

MEETING OF THE 9th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Minutes of August 7, 1967
Stamford, Connecticut

A regular monthly meeting of the 9th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, August 7, 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 8.40 P.M.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Charles R. Sargent, Jr., Union Baptist Church.

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

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 34 present and 6 absent at the calling of the roll. However, Mr. Longo arrived at 9.15 P.M., changing the roll call to 35 present and 5 absent.

The absent members were:

Edwin Lindstrom (B)	1st District
Vincent Caporizzo (D)	5th District
Patsy Arruzza (D)	9th District
Jonathan Bennett (R)	11th District
William Caporizzo (R)	15th District

PAGES FOR TRANSