

MEETING OF THE 9TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of March 6, 1967
Stamford, Connecticut

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A regular monthly meeting of the 9th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, March 6, 1967, in the Board's meeting room, Municipal Office Building, (2nd floor) 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, George E. Russell, at 8:35 P.M.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver, Temple Sinai.

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

PAGE FOR TRANSMITTING MESSAGES:

THE PRESIDENT announced that Stamford High School has sent PETER HOWELL to act as a Page, and introduced him to the members at this time.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 35 present and 5 absent at the calling of the roll. However, Mr. Murphy arrived later in the evening, changing the roll call to 36 present and 4 absent. The absent members were:

Robert M. Durso (D) 5th District
William G. Hearing (R) 7th District
Alan F. Grant (R) 12th District
H. Alton LeBeau (R) 13th District

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of February 6, 1967

For the reason that several of the members did not receive these minutes until today (mailed first class mail March 2, 1967) acceptance was deferred.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The report of the Steering Committee was presented and entered in the Minutes as follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT
Meeting held Monday, February 20, 1967

A meeting of the Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives was held on Monday, February 20, 1967, in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, George Russell, at 6:00 P.M. All members were present, with the exception of the following: Hilda Clarke, Booth Hemingway, John Rich, William Murphy, Howard Kaplan and Robert Durso. Some of the members were unable to be present because of the early hour the meeting was called.

The Chairman explained that he had called the meeting for six o'clock as there was some conflict with the "Roaster's dinner meeting" being held the same evening.

- (1) Mayor's letter (dated 2/20/67) submitting two appointments and re-submitting a nomination previously submitted

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

Also, appointments not acted upon at the February 6th Board meeting were ORDERED PLACED ON THE AGENDA, UNDER APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE.

- (2) Additional appropriations (8) approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting held February 9, 1967 were ORDERED PLACED ON THE AGENDA under the FISCAL COMMITTEE

Items in excess of \$2,000, except pensions, were referred to a secondary Committee, in accordance with Rule #10 on page 5 of Rules of Order.

- (3) Matters TABLED at the February 6, 1967 Board meeting were NOT ORDERED on the agenda. The Chairman explained that they would have to be brought up under "Old Business" at the March Board meeting if such is desired. These were as follows:

- (a) \$500,000.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Resolution amending 1966-1967 Capital Projects Budget. for CONSTRUCTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE FACILITIES - (Present building needed for Urban Renewal) (Mayor's letter of 8/5/66) DEFERRED 9/6/66; 10/3/66; TABLED 11/9/66 with 2 "No" votes; held in Committee 12/5/66 and TABLED INDEFINITELY on 1/9/67; no action taken 2/6/67; matter to be discussed at a Special Board meeting to be held 2/23/67 to meet as a "COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE", as requested by the Board of Education.

- (b) \$36,000.00 - COMMITTEE ON TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT, Special Account #108,2408 (Because of cut-back from Regional Office of O.E.O. and need to continue program through 6/30/67) (Requested in Mayor's letter - undated) TABLED 2/6/67

- (4) PROPOSED ORDINANCE (under terms of Public Act #460, 1965 session of Legislature TO CREATE A STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY - (Requested in letter of 11/6/66 from Frank J. Daly, Chairman of Board of Directors, Hubbard Heights Golf Club Committee to secure a Second Golf Course) (Held in Committee 12/5/66) and 1/9/67; approved for publication on 2/6/67; published 2/16/67)

ALSO REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA UNDER LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (5) Letter (dated 2/15/67) from City and Town Clerk, requesting approval of VOTER MAKING SESSIONS for 1967, to be held the third Tuesday of each month

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (6) Mayor's letter (dated 2/17/67) concerning PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING AND PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF SECOND AMENDATORY CONTRACT FOR COMMUNITY RENEWAL, PROGRAM GRANT NO. R-64 (CR) BETWEEN CITY OF STAMFORD AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PERTAINING TO PREPARATION OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL PROGRAM NO. R-64 (CR) - (One year extension, approved by Board of Representatives on 8/1/66 by Resolution No. 497)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (7) Letter (dated 2/13/67) from Paul Kuczo and George Connors, 8th District Representatives, asking 7 questions REGARDING SNOW REMOVAL DURING RECENT SNOWSTORM

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (8) Letter (dated 2/2/67) from Leo Gold, attorney, regarding acceptance of ROCKRIMMON LANE as a City street

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (9) Letter (dated 2/10/67) from Charles Heinzer, 13th District Representative, requesting initiation, under Chapter 64 of Charter, for improvements to a portion of BARNCROFT ROAD - (No description of length, width, etc. of road is given) - Petition not signed by all property owners - signed by 8 out of 12)

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (10) Letter (dated 1/24/67) from Walter E. Berres, President of SASCA (Stamford Senior Citizens Alliance, Inc.) REFERRING TO SAFETY OF CITY STREETS FOR THE ELDERLY, requesting a hearing at "the earliest possible date"

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (11) Letter from Frederick W. Cunningham, President of the HUBBARD HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION, INC. (dated 1/30/67) protesting against further decimation of the JOHN A. SCALZI, JUNIOR Memorial Park in order to extend WASHINGTON AVENUE to Bridge Street

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (12) Letter (dated 2/1/67) from Paul Kuczo, 8th District Representative, concerning CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OPINION on the recent appeal to the Board of Representatives on the ZEZIMA PROPERTY, corner of Courtland Avenue and Maple Tree Avenue

Noted and filed

- (13) Copy of letter to Mr. Edward A. Connell, Supt. of Parks, from Corporation Counsel (dated Sept. 21, 1966) CONCERNING PROPOSED USE BY THE PARK COMMISSION OF VARIOUS CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES, and designating the Board of Representatives as the proper agency to transfer jurisdiction of parcels of land in question to the Park Commission for PARK PURPOSES - Noted and filed, with copy to the Parks & Recreation and Legislative & Rules Committees.

- (14) Copy of letter to Urban Redevelopment Commission from Augusta Goings, Business Manager of CLUB SIX C's, at 669 Main Street, inquiring about assistance in locating a new building, proposed to occupy an acre or more of land, costing approximately \$50,000 or \$60,000 to be located in the urban renewal area, if possible

Noted and filed, with copy sent to Urban Redevelopment Committee

There being no further business to come before the Committee, upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

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George E. Russell, Chairman
Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting of his Committee was held in the Municipal Office Building on Tuesday, February 27, 1967. Present were: Mr. Bitetto, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Caporizzo, Ted Boccuzzi, Chairman Nathanson, also John Fusaro, the Minority Leader and Thomas Morris, the Majority Leader.

He said the following Mayor's appointments were considered. He said he would like to make it clear in regard to the appointment of Mr. Lowenthal, which appears on the agenda as being deferred, that the appointment failed because there was no motion. He said Mr. Lowenthal's name was re-submitted by the Mayor and re-considered by the Committee and four of the Committee were in favor of the appointment and one was opposed.

