be done within a week. He asked if anyone knows what has happened in this matter.

MR. KELLY said the East Side Democratic Club has been after the same thing for some six to eight months. He said they were asked to submit a list of what they thought should be done to rehabilitate the school and nothing has been heard since and they are about to be discharged without hearing anything further about the matter.

Concerning Committee to deal with Senior Citizens

MR. KELLY said he and Mr. Iacovo were appointed by the Board to act as liaison between the Senior Citizens and this Board and sees by the papers that the Mayor has another Committee being formed for the same purpose. He said he has heard nothing further.

MR. TRUGLIA returned to the subject of the CLOONAN SCHOOL and said he is very much concerned as to what is going to be done with the building, as the place is becoming a real shambles. He said if this "Blue Ribbon Committee" has no intention of acting that he would like to suggest the Board reactivate the one in our own Board and try to do something that is substantial and concrete before the next Board meeting.

MR. RUSSELL suggested that perhaps this should be referred to the Education, Welfare and Government Committee, to investigate, and come back with the answer.

MR. MORRIS said it is his understanding that the Committee is looking into the cost of this and how it might be done in connection with the "Poverty Program". He said it is apparent that something cannot be done overnight, but on the other hand, he knows that something has to be done and he is sure the committee is trying to look into what would be the best use of this school.

NEW BUSINESS:

Concerning INSTITUTION OF A COMPREHENSIVE MAJOR MEDICAL PLAN FOR ALL MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

MR. KANE MOVED that the Board of Representatives, through its Steering Committee, refer to the Personnel Committee the task of developing and instituting a comprehensive major MEDICAL PLAN for all municipal employees.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kane to present this in writing to Mrs. Farrell. This was done.

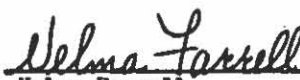
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 10:50 P.M.

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APPROVED:


Alan H. Ketcham, President
Board of Representatives


Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

Note: The above meeting was broadcast
over Radion Station WSTC.

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