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MEETING OF THE 9TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of December 6, 1965
Stamford, Connecticut

The first regular monthly meeting of the newly elected 9th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, was held on Monday, December 6, 1965 in the Board's meeting room, Municipal Office Building, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, George E. Russell, at 8:10 P.M.

RE: MICROPHONES

MR. RUSSELL reminded the members to be sure and turn on their "Mike" when they wished to speak - otherwise they will not be heard over the air, nor will their voices be recorded on the Audograph machine.

INVOCATION: Given by Rev. Joseph A. Hefferman, St. Cecilia's R. C. 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 newly elected Clerk of the 9th Board - Mrs. Hilda S. Clarke (R member from the 17th District.

There were 36 members present and 4 absent at the calling of the roll. However, a resignation was presented and a replacement sworn in, changing the roll call to 37 present and 3 absent. The absent members were: Vincent Caporizzo, Paul Kuczo and Patsy Arruzza.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of November 8, 1965

The Minutes of the above meeting were accepted, with one correction on page 4529. Mr. Le Beau called attention to the fact that in the roll call vote taken on the question of TABLING a proposed change in the rules, he had voted in the negative, and his name had been inadvertently omitted although the number of votes recorded was correct.

RESIGNATION - DOMINICK VIVONA (D) , 9th District

MR. FUSARO, Minority Leader, submitted the letter of resignation of DOMINICK VIVONA, Democrat, Representative from the 9th District, effective upon the appointment of his successor.

ELECTION OF REPLACEMENT - THEODORE J. BOCCUZZI (D) , 9th District:

MR. FUSARO read a letter from Patsy Arruzza, (D) member from the 9th District, placing the name of Theodore J. Boccuzzi, Democrat, residing at 41 Wright Street in the 9th District, as replacement for Dominick Vivona.

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

VOTE taken on the election of Mr. Boccuzzi. CARRIED unanimously.

THE PRESIDENT administered the oath of office to Mr. Boccuzzi and he assumed his seat on the Board of Representatives as Representative from the 9th District.

THE PRESIDENT announced that there are now 37 members present and 3 absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The President read the following report of the Steering Committee:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT
Meeting held Wednesday, December 1, 1965

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Wednesday, December 1, 1965 in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut, immediately after the Organization Meeting of the newly elected 9th Board of Representatives.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and President of the Board, George E. Russell. All 15 members were present.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

- (1) Mayor Thomas C. Mayers' letter (dated 11/30/65) requesting confirmation of the following appointments to his Cabinet: (ORDERED ON AGENDA AND REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE)

CORPORATION COUNSEL: W. Patrick Ryan, Esq.

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE: Mr. Gibbs Lyons

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS: Mr. George A. Ferrara

- (2) Mayor Thomas C. Mayers' letter (dated 11/30/65) appointing CHARLES HOYT as a member of the PERSONNEL COMMISSION, being the employees' choice in recent election, requesting confirmation of appointment (See Sec. 731 of Charter)

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (3) Letter (dated 11/4/65) from Helen A. Tobin, Acting Supt. of Schools, requesting \$128,700.00 in reimbursement by the State of Connecticut for the period 7/1/65 to 6/30/66, for Project 135-1 presented by Board of Education and approved under "AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AID FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN" in accordance with Resolution No. 470 adopted by the Board of Representatives on 9/13/65, which resolution reserves the right to the Board to revoke this resolution.

REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE and EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (4) Mayor's letter (dated 10/15/65) concerning amendment to 1965/1966 Capital Projects Budget to add item to be known as "ACQUISITION OF THE FIELDING PROPERTY" located at southeast corner of North Street and Adams Avenue and appropriation of \$75,000.00 therefor.

REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE and EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (5) Mayor's letters of 10/21/65 and 10/22/65 requesting salary appropriations for reclassification of three Administrative Assistants in Mayor's Office, Board of Representatives' Office and Park Department Office, which were previously approved by the Personnel Commission in October 1965, each in the amount of \$178.22 (Each reclassified from Administrative Assistant 1, S-12 to Administrative Assistant 11, S-15, Step "C", effective October 7, 1965)

REFERRED TO FISCAL COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (6) Increase in reimbursement for Deputy Acting Mayor under Sec. 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 - To be in amount of \$54.79 per day, based on a 7 day week)

The above matter, having been deferred by the 8th Board for action by the 9th Board, was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA UNDER FISCAL COMMITTEE.

- (7) Mayor's letter of 10/28/65 CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. McMILLAN, covering property located off Davenport Ridge Road (to correct ambiguity in original easement given to the City by the subdivider (Approved by Board of Finance 11/16/65)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (8) Letter (dated 12/1/65) with attached resolution, from Mr. Nathanson and Mr. Selsberg, 11th District Representatives, requesting that a special committee be appointed to investigate and report back to the Board within 60 days, all aspects of the water shortage and measures to be taken to avoid future trouble

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (9) Letter (dated 11/14/65) from Paul Kuczo, 8th District Representative, concerning WATER SHORTAGE

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (10) Letter (dated 11/27/65) from Wm. Linke, President of North Stamford Democratic Club, concerning abolition of SECRET BALLOTS

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (11) Petition from residents requesting STORM DRAINS ON FOWLER STREET (Presented by Joseph Bitetto, 14th District Representative)

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (12) Petitions for acceptance of roads as City streets (held in Committee for various reasons) - ORDERED PLACED ON AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

- (13) Letter (dated 10/18/65) from E. A. Connell, Supt., Dept. of Parks & Trees, requesting approval of MARINA FEES AND I. D. CARD FEE of 50¢ for 1966/1967 Season

The above matter, having been held in Committee from the previous Board was REFERRED TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE and ORDERED ON THE AGENDA.

- (14) Supplementary action required by Board per terms of Sec. 204.1a of Charter on ORDINANCE NO. 124 SUPPLEMENTAL "CONCERNING PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATIONAL AREAS" (Approved by the 8th Board at 11/8/65 meeting and subsequently vetoed by the Mayor on 11/19/65)

The above matter was PLACED ON THE AGENDA under PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE in accordance with the Charter provisions contained in Sec. 204.1a.

- (15) Three notices from STATE LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION, concerning applications to sell intoxicating beverages - Copies ordered sent to Urban Renewal Committee and the Planning & Zoning Committee for information.
- (16) Copy of letter (dated 11/22/65) sent to Mayor Meyers, concerning a CIVIC CENTER for Stamford, from Gerald J. Rybnick, President of the East Side Democratic Club.

Copies of the above letter were sent to the Board Officers and REFERRED TO THE URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE for information.

- (17) Letter (dated 11/15/65) to President of Board from James F. Simon, President of the Northeast Elementary School PTA, concerning access road to the school.

REFERRED TO EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

- (18) Letter (dated 11/29/65) to President of Board from Saul Kwartin, Chairman of Planning Board regarding "RESERVATION OF LAND FOR FUTURE ROAD SOUTH FROM WOODCHUCK ROAD"

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE, with copies of letter sent to Board Officers and Chairman of Planning & Zoning Committee for information. (Planning Board promised to send extra copies of enclosures, maps, etc. -- none received to date)

- (19) Letter (dated 11/8/65) from Paul Kuczo, 8th District Representative, concerning 12 matters which he said were referred to the previous Board, on which he said no action has been taken

The above communication was discussed and Mrs. Farrell was instructed to contact Mr. Kuczo and ask him to please handle each one of the 12 separate matters individually in separate communications in order that they may be referred to the proper Committees.

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

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George E. Russell, Chairman
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting of the Committee was held on Thursday, December 2, 1965 at 7:30 P. M. In attendance were Mr. Nathanson, Mr. Bitetto and Mr. Buchanan.

He reported that Mr. Buchanan was appointed Vice Chairman.

Mr. Nathanson read the qualifications for the following appointments for the Mayor's "Cabinet", each of which was approved by the Committee. He said no action would be taken tonight on the appointment to the PERSONNEL COMMISSION, but would be brought up for action at the January Board meeting. However, the Committee approved the appointment of Charles Hoyt, being the highest vote getter in the recent election held by the City employees under the terms of Sec. 731 of the Charter.

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

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| (1) <u>CORPORATION COUNSEL</u> : W. Patrick Ryan (R) | VOTE: 35 yes
2 no |
| (2) <u>COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE</u> : Gibbs Lyons (R) | VOTE: 35 yes
2 no |
| (3) <u>COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS</u> : George Ferrara (R) | VOTE: 32 yes
3 no
1 abstention
1 disqualified |

Stephen Kelly and Carmine Longo asked to be excused at this time (8:40 P.M.) thus changing the roll call to 35 now present.

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman, presented his Committee report, on the following matters:

- (1) \$128,700.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To receive reimbursement by the State of Connecticut for the period July 1, 1965 to June 30, 1966, for Project 135-1 presented by Board of Education and approved under "AN ACT CONCERNING STATE AID FOR DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN" (See Resolution No. 470 adopted 9/13/65 - page 4464 of Minutes -- Right to revoke resolution was retained by the Board)

MR. HEMINGWAY said his Committee recommends approval of this, which will be fully reimbursed to the City and the Board of Education. Seconded by Mr. Murphy, who said his Committee - the Education, Welfare & Government Committee - also approves this. CARRIED.

- (2) \$75,000.00 - Resolution No. 475 amending 1965-1966 Capital Projects Budget by adding item to be known as "ACQUISITION OF THE FIELDING PROPERTY" located at southeast corner of North Street and Adams Avenue, and appropriation of that amount therefor (Mayor's letter of 10/15/65)

MR. HEMINGWAY said his Committee recommends approval of the above request and MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Murphy, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also approves. CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 475AMENDING 1965-1966 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING
ITEM TO BE KNOWN AS "ACQUISITION OF THE FIELDING
PROPERTY" AND APPROPRIATION THEREFOR OF \$75,000.00

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 to include an item known as "ACQUISITION OF THE FIELDING PROPERTY" in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter by adding thereto the additional sum of \$75,000.00 and the appropriation of the aforesaid sum of \$75,000.00 for said Project.

- (3) \$178.22 - MAYOR'S OFFICE - Code 108.0101, Salaries - Reclassification of Administrative Assistant 1, S-12 to Administrative Assistant 11, S-15, Step "C", effective 10/7/65 - (Mayor's letter of 10/22/65)

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

- (4) \$178.22 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - Code 106.0101, Salaries, - Reclassification of Administrative Assistant 1, S-12 to Administrative Assistant 11, S-15, Step "C", effective 10/7/65 - (Mayor's letter of 10/21/65)

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

- (5) \$178.22 - PARK DEPARTMENT - Code 710.0101, Salaries - Reclassification of Administrative Assistant 1, S-12 to Administrative Assistant 11, S-15, Step "C", effective 10/7/65 (Mayor's letter of 10/21/65)

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

- (6) Increase in reimbursement 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, (To be in amount of \$54.79 per day, based on a 7 day week) - Deferred by 8th Board for action by the 9th Board.

MR. HEMINGWAY said the above matter is being held in Committee for one more month.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH reported that his Committee met at 7:30 P.M. on December 6, 1965 in the Board meeting room, with all members of the Committee present.

- (1) Proposed Ordinance (for publication) CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. McMILLAN, covering property located off Davenport Ridge Road (to correct ambiguity in original easement given to the City by the subdivider (Mayor's letter of 10/28/65)

MR. RICH said because of lack of time the above matter was being kept in Committee.

- (2) Resolution No. 476, requesting formation of special bi-partisan Committee to take four steps in investigating Stamford's water shortage and to report back within 60 days as to their recommendations and findings (Presented by Representatives Benjamin Nathanson and William Selsberg, 11th District)

MR. RICH read the resolution as first presented by the above Representatives and said it has been approved unanimously by the Committee. He MOVED for approval of the resolution. Seconded by Mr. Bromley.

MR. CONNORS read a letter (dated April 16, 1965) from Paul Kuczo, which was presented at a Steering Committee meeting of the 8th Board held April 19, 1965, of the WATER SHORTAGE on which action was taken at that time by order of the Steering Committee. A letter (dated April 21, 1965) was ordered written to the President of the Water Company, and a answer (dated April 23, 1965) addressed to the Steering Committee was received, with a copy sent to Mr. Kuczo at that time.