The Tellers distributed the ballots to the Board members. The vote on each appointment is recorded below:

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:Term Ending:

- (1) MORT LOWENTHAL (R) (Deferred 1/9/67 and no
Windward Lane motion made on 2/6/67)
(Replacing Joseph Whitaker)

Dec. 1, 1969
(3 yr. term)

VOTE: Denied by
19 no
16 yes

PLANNING BOARD:

- (2) MRS. EVE PAUL (D) (Deferred 2/6/67)
395 James Lane
(Replacing David F. Babson, Jr.)

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: Denied by
20 no
15 yes

SEWER COMMISSION:

- (3) MORTON A. BELL (D) (NO REPORT ON THIS BY COMMITTEE)
97 Big Oak Road
(Replacing Edward V. Carey)

Dec. 1, 1970
(5 yr. term)

ZONING BOARD ALTERNATE: (Terms are staggered)

- (4) STUART E. KONSPORE (R) (Deferred 1/9/67 and again
194 Russet Road on 2/6/67)
(Replacing Thomas Donnelly)

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 23 yes
12 no

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

- (5) JAMES F. SIMON (R) (Deferred 2/6/67)
197 Russet Road
(Replacing Michael F. Dagostino)

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 24 yes
11 no

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:Term Ending:

- (6) MICHAEL F. DAGOSTINO (D)
 375 Den Road
 (Replacing Frank D'Andrea, Jr., who
 resigned - filling out unexpired term)

Dec. 1, 1967

VOTE: Denied by
 21 no
 14 yes

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ALTERNATE: (Terms are staggered)

- (7) LEONARD VIGNOLA (R) (Deferred on 2/6/67 because
 214 Gary Road of no motion being presented)
 (Replacing John E. Walsh, Jr.)

Dec. 1, 1970

No motion was presented on the above appointment.

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

- (8) JAMES E. CAREY, JR. (D) (Deferred 2/6/67)
 16 Cowing Place, Glenbrook
 (Reappointment)

August 7, 1971
 (5 yr. term)

VOTE: Denied by
 20 no
 15 yes

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MR. HEMINGWAY, Chairman, said the Fiscal Committee met on Thursday, March 2nd and approved all items on the agenda.

- (1) \$695.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES for the following: (Mayor's letter of
 2/1/67) (REDUCED by Board of Finance on 2/9/67 from \$795.00
 requested)

Code 106.0301 - Stationery, Postage, Supplies, Xerox	-----	\$300.00
Code 106.0403 - Printing	-----	100.00
Code 106.0701 - Custodial Services	-----	70.00
Code 106.0803 - Special Committee Expenses	-----	150.00*
Code 106.0104 - Overtime	-----	75.00
		<u>\$695.00</u>

*Reduced from \$250.00

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

- (2) \$1,621.00- MAYOR'S OFFICE, Code 108.2101, Conventions, Dues and Conferences
 (Mayor's letter of 1/17/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Farman.

MR. KUCZO asked what the above appropriation entails. Mr. Hemingway replied this relates to the newly formed Connecticut Conference of Mayors and this represented Stamford's share in an approximate budget of some \$30,000 spread over all the towns and cities that represent the membership.

MR. NATHANSON spoke in favor of the appropriation, as it enables the Mayor to go and learn of new things that are coming along; problems that also face other towns, etc. He said he does not feel a city in these days and time can stay to itself.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he would just like to point out that when the Mayor attends these conferences, that the Acting Mayor - the President of the Board of Representatives - steps in and takes over in his absence, for which he is reimbursed.

THE PRESIDENT said this is true - that the City is never without a Mayor.

VOTE taken on item #2 above. CARRIED, with one "no" vote. (Mr. Kuczo)

(3) \$11,078.28 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, Code 102,5104, General Election
(Mayor's letter of 1/12/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above appropriation. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and CARRIED. Also approved by the Education, Welfare & Government Committee.

(4) \$8,564.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT, covering the following: (Mayor's letter of 2/1/67) (REDUCED by Board of Finance on 2/9/67 from requested \$9,126.74)

Code 530.1204 - Traffic Supplies -----	\$4,000.00*
Code 530.2205 - Harbor Patrol Boats -----	3,400.00
Code 530.0802 - Car Transportation -----	1,164.00
	<u>\$8,564.00</u>

*Reduced from \$4,562.74

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request.

MR. KAPLAN, Chairman of the Health & Protection Committee, to whom this had also been referred, said they concurred in the recommendation.

MR. CHIRIMBES spoke in favor of the appropriation.

MR. NATHANSON also said he is in favor of the appropriation.

MR. LINDSTROM also spoke in favor of the motion.

There being no further debate, a VOTE was taken on item #4 and CARRIED.

(5) \$225.00 - PLANNING BOARD, Code 134,0104, Overtime (Mayor's letter of 2/1/67)

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

(6) \$2,078.22 - BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS - DATA PROCESSING SECTION, covering the following: (Mayor's letter of 2/3/67)

Code 117.0101 - Salaries, to cover upgrading of 7 employees, listed in attachment to Mayor's letter, and approved by Personnel Commission on 1/23/67-----	\$1,078.22
Code 117.0301 - Stationery & Postage -----	1,000.00
	<u>\$2,078.22</u>

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Kelly and Mrs. Lilliendahl. CARRIED. Also approved by Personnel Committee.

- (7) \$6,555.86 - CORPORATION COUNSEL, Code 110.0901, Professional Services
(Mayor's letter of 2/3/67) (Because of Collective Bargaining
with various Unions and Associations of City employees)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Bennett and Mr. Karl.

Also approved by the Education, Welfare & Government Committee.

There being no debate, a VOTE was taken on the above item and CARRIED.

- (8) \$2,060.00- ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, covering the following: (Mayor's letter of 2/8/67)
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| Code 140.0401 - Advertising and Printing ----- | \$2,000.00 |
| Code 140.0701 - Janitor's Services----- | 60.00 |
| | <u>\$2,060.00</u> |

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above. Seconded by Mr. Caporizzo.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also concurred in approval. CARRIED.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting was held on Wednesday, March 1st, at 8 P.M. in the Board meeting room, with the following members present: Messrs. Kaplan, Farman and Rich. He said the first part of the meeting was an open hearing at which time the Committee heard members of the public express their views on the proposed Ordinance to establish a Golf Authority. Following this, the Committee met in executive session and discussed the Community Renewal request with Mr. Broun.

- (1) PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CREATE A STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY (under terms of Public Act #460, 1965 session of Legislature) - (Requested in letter of 11/6/66 to Board from Frank J. Daley, Chairman of Board of Directors, Hubbard Heights Golf Club Committee to secure a Second Golf Course) - (Held in Committee 12/5/66 and 1/9/67; approved for publication 2/6/67; published 2/16/67)

MR. RICH said, following the open hearing, the Committee discussed the above matter in great detail and certain suggestions made by members of the public have been incorporated in amendments to the Ordinance as it was first published on February 16, 1967. He presented the amendments and asked that the proposed Ordinance be re-published, containing the amendments. He said it cannot be acted upon tonight anyway, because the nominations for the members of the Authority must be incorporated into the Ordinance when it is finally adopted. The proposed amendments follow:

Section 4. The first members of the Authority and their addresses and terms of office are as follows:

(Names of first members of Authority)

Section 5. Purposes

The Stamford Golf Authority is created for the purposes stated in Section 1 (d) of Public Act No. 460 of the 1965 Connecticut General Assembly as they relate specifically to public golf courses. However, nothing herein shall preclude the Authority from providing for other forms of public recreation listed in Section 1 (d) on any land which may be acquired for the primary purpose of golf. The Authority shall work in cooperation with the Board of Recreation in any such establishment and operation of other forms of public recreation facilities.

Section 6. The powers of the Authority shall be exercised by a Commission consisting of nine (9) members who shall be appointed by the Board of Representatives upon nomination by the Mayor of the City of Stamford. Except for the original appointments, the Board of Representatives shall appoint three (3) members each year, on January 1st, to serve for a term of three (3) years or until his successor is appointed and qualified. The original appointment shall consist of three (3) Commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1968, three (3) Commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1969 and three (3) Commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1970. The Board of Representatives shall have the power to remove a member of the Authority for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office, after investigation pursuant to Section 204.2 of the Stamford Charter.

Section 9. The Commission shall file a written report of its doings, its income and expenditures annually on or about July 15th of each year, with the Mayor, Board of Finance and Board of Representatives. Its records shall be open for public inspection at reasonable hours. The Board of Representatives shall have the power to investigate the Authority's activities in accordance with Section 204.2 of the Stamford Charter.

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the above amended sections of the proposed Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Farman, and Mr. Lindstrom, and CARRIED.

MR. LINDSTROM asked a question in regard to the amendments contained in Section 5, where it begins with the words: "The Authority shall work in cooperation with the Board of Recreation....."

MR. LINDSTROM said he would like to see the words "and or parks..." inserted after the words: "...the Board of Recreation....." so that it would then read as follows:

"The Authority shall work in cooperation with the Board of Recreation and or parks, in any such establishment and operation of other forms of public recreation facilities."

MR. LINDSTROM said this is because of the conflict and over-ride between the parks and the Board of Recreation in many activities.

MR. RICH said the Legislative & Rules Committee will take this into consideration before the Ordinance is given final approval, and put it into the proper language.

MR. RICH MOVED for approval for re-publication of the Ordinance as now amended. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (2) VOTER MAKING SESSIONS FOR 1967 - (Requested in letter of 2/15/67 from City and Town Clerk, to be held the third Tuesday of each month)

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the following voter making sessions as requested in the above letter. Seconded by Mr. Mosca and CARRIED:

RIVERBANK SCHOOL	May 3, 1967	5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
STEVENS SCHOOL	June 7, 1967	5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
NORTHEAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	July 5, 1967	5 P.M. to 8 P.M.
RICE SCHOOL	August 2, 1967	5 P.M. to 8 P.M.

- (3) PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 516 APPROVING AND PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF SECOND AMENDATORY CONTRACT FOR COMMUNITY RENEWAL, Program Grant No. R-64 (CR) between City of Stamford and United States of America, pertaining to preparation of COMMUNITY RENEWAL PROGRAM NO. R-64 (CR) - (One year extension, approved by Board of Representatives on 8/1/66 by Resolution No. 497)

MR. RICH said it should be noted that the Board approved the request for this contract on August 1, 1966 and what we are now doing is approving what the Federal government has said they agree with. He said we agreed to allowing the Community Renewal program to go ahead and apply for this contract - the contract has now come back, and we have to now approve the contract.

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Farnen:

RESOLUTION NO. 516

APPROVING AND PROVIDING FOR EXECUTION OF PROPOSED SECOND AMENDATORY CONTRACT FOR COMMUNITY RENEWAL PROGRAM GRANT NO. R-64 (CR) BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA PERTAINING TO THE PREPARATION OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL PROGRAM NO. R-64 (CR)

WHEREAS, under Title 1 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, the United States of America (herein called the "Government") has tendered to the City of Stamford (Herein called the "Public Body") a proposed Second Amendatory Contract for Community Renewal Program Grant, hereinafter mentioned, pursuant to which the Government would extend a Grant of Federal funds to the Public Body to aid in financing the cost of the preparation of a Community Renewal Program, designated Community Renewal Program No. R-64 (CR) (herein called the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, this Public Body has given due consideration to said proposed Second Amendatory Contract and has found it to be in the interest of this Locality to execute such Contract; and

WHEREAS, this Public Body is duly authorized, under and pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the City of Stamford and State of Connecticut to undertake and carry out the preparation of the Program;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, as follows:

Section 1. The pending proposed Second Amendatory Contract, designated "Second Amendatory Contract Amending Contract for Community Renewal Program Grant, No. Conn. R-64 (CR)", under and subject to the provisions, terms and conditions of which the Government would make a Grant of Federal funds under Title 1 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, to this Public Body to aid in financing the cost of the preparation of the Program for the Locality of Stamford, is hereby approved in all respects.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City of Stamford in its behalf is hereby authorized to execute said proposed Contract in two counterparts, and the Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to impress and attest the official seal of this Public Body on each counterpart and to forward such counterparts to the Housing and Home Finance Agency, together with two certified copies of the proceedings in connection with the adoption of this Resolution, two certified copies of this Resolution, and such other and further documents relative to the approval and execution of the Contract as may be required by the Government.

Section 3. The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to file requisitions, together with necessary supporting documents, with the Government, from time to time as Grant funds are required, requesting payments to be made to it on account of the Grant provided for in the Contract, and to do and perform all other things and acts required to be done or performed in order to obtain such Grants and payments, and to effectuate the purposes of the Grant.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

MR. BROMLEY said he would like to put into the record that he asked a couple of questions on this proposed resolution, one being that this does not bind us to appropriating further money, or any money, for this contract.

MR. RICH said this is correct.

MR. BROMLEY said the second question he would like put into the record is that whatever plan comes out, we are not bound in any way to the implementation of this plan by voting tonight.

MR. RICH said this also is correct. He said he would also like to add that if we do not do something about this mass of data which is presented in their report, a great deal of work will have been wasted. However, we are not obligated to do anything.

MR. KUCZO said he want to ask one question - of what real value is this community renewal program to the City of Stamford?