There was considerable debate on the resolution.

MR. DURSO questioned the need for the resolution and the appointment of a special committee to study the water shortage and said he could not see where anything could be accomplished.

MR. NATHANSON spoke in favor of the resolution and urged its adoption.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to remind the members that this matter was brought before the Board last April by Mr. Kuczo and no one considered it vital at that time.

MR. NATHANSON spoke on the motion to approve the resolution creating a Water Conservation Committee and stressed the dire necessity at this time to come up with a solution to the water shortage before it becomes more acute than it now is. He pointed out that some of Stamford's neighboring towns ~~does~~ not have as acute a water shortage problem as we do, and yet a few short years ago Greenwich, for instance, was purchasing water from the Stamford Water Company at the rate of five million gallons a day and they are now selling water to the Stamford Water Company at the rate of two million gallons a day through the very same pipeline. He said the only one of our immediate neighbors suffering from a water shortage is Darien and they purchase water from Stamford.

He said a first step was taken by the 8th Board of Representatives when they found it necessary to pass an emergency water ordinance to cope with the present crisis. He said an officer of the Water Company has tried to "sell" us on the idea that by the construction of a new reservoir and by the enlargement of the old Trinity Reservoir we will have sufficient water supply, which is an increase of 35%, or about a 91 day supply. He said this will be far from adequate for the needs of Stamford, based upon public statements made in the press and over the radio by the Water Company officials. He said on May 15th, this year, the President of the Water Company said the capacity was approximately a 260 days supply, which amounts to a mere 91 days supply. He said these improvements, according to a Water Company official, were initiated in 1951 - 14 years ago and the people of Stamford deserve a more up-to-date solution to their problem than that. He said since they have known about this problem for some 14 years, a long term solution should have been worked out. Now, he said, the City finds itself with a less than a 30 days supply of water on hand, and not it is evident that a campaign must be waged on a multitude of fronts.

Mr. Mathanson said the Senate sub-committee on water resources declared in 1961 that water shortages can be alleviated and that a lack of water need not limit our economic destiny and they stressed that positive action must be instituted instead of complacency and that the first and most important step toward getting the job done is the development of increased public awareness and understanding of the nation's water resources problem.

He said the time is now for everyone to join hands and pull together to insure an adequate water supply for the demands of this growing city, so that future generations cannot look back and say that we slept when we should have acted. He pointed out an article in the Stamford Advocate, today's date, which says the city is now down to 8.6 of capacity, which roughly amounts to something like a 23 days supply of water.

MR. SELSBERG spoke to the members in regard to legislation enacted by the previous Board in adopting the "Water Conservation Ordinance" (Ordinance No. 120). He said there was no legislation in regard to industrial use of water and it has only been because the Mayor has been able to get cooperation from industry that we have this. He spoke at some length stressing the need for the establishment of a special committee to delve into the water shortage problem more deeply and try to come up with the answers needed.

MR. DURSO said he knows the Stamford Water Company was not mentioned specifically in the proposed resolution, but from what he gathered from the statement that Mr. Mathanson read, it would seem that they are trying to blame the Water Company for the water shortage. He said he would like to correct that misinterpretation of the facts.

MR. CONNORS said he would like to reiterate what he said before - that way back last April Mr. Kuczo introduced the problem of Stamford's water shortage and at that time no one seemed at all concerned about the problem. He said he would like to know where all these people were when it first came up and why they did not recognize the problem before it became so acute.

MR. RICH said he could see nothing to be gained by any further debate and MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED with one no vote. (to cease debate)

THE PRESIDENT said the question is now on the resolution itself.

MR. BITETTO requested a roll call vote. (requires 1/5th of those present) As there were not sufficient members in favor of a roll call vote, it was not taken.