MR. RICH said it is primarily a research project - collecting statistics, and a great deal of useful information, primarily in the Planning Board area, being statistics as to the present size of the City, the make-up of it, what it might be in the future, which data is very important to the Planning Board, particularly in their revision of the Master Plan. He said the Urban Renewal Commission is also using the information in regard to possible population shift, the economic status of the City, etc. He said if you look at their report, you will note that it covers a wide range of subjects, all the way from community relations to economic analysis.

He said some of the members will be familiar with the study which the Community Council and the United Fund are undertaking in connection with social services in the City, which is one of the reports which is part of the C.R.P. findings.

MR. KUCZO said he and other Representatives recently had the opportunity to visit the C.R.P. office and speak with them about various problems, which was last spring and they were supposed to contact them by the end of the summer. As to this date, he said, he has never heard from them. He said he questions the value of their findings and thinks they are just "hanging around".

MR. BENNETT said he would urge passage of the resolution because the information they have will prove to be invaluable to any future housing administrator that might be appointed, or to those who are responsible for housing in the City.

MR. CHIRIMBES said his Committee (Planning & Zoning) was given to understand that this program is going to end in October. He said he asked a question regarding the work this department has been doing and was told it will be referred to our own Planning Department in October 1967. He said he would suggest that we do not have two Planning Departments in October and at that time this particular Project should come to a termination and not be renewed and the information turned over to our Planning Department for their use and for the use of other City departments who may be able to make use of the information compiled.

MR. BITETTO said when this came before the Board in August 1966, it was handled by the Planning & Zoning Committee and now is being handled by the Legislative & Rules Committee.

THE PRESIDENT said it is also referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee to comment on it and he was about to ask Mr. Mosca to report from his committee.

MR. MOSCA reported that his Committee goes along with the report of the Legislative & Rules Committee.

VOTE taken on the motion to approve Resolution No. 516. CARRIED, with one "no" vote (Mr. Kuczo).

(4) Request for WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE - Issued through the Pimpinella Construction Co., Inc. in connection with Bethel A. M. E. Church, under provisions of Ordinance No. 80.7 Supplemental (Their letter of 2/23/67)

MR. RICH MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring the above request before the Board, it having been received too late to be placed on the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Fusaro, Mr. Karl and others and CARRIED.

MR. RICH MOVED for a waiver of the Building Permit fee under provisions of Ordinance No. 80.7 Supplemental. Seconded by Mr. Morris, Mr. Fusaro, Mr. Lockhart and others and CARRIED.

(5) RESOLUTION NO 517 - CONCERNING NEW AND ADDITIONAL PARKING FACILITIES TO BE ESTABLISHED ON CRESCENT STREET AND GLENBROOK ROAD FOR USE OF COMMUTERS USING NEW HAVEN RAILROAD

MR. RICH MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring the above matter on the floor for discussion and action. He explained that this, if approved, will enable the Parking Authority to provide parking facilities for those using the Glenbrook Station for commuting. Seconded by Mr. Farnen.

MR. FUSARO said he has a question - how much money are we talking about?

MR. RICH said he would like to answer this, but until the rules have been suspended, does not think it can be discussed, as it is not debatable.

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct - there can be no debate at this time.

MR. CONNORS said he has a letter that he wants in the record - that it pertains to suspension of the rules, and that it is from the Glenbrook merchants in the area of the Glenbrook Station.

THE PRESIDENT told Mr. Connors that the letter would be appropriate after the rules have been suspended.

MR. CONNORS said it relates partly to the resolution and partly to suspension of the rules.

MR. CONNORS read a letter from the Glenbrook merchants at this time urging approval of the resolution.

MR. FUSARO asked what vote is necessary to carry suspension of the rules.

THE PRESIDENT informed him there were 35 present and a two-thirds vote would be 24.

VOTE taken on suspension of the rules. CARRIED with three "no" votes.

MR. RICH presented the following resolution and MOVED for its adoption. Seconded by Mr. Karl:

RESOLUTION NO. 517

CONCERNING NEW AND ADDITIONAL PARKING FACILITIES TO BE ESTABLISHED ON CRESCENT STREET AND GLENBROOK ROAD IN GLENBROOK FOR USE OF COMMUTERS USING NEW HAVEN RAILROAD (Under jurisdiction of Parking Authority)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD does hereby approve the application of the Parking Authority of the City of Stamford for new and additional parking facilities to be established on Crescent Street and Glenbrook Road.

Said facilities are more particularly known as land of David Small, 10 Crescent Street; Anthony L. Kara, 16 Crescent Street; and Anthony and Frank Kolich, 543 Glenbrook Road.

Approval of the foregoing has previously been duly made by the Planning Board, all in accordance with the provisions of Section 584 of the Charter.

MR. KAPLAN said it strikes him as being a very serious matter when you take a person's property and is something that should not be done lightly. He said he feels this is something that should be heard and discussed by the several Committees of this Board before there is actually a vote taken and what is more important, and in order to protect people's property rights, they should have the right to appear before the Board's committees and voice their opinions. He said he knows that his Committee (Health & Protection) has not had an opportunity to consider this and as a member of the Legislative & Rules Committee, it has also not been brought before that Committee either. He said he believes this contemplated action tonight is precipitous and unless the matter is one of life and death, this type of action is uncalled for when none of the Board members has had an opportunity to look into the matter and know anything about the proposal and then come into a Board of Representatives meeting without any prior notice and vote to condemn a person's land.

MR. FUSARO said he can only echo Mr. Kaplan's feelings. He said that when a sum of money not acceptable to a land owner is offered, that the land owner would then refuse the offer and the land would then be condemned. He said by agreeing to this, the Board would, in effect, be approving the Parking Authority's right to condemnation and in depriving a person of his property rights without benefit of a hearing before this Board. He said we are, in effect, talking about a sum of money in excess of \$100,000 and approving a resolution brought up without first having it go through regular channels and being considered by a couple of committees.

MR. BITETTO said the question in his mind is whether or not we are carrying on due process of law in that we are short changing the individual who are going to be deprived of their land. He said he thinks this Board is acting in haste and he has to agree with the previous speakers that a legislative body can give away a person's rights without having a chance to properly present his problems to the people involved.

MR. KARL said this is not new to this Board and that he has talked loud and long at two previous meetings on this very subject and he is sure the Board is very much aware of the inadvertent loss of approximately 100 parking spaces in a lot that was previously full to capacity. He said there is a desperate need for parking in the immediate vicinity of the branch line in Glenbrook, a need which has existed since last fall and it definitely is nothing new, just brought up here tonight for the first time. He said it would be foolish for the Parking Authority to pursue this matter if this Board were to take a negative stand at a later date. He urged approval of the resolution.

MR. MORRIS requested a recess at this time - 9:55 P.M. which was granted.

THE RECESS was declared over at 10:05 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT said the count now is 36 present, as Mr. Murphy has arrived.

MR. FUSARO MOVED that we commit this resolution to the Steering Committee for processing. Seconded. LOST by a vote of 15 in favor and 21 opposed.

MR. KARL MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED. (no debate)

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the resolution (Resolution No. 517¹) which was previously seconded by Mr. Karl. CARRIED with three "no" votes.

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

MR. FARMEN, Chairman said he would just present a few statistics as follows:

Property Acquisition: Acquired to date - 222 parcels (or 54% of parcels in entire Project area) valued at \$10,232,283.00

Residential Relocation: Relocated to date - 321 families, single householders and roomers. Current case load is 406.

Business Relocation: Relocated to date - 373; current caseload is 215.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING "HOUSE COMMITTEE"

Re: Voting Machine

MR. NATHANSON said he would like to know what is the status of the Voting Machine.

MR. LINDSTROM replied the Committee is working on this and will come up with an answer in the near future.

THE PRESIDENT said the machine has been here on display for the last couple of weeks, but unfortunately, it turns out that the cost will be considerably higher than the appropriation we have.

MR. NATHANSON said if we wait much longer, we will be able to buy a solid gold one.

MR. LINDSTROM said we have waited this long, so another month or two won't hurt.

PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE:

MR. BENNETT, Chairman, reported that they are awaiting a reply from the New Hope Corporation as to the success of the proposed site which has been offered to them by the Urban Renewal Commission.

COVE POND DAM SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

MR. KUCZO, Chairman, presented the following interim report:

FEBRUARY 13, 1967: Survey and collection of water samples called off for reasons of low temperature, river and pond almost all frozen over, and large accumulation of snow making it inaccessible along most of the river and pond. However, Mr. Andrew Thorpe, City Public Health Engineer, and Paul Kuczo, Jr., took a visual tour of the Noroton River and Cove Pond, stopping at various points along the way that were accessible for visual survey, but inaccessible for water sampling. The odor of sewage was detected, but no oil slick at the Cerro Plant. At the Glenbrook Road bridge on the Darien-Stamford Town line, oil slicks were found on the surface of the water. On Cove pond there was brown matter frozen under the ice for a long distance. Mr. Thorpe said it could be oil.

FEBRUARY 17, 1967: A Committee meeting was held at the Board of Representatives' Caucus Room. Present were: Representatives Kuczo, Heinzer Rybnick and Iacovo of the Committee. Also present were: Majority Leader Thomas Morris, President George Russell and Recording Secretary Sharon Marshall.

The Chairman said he had sent a letter to Dr. Costanzo, and talked with both him and Mr. Thorpe about a meeting with the Committee on February 19, 1967 to collect samples of water from various locations along the Noroton River and Cove Pond. These samples would be for a bacteria count. The Committee was also informed by Dr. Costanzo that Mr. Edward Daca of the State Water Resources Commission would take chemical analysis samples of the river and pond on February 20, 1967.

In response to a letter from the Committee, Mr. Ferrara indicated that he did not know what happened to the gates that were supposed to have been stored at the City Garage. However, he indicated that the hinges were available. The Committee requested the presence of Mr. Ferrara, Mr. Canavan, Mr. Ryan, Corporation Counsel and Mr. Davidson of the Flood and Erosion Control Board at the next Committee meeting. In addition, the Purchasing Agent was also asked to attend the meeting.

FEBRUARY 19, 1967: Mr. Thorpe, Mr. Kuczo and Mr. Rogers toured the Noroton River and Cove Pond and collected samples of water at eight selected points for bacterial analysis. We found oil slicks along all points, starting from the Cerro Plant down into the Cove Pond. The bacterial count per 100 ML. of water ranged from a high of 82,000 coliform bacilli to zero. The standard for unsatisfactory or "D" rating is 1,000. The Health Department has informed the Cerro Plant to take immediate steps to correct this condition. The Health Department will take samples at a near future date. In addition, an unknown waste material was visible in a number of areas, starting at the Cerro Plant in Springdale. A complete breakdown of where each sample was taken and the results of the analysis can be gotten from the office of the Board of Representatives, Health Department, or any member serving on the Special Cove Pond Committee.

FEBRUARY 20, 1967: Mr. Edward Daca of the State Water Resources Commission, Mr. Andrew Thorpe and Mr. Charles Heinzer, collected samples of water for chemical pollutants. Mr. Heinzer selected the various collection points. Heavy oil slicks were visible from the starting point at Cerro's Plant in Springdale. It will take two weeks for a complete analysis of the samples collected.

FEBRUARY 27, 1967: The Committee met at 8 P.M. in the Caucus rooms of the Board of Representatives. Committee members present were: Representatives Kuczo, Heinzer, Caporizzo, Rybnick and Iacovo. In addition, the following were also present: Corporation Counsel Patrick Ryan, Public Works Commissioner George Ferrara, Purchasing Agent Frank Benevelli, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works, John Canavan, City Controller James McDonald, President George Russell, Majority Leader Thomas Morris and Recording Secretary Sharon Marshall.

The Flood and Erosion Control Board Chairman, who was also requested to attend, indicated that he wished to meet with his Board before he attended our meeting and would come at a later date.

The Committee asked a number of questions of those in attendance, but has not had the opportunity to review its findings, since the meeting lasted four hours. The Committee will meet again next Friday, March 10th, to study the answers given and to interview those that were unable to attend this meeting.

A copy of the full account of the questions and answers will be presented to all Board members at the April 3, 1967 meeting of the Board of Representatives.

MARCH 2, 1967: Mr. Charles Pelletier, Chief Hydraulic Engineer of the State Water Resources Commission, met with the members at the site of the Cove Dam at 10:30 A. M. Those members of the Committee present were Representatives Kuczo, Heinzer, Rybnick, Caporizzo and Rogers. Mr. Pelletier will send a memorandum of his findings to the Committee.

Paul Kuczo, Jr., Chairman
Cove Pond Dam Special Committee

Several members objected to an interim report from the Special Committee, contending that a final and comprehensive report is supposed to be rendered by that Committee next month.

THE PRESIDENT explained that most of the members have already read the report in the newspapers, which is very unusual for a Committee to give their findings to the press and radio before reporting to the Board itself and a final report will then be given to the full Board in April which will make the third time the members have heard it.

MR. KUCZO said anyone in the City of Stamford can come to his meetings.

RESOLUTIONS:

MR. KAPLAN said he has a resolution he wishes to present to the Board.

Concerning Reopening of Veterans Service Center for City of Stamford

MR. KAPLAN said he is firmly convinced that the Veterans Service Center for the residents of this City should be reopened. He said this Board has authorized funds for many worthy purposes and for various groups. He said the Veterans have done more for Stamford than any other group, and some of these men have been wounded and their families are receiving Veterans benefits and the situation as it now exists is nearly intolerable - that someone does come down to Stamford once a week at the Post Office from 9 A.M. to 3 P.M. and the lines are long and many people have to wait all day and still not get any service. As a result of this, he said he wishes to introduce the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 518REQUESTING REOPENING OF VETERANS SERVICE CENTER

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford owes a debt of gratitude to those who served our country in the armed forces; and

WHEREAS, the closing of the Stamford Veterans Service Center has resulted in inconvenience and delay to the veterans of our community and their families; and

WHEREAS, the reopening of the Veterans Service Center would be the least that our City could do for veterans and their families;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives that the Mayor is urged to request immediate appropriation sufficient in amount to open a Veterans Service Center in the City of Stamford.