The following resolution was APPROVED with one negative vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 476

CREATING A SPECIAL BI-PARTISAN "WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE"

WHEREAS, there now exists in the City of Stamford a water emergency, due to shortage of supply; and

WHEREAS, water emergencies have occurred in the recent past; now therefor

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford appoint a four-member Special Committee, consisting of two Republicans and two Democrats, for the purpose of investigating said water shortage; and

BE AND IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED, that such special Committee shall report back to the Board of Representatives at their February 7, 1966 meeting with the following information:

1. What caused the present shortage,
2. What measures are being taken to cope with the present emergency,
3. What measures are being taken to avert future water shortages leading to emergency situations, and
4. Recommendations for legislation that may aid in assuring an adequate supply of water for the City.

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL BI-PARTISAN WATER CONSERVATION COMMITTEE:

THE PRESIDENT announced the appointment of the above Committee, as directed in Resolution No. 476 just adopted. The Committee was appointed as follows:

Thomas A. Morris (R), Chairman
Benjamin R. Nathanson (R)
Howard C. Kaplan (D)
Paul J. Kuczo, Jr. (D)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

MR. BITETTO, Chairman, reported that his Committee did not meet this month.

Petition from residents requesting Storm Drains on FOWLER STREET (Presented by Mr. Bitetto as member of the former 8th Board, to Mayor Mayers on October 21, 1965)

Mr. Bitetto said the one item that appears on the agenda under his Committee was referred to the Commissioner of Public Works, George Ferrara. He said, by appointment, he met at the site in question (Fowler Street) with Commissioner Ferrara, Deputy Commissioner Canavan and City Engineer Max Wolfson. After checking the matter, the City Engineer suggested that the drainage problem could best be handled by running test boring of the area to ascertain the type of drain needed. He said if the tests prove favorable they could then install whatever is needed to alleviate the problem. He said the Commissioner will communicate with the Committee and keep them informed and the work will be completed as soon as possible by the Department of Public Works.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

Re: Acceptance of roads as City streets

MR. MORRIS, Chairman, said the Committee agreed to present the following roads for acceptance as City streets. He said they have all been inspected and certified for approval by the City Engineer and that all maps referred to are on file in the office of the City and Town Clerk. HE MOVED for approval of the following roads for acceptance as City streets. Seconded and CARRIED:

- AKBAR ROAD - Extending from MacGregor Drive southerly in a circle, westerly and northerly to MacGregor Drive. Length, approximately 2,200 ft. Map No. 7470.
- AMHERST PLACE - Extending from Wood Ridge Drive South, northerly to the already accepted portion. Length, approximately 180 ft. Map No. 7988.
- DZAMBA GROVE - Extending from Somerset Lane easterly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 340 ft. Map No. 7892.
- HAMPTON LANE - Extending from Somerset Lane westerly and southerly to and including temporary turnaround. Length, approximately 480 ft. Map No. 7892.
- JORDAN LANE - Extending from Chestnut Hill Road southerly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 1,400 ft. Map No. 7922.
- LUMANOR DRIVE - Extending from New England Drive easterly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 550 ft. Map No. 7835.
- NEW ENGLAND DRIVE - Extending from Quarry Road northerly to and including a temporary turnaround. Length, approximately 1,180 ft. Maps Nos. 7835 and 7585.
- QUARRY ROAD - Extending from the already accepted portion easterly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 400 ft. Map No. 7585.
- SLICE DRIVE - Extending from the already accepted portion easterly to and including a temporary turnaround. Length, approximately 1,290 ft. Map No. 8084.
- SOMERSET LANE - Extending from the already accepted portion southerly to and including a temporary turnaround. Length, approximately 544 ft. Map No. 7892.
- WOOD RIDGE DRIVE SOUTH - Extending from the already accepted portion northerly and westerly to and including a temporary turnaround. Length, approximately 1,155 ft. Maps Nos. 7860 and 7988.
- WESGATE DRIVE - Extending from West Hill Road westerly to and including a permanent turnaround. Length, approximately 600 ft. Map No. 7955.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. LINDSTROM, Chairman, said a short meeting was held on December 6, 1965 at 6:45 P.M. in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms with all members present.

- (1) Request for approval of MARINA FEES AND I. D. CARD fee of \$504 for 1966 12-7 Season (Letter dated 10/18/65 from E. A. Connell, Supt. Dept. of Parks and Trees) (Held in Committee from previous Board - no action taken)

The above matter was held in Committee.