MR. KAPLAN MOVED for approval of the above resolution. Seconded by Mr. Fusaro, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Chirimbes, Mr. Casale, Mr. Mosca and many others.

MR. CHIRIMBES spoke in favor of the resolution and urged its adoption. He said many veterans are discharged, having been injured and thereafter receive severance pay for their disability, which is doled out by the Veterans Administration at so much a month. He said there is also what they call a "10% disability". He said there are many veterans who then have to go before what is called an "Evaluation Board" and they do need advice and counsel. He said he has had some experience in trying to get a disability pension for a veteran and had to go to a Representative in our Congress to help out. He said there are people who have to stand in line and don't even know how to go about getting help; there are persons who have gone from Stamford up to Bridgeport and waited in line up there and the man up there is a Federal man trying to take care of many different areas and cities. He said this man had to tell one veteran who had recently been discharged with a disability that he would have to return at some other time as he had to leave as he was due at another town. He said to this day this particular veteran has not been able to get answers to questions. He said there are many veterans who are not able to get answers to various matters, whether it be relative to insurance, their discharges, widow's benefits, or whatever it may be. He urged approval of the resolution.

MR. BENNETT said as a veteran and an officer of a veterans group, he can only echo strongly Mr. Chirimbes' remarks. He said there are many benefits that veterans and their families are eligible for and are not obtaining because of the fact that they are not receiving the proper counseling.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Kaplan if he is moving that this be referred to the Steering Committee.

MR. KAPLAN said he moved for approval of the resolution.

THE PRESIDENT said the usual procedure is to refer these matters to the Steering Committee.

MR. KAPLAN MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to by-pass prior referral to the Steering Committee. Seconded.

MR. FUSARO said the resolution is asking the Mayor to reactivate this office and is not asking that this be referred to the Steering Committee.

VOTE taken on suspension of the rules. CARRIED, with one "no" vote.

VOTE taken on the resolution. CARRIED, with one "no" vote (Mr. Hemingway).

Concerning flying flag at half mast on April 6, 1967 to commemorate anniversary of U. S. entering first World War

MR. LINDSTROM brought up the above matter and suggested a letter be sent to the Mayor requesting this be done.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he agrees with Mr. Lindstrom.

MR. BITETTO MOVED that a letter recommending this to the Mayor be forthcoming from the Board.

THE PRESIDENT said this will be done and no vote is necessary.

MR. CONNORS informed the members that there is presently a Bill in Hartford in reference to that.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OPINION (Letter of 9/21/66 to Supt. of Parks)
Concerning Proposed use by Park Commission of City-owned Properties

THE PRESIDENT read the following:

Sept. 21, 1966

Mr. Edward A. Connell
Superintendent of Parks
Cove Island
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Superintendent Connell:

This is to acknowledge your letter of September 16, 1966, concerning the proposed use by the Park Commission of various city-owned properties.

The Board of Representatives, as the legislative body of the City, would be the proper agency to transfer jurisdiction of the parcels in question to the Park Commission for park purposes.

However, the Planning Board, annually, pursuant to Sec. 2-24 (b) of the Code of General Ordinances, reviews the list of city-owned properties and makes a recommendation as to the present and future use of each parcel. Inasmuch as the use of the properties now proposed by the Park Commission may not have been considered by the Planning Board in its review, we would suggest that your proposal be submitted to the Planning Board so that it might make a recommendation in connection therewith.

The recommendation of the Planning Board, having been submitted to the Mayor and the Board of Representatives, a resolution by the Board of Representatives transferring the properties in question to the Park Commission for park purposes would effectuate the plan.

W. Patrick Ryan
Corporation Counsel

Communication (dated 2/21/67) from the GENERAL PULASKI DEMOCRATIC CLUB
Concerning use of Board meeting room by outside organizations

THE PRESIDENT informed the members that the above letter has been received by him, questioning the use of the Board of Representatives' room and some of the questions concern the use of the room by the Planning Board, Zoning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals and why they are not allowed to use the room, having to pay outside custodian services in the various schools.

He said this letter was answered and they were informed that they do have to pay for custodial services whether they use the Board meeting room or school facilities, so there is no saving from the standpoint of custodial services.

He said this was gone into thoroughly by a previous Board and it worked out after considerable discussion that the meeting room of the Board of Representatives is not suitable for public hearings of this nature, both from the standpoint of fire regulations, parking facilities, etc.

He said permission has been given to both the Republican and Democratic Town Committees to use the room, but they must, however, pay custodial fees for their services and they do not get it free.

He said he had to make it clear that since this happens to be a legislative body, it should be treated the same way as any other legislative body, whether it be local, state or national, that legislative meeting rooms are never open for the use of the general public. He said they made an exception in the case of the Town Committees for the reason that they are elected bodies and also of equal size to the Board of Representatives from each District.

OLD BUSINESS:

\$40,000.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Resolution No. 519 amending 1966/1967
Capital Projects Budget, for CONSTRUCTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
OFFICE FACILITIES - (Present building needed for Urban Renewal)
(Mayor's letter of 8/5/66) - Deferred 9/6/66; 10/3/66; TABLED
11/9/66 with 2 "No" votes; held in Committee 12/5/66 and TABLED
INDEFINITELY on 1/9/67; meeting of "Committee of the Whole" to
discuss matter with Board of Education held 2/23/67.

MR. HEMINGWAY said last month, the item of \$500,000.00 for the Board of Education Office Building was tabled and during the month there was a special meeting of this Board held, with 19 present at which time the whole matter was discussed and the general feeling at that meeting was to agree on a location at the rear of the present Stamford High School down along Hillandale Avenue. He said the Public Works Committee and the Planning & Zoning Committee have since had meetings in regard to the legal problems of closing Hillandale Avenue.

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED to remove from the table of the \$500,000.00 item so that there can be discussion on the recommendation to make an appropriation for planning money only in the sum of \$40,000.00. Seconded by Mr. Nathanson, Mr. Fusaro, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Karl and others. CARRIED unanimously.

MR. HEMINGWAY explained that the three Committees involved in discussion of this matter felt that we should start with planning money and then get a better idea of what the total cost will be. He said the Board of Education adopted a resolution on Saturday which indicates their agreement, by resolution, that they will plan for such a building on Hillandale Avenue on city-owned property, plus a part of the street which is to be closed and that they will plan to include in the office building, a service and maintenance building, or will have it adjoining in the same area of land. He said he believes this accomplishes the basic purposes which many of the Board members have been discussing over a long period of time.