- (2) Concerning action to be taken under Sec. 204.1a of Charter on ORDINANCE NO. 12- SUPPLEMENTAL "CONCERNING PARKS, BEACHES AND RECREATIONAL AREAS" (Approved by 8th Board of Representatives at their regular monthly meeting held 11/9/65 by a roll call vote of 23 yes, 9 no and 3 abstentions, there being 35 members present at said meeting - Later vetoed by Mayor on 11/19/65)

MR. LINDSTROM said on the above matter, it was the feeling of his Committee that with the large number of new members on the Board, it would be unwise to make any hasty decision regarding overriding the Mayor's veto, so it also was being held in Committee for another month, which can be done under the provisions of the Charter.

MR. RICH read a portion of the Charter concerning the above matter, in which it states that the Board may at this meeting (meaning tonight) or any meeting held within forty days thereafter, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, pass the Mayor's veto. He said this means that the Board can consider this matter any time up to ten days after the next Board meeting.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE:

MR. MURPHY, Chairman, said a meeting of his Committee was held this evening at 7:30 P.M. with all members present except Mr. Kuczo, who was out of town. He said all items referred to his Committee had been previously reported on under the report of the Fiscal Committee.

RESOLUTIONS:

MR. THOMAS MORRIS said he had a suggested resolution which he would like to read at this time. The proposed resolution follows:

SUGGESTED WORDING OF RESOLUTION FOR ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES CALLING ON THE ZONING BOARD AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TO AMEND THEIR RULES AND REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE MORE EFFECTIVE NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS LOCATED IN AN AREA PROPOSED FOR CHANGE IN ZONING, OR GRANTING OF EXCEPTIONS OR VARIANCES

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives is of the opinion that more effective notice should be given to owners of property located in an area proposed for change in Zoning, or for exceptions or variances to the zoning regulations or zoning and to the owners of property immediately abutting an area proposed for such changes, prior to the public hearing to be held on any such proposed changes, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives, after due deliberation on the subject, has considered that a set of rules similar to those adopted by the Planning Board on June 7, 1965, would achieve this objective,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, that the Zoning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals be urged strongly to adopt rules and amendments to their regulations

which would afford property owners the same sort of protection provided by the Planning Board's amended regulations concerning notification, and

BE AND IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that these rules would provide that no change in zoning be granted or no exceptions or variances be granted unless the applicant submits to the Zoning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals six (6) copies of a map showing the area proposed to be changed, and a list containing the names and addresses of all owners of properties as shown in the last Real Estate lists of the City of Stamford, in the Assessor's Office (or the actual owners of record, if known to the applicant) within the area proposed for change, including the names and addresses of all owners of property within 100 feet of the boundary of the area proposed to be changed, except that in the case of properties immediately adjacent to areas proposed for change * located in the R-20,* or RA-2, Single Family Residence zones the distance from the boundary of any such property proposed for change or from any opposite street frontage, for the purpose of determining names of property owners to be included in said list, shall be 200 feet; said list (in a form to be provided by the Zoning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals), together with evidence in the form of return postal cards signed by the owner or authorized agent or affidavit of mailing indicating that a Certified Mail notification of the pending application has been sent to all such owners of property described above, not less than 10 days, nor more than 15 days prior to the date of a scheduled public hearing thereon.

*Correction: RA-1,

The above proposed resolution was REFERRED TO THE STEERING COMMITTEE for proper referral to Committee at their next meeting, to be held Monday, December 20, 1965.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

Re: Traffic Hazard at STRAWBERRY HILL AVENUE at COLONIAL ROAD during rush hours
(Letter dated 12/6/65 from Thomas A. Morris, 15th District Representative)

MR. BITETTO said he was in receipt of the above communication. REFERRED TO STEERING COMMITTEE for proper referral to Committee.

Re: Letter (dated 11/29/65) from Rev. Sargent of Union Baptist Church, requesting installation of a street light on the corner of ADAMS AVENUE and VISTA STREET

MR. FUSARO presented the above letter. REFERRED TO STEERING COMMITTEE for proper referral to Committee.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

APPROVED:

George E. Russell
George E. Russell, President
9th Board of Representatives

Velma Farrell
Velma Farrell, Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)