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Karl:

RESOLUTION NO. 519

AMENDING THE 1966-1967 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY
ADDING ITEM TO BE KNOWN AS "CONSTRUCTION OF BOARD
OF EDUCATION OFFICE AND MAINTENANCE FACILITIES"
AND APPROPRIATION IN AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 THEREFOR

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford to amend the 1966-1967 Capital Projects Budget to include an item to be known as "CONSTRUCTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE AND MAINTENANCE FACILITIES" including Service and Maintenance facilities, either adjoining, or as an integral part of the main office building, to be located on the East side of Hillandale Avenue on City-owned property, to be assigned to the Board of Education, adjoining present school property, in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, by adding thereto the additional sum of \$40,000.00 for said Project.

MR. BITETTO reported that there was a joint meeting of the Planning & Zoning and Public Works Committees last Thursday evening and it was the consensus of opinion that there was certain involvement as to the land on the easterly side of Hillandale Avenue and the road itself that adjoins both these properties. He said they discussed the feasibility of checking out with other Boards, the Corporation Counsel, the Engineering Department and the Public Works Department in order to ascertain whether or not this could be done and done in time for the adoption of the proposed resolution. He said the following day, as directed by the unanimous decision of both committees, he, as Chairman of the Public Works Committee, and Dom Mosca, as Chairman of the Planning & Zoning Committee, met on Friday morning and issued a request of the office of the Corporation Counsel, as well as to the Commissioner, on the subject of the abandonment of the unpaved portion of Hillandale Avenue as well as joining together the city-owned land split by this road. He said the Corporation Counsel gave them to understand that this would not be any particular problem, as the land itself was unaccepted portion of the street, of Hillandale Avenue and that the property could easily be transferred over to the Board of Education from the Planning Board.

MR. FARMEN said he favors the resolution, but thinks the record should show that at the special meeting it was made clear that the Urban Renewal Commission had to have the Board of Education building by April 1, 1968 - that this is a final deadline and they were not to hold up Broad Street. He said it is important to not let this matter drag.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he is upset by the lack of cooperation by the Board of Education after the special meeting. He said it was unanimously decided to accept the land at the rear of the Stamford High School, which is in his District. He said the Board of Education had their monthly meeting and did not enlighten their members who were not able to attend the special meeting as to what was resolved. He said he also feels that they did not show good faith in taking action in an official letter of verification to the Board of Representatives' committees who went "all out" to expedite this. He said not until today, at approximately 4 P.M., Monday, March 6th, is when the Board finally received this letter. He said there seems to be a sense of indifference by the Board of Education, and if the department store to be constructed on the site of the present office building of the Board of Education, he wants to go on record as saying it will be the inaction by the Board of Education in starting a building on this site.

MR. ROGERS MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on the resolution as presented by Mr. Hemingway. CARRIED by unanimous vote.

Concerning poor snow removal on the East side

MR. KUCZO said he wants to know what happened to the above request, submitted to the Steering Committee some time ago by himself and Mr. Connors which was referred to the Public Works Committee.

MR. BITETTO asked the President if it is proper at this time to try and give Mr. Kuczo the answers.

THE PRESIDENT asked him to keep it brief.

MR. BITETTO said he believes it can be stated in a few sentences that in order to remedy any future re-zoning of areas to be plowed in the City of Stamford and to whom the responsibility lies, such as the private contractors and city-owned equipment, the answer has been given in the press recently by the Commissioner of Public Works in that he has charged the Building Bureau cars (those that work for the City) and city-owned cars and the various Boards of the city that work in a city capacity with cars - they have been assigned areas to check out the plowing of the city streets. He said this was tried out at the last storm and it worked out very well and he feels sure will answer a lot of problems that were created.

MR. BITETTO said, regarding the other questions posed in Mr. Kuczo's letter, he will try to go into more detail at a later date when we are not so pressed for time.

Concerning Formation of new Charter Revision Commission

MR. KUCZO asked the President if he was going to appoint a Charter Revision Commission or not.

THE PRESIDENT said this has been discussed to some degree and will be discussed further next month, but there is some question of what can be accomplished by starting it as this time, because there are many items of major concern that would be brought before them and whether the Charter Revision Commission would be able to report back to this Board in a reasonable length of time, and it sounds very impractical, as if it were going to be done, it should have been done last year.

MR. KUCZO said he has requested this since last November and he fails to understand why there is such a "drag" on it.

\$36,000.00 - COMMITTEE ON TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT (C.T.E.) - Special Account No. 108,2408 (Because of cut-back from Regional Office of O.E.O. and need to continue program through 6/30/67) (Mayor's letter of - undated) (TABLED 2/6/67 - page 4967 of Minutes)

MR. LOCKHART MOVED that the above matter be removed from the table. Seconded by Mr. Kaplan and Mr. Mitchell. CARRIED with several "no" votes.

MR. LOCKHART MOVED for approval of the above appropriation. Seconded by Mr. Kaplan.

MR. MORRIS said he can only repeat what he said last month - that it is a Federal government project, started by the Federal government and all of a sudden they decided that it either wasn't worthwhile or for some other reason, and in fact are probably taking a second look at many of these. He objected to the city taking over a project initiated by the Federal government, which they don't see fit to carry through to a finish. He said he cannot see burdening the taxpayers with more and more and that the city has enough to carry without taking on the Federal government's projects too. He said he fails to see where it is the duty of the City to see the program through - that it was started by the Federal government and it is up to them to see it through.

MR. LOCKHART said he contacted the Director of Training and Employment here, after the letter was received last month from Mr. Dyer of the Office of O.E.O. He said he is in receipt of a letter dated March 6, 1967 as follows:

Dear Mr. Lockhart:

In reply to your request for information concerning the C.T.E. request for \$36,000.00 from the City of Stamford, please be advised that this request is to carry out on existing programs to June 30, 1967 and should in no way be taken as an indication that C.T.E. will or will not again apply for funding.

This is not a C.T.E. program and in our opinion would be detrimental to discontinue or drastically reduce any program in mid-year. It was also not anticipated that Congress would make such a drastic reduction in available funds for the fiscal year 1967. In my opinion there was misinterpretation of the letter from Mr. Dyer. It is my belief that Mr. Dyer was complimenting Stamford for temporarily assuming part of the cost of the existing program until other sources could provide funds or Congress could reconsider and act on the existing programs to provide funds.

MR. LOCKHART said tonight, like many other nights, this Board has sat here and voted on thousands and thousands of dollars to make our city run more smoothly, because we want a modern and progressive city. He said we are not questioning a program to help the man who is on the bottom, who is trying to better himself and his family, to make it possible for him to read when working conditions do not permit him to attend night school. He urged approval of the appropriation.

MR. HEMINGWAY said he is in favor of this appropriation on the firm understanding that it is to finish out a program which was started last year in good faith on an appropriation from the Federal government. He said we are given to understand that on July 1st of this year, if no appropriation is available, then obviously there will be no program, or it will be cut to whatever appropriation is forthcoming from the Federal government. He said he thinks we should vote in favor of this one appropriation.

MR. MITCHELL spoke in favor of the motion and urged approval of the appropriation.

MR. BITETTO spoke in favor of the appropriation.

MR. BROMLEY urged approval of the request. He said he does not feel that Stamford should carry it on indefinitely; however, he has worked as a substitute tutor and has seen with his own eyes the great benefits that have been accomplished in his work at the Bethel A.M.E. Church.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he is in favor of the appropriation, but would like to take issue with a remark made by Mr. Lockhart when he called the Stamford school system "an inferior system". He stated that he strongly objects to that statement.

MR. MURPHY said he is in favor of giving these people a chance.

MR. LOCKHART said he would answer Mr. Boccuzzi, because he is speaking from experience with the students that he has come in contact with, who are fifth and sixth grade students reading on a second and third grade level.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he does not think we can blame the Stamford school system for a lack of reading ability. He said a statement like this shows a complete lack of understanding of the dedication of many teachers in Stamford. He said he would like to invite Mr. Lockhart to Rice School just to take a look one day and see what is going on and how many of these teachers and volunteers are helping the culturally deprived student at Rice School. He said this would make him more aware of just what is going on to help these children.

MR. FUSARO spoke in favor of the motion. He said simple mathematics would dictate that we go along with this program. He said an individual on welfare could say, collect something like \$3,000 in a year and if you take 10 or 15 families off the relief rolls and you have more than paid the City and the State back the money that we might appropriate this evening. Further, there are many projects left hanging in the air that was started by this group, leaving us with no way of evaluating the good that has been accomplished. He urged giving the program an opportunity to run its natural course.

MR. KARL spoke in favor of the appropriation.

MR. ROGERS spoke against the appropriation. He said he agrees with Mr. Bromley that this is a program which should be handled by the Federal government, but feels they must have had very good reasons for cutting the appropriations all over the country. He said he feels we have been left in the lurch and have to use Stamford's tax dollars to follow through on something the Federal government started. He said he would like to see this remain TABLED.

MR. HEINZER spoke against the motion. He said we have a school system that is well staffed by upwards of 2,000 professional people, whose function it is in this city as well as every other city, to provide an education for our children. He said we have our "drop-out" problems and perhaps are not able to do a perfect job, but now here we are proposing that we take C.T.E. money to "cure" all the ills of the school system, with absolutely no professional direction - just handing this money out, helter-skelter. To give an example, he said, take this tutoring program - that in order to encourage these children to take these tutoring sessions, and school teachers are always available, after school, to any school child who want to make use of the time --- and in order to encourage these children to take these tutoring sessions, they are PAID \$10.00 a week and in order to qualify for this \$10.00 all they have to do is to put in ONE HOUR. He said we have a ridiculous situation of lay people tutoring these children for \$7.00 a hour, and these students, in turn, are being paid \$10.00 for that very same hour. He said, he knows, because the checks were passed out last week for the first session of this "tutoring" program. He said if this is what the C.T.E. program stands for and proposes, he cannot see how anyone, in good faith, can vote for it.

MR. MORRIS said he thinks that the taxpayers of the City of Stamford are paying a great deal of money to give our children a good education and now we are given to understand that this is not adequate. He said the newspapers are full of ads looking for people to work on various jobs. He said it is ridiculous if we have to pay people to teach other people how to go up and ask someone to give them a job, and anyone who is physically able should be able to work. He said there are many jobs going begging for want of someone to take them, and in the Police and Fire Departments alone, about 90% of them are holding down two jobs, which goes to prove that there is plenty of work available for anyone who is willing to work. He said he can't see strapping the taxpayers to take over these Federal programs.

MR. BENNETT said he has a couple of questions - one, the affect on the mill rate of the \$36,000 and also, just exactly what does this program entail? He said he has heard something about tutoring, something about job training. He said he wants to know just what programs are we trying to continue with this appropriation.

MR. HEMINGWAY said the first question is that this is something less than a tenth of a mill.

THE PRESIDENT said he does not believe anyone is ready to answer the second question as to what the continuation of the program entails.

MR. BENNETT said he would like a "capsule" of it if he is expected to vote to continue the program.

MR. LOCKHART said he thinks the total responsibility is left to the community. He said he thinks it is a poor excuse to come in now with all these questions when it was presented before the Board at the last meeting and those interested in getting these questions answered have had ample time to do some research. He suggested that the members check St. Josephs Hospital, the Stamford Hospital, Clairols, Machlett's and other places where people have been gainfully employed on good training programs throughout the community.

MR. FUSARO said he wants to clear up one point regarding this \$10.00. He said this is for the added expense that the student incurs, such as staying after hours and possibly going in on a Saturday, because the transportation is no longer available through the school system and because he has to pay for his own transportation, and covers his transportation for a week, to and from school. He said it does not represent an out and out "gift" or an encouragement to show up, but intended to pay the student's expenses getting back and forth.

MR. HEINZER said one hour qualifies and that is all they are taking and not a week as Mr. Fusaro implies.

MR. FUSARO said he has the floor. He said of course there are always unscrupulous people in all walks of life, and can't see decapitating a man for a boil on his foot. He said the students who only accept one hour and refuse to go the rest of the week should be disqualified from admission the following week.

MR. MOSCA MOVED THE QUESTION due to the lateness of the hour. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT said the vote will now be taken on the motion as previously made by Mr. Lockhart to approve the appropriation.

MR. BITETTO requested a roll call vote. Seven members signified their willingness for a roll call vote. (NOTE: See Rule No. 2, page 6 under "Voting" of Rules of Order. Requires approval of one-fifth of those present.)

The Clerk called the roll. The motion was CARRIED by a vote of 26 in favor and 7 opposed, as follows:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

ARRUZZA, Patsy (D)
BENNETT, Jonathan (R)
BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
BUCHANAN, William (R)
CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
CASALE, Louis (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
CLARKE, Hilda (R)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
FARMEN, Lynn (R)
FUSARO, John (D)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
KAPLAN, Howard (D)
KARL, Frederick (R)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
MITCHELL, Charles (D)
MOSCA, Dominick (R)
MURPHY, William (D)
NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
RICH, John (R)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)

THOSE VOTING AGAINST

CAPORIZZO, William (R)
HEINZER, Charles (R)
IACOVO, Edwin (R)
KUCZO, Paul (D)
LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
ROGERS, Randolph (R)

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Mr. Connors and Mr. Longo left before the above vote was taken and Mr. Russell, being the President, not being required to vote, except in case of a tie.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 P.M.

Velma Farrell

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Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

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APPROVED:

George E. Russell

George E. Russell, President
9th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was
broadcast over Radio
Station WSTC until
11:00 P.M.

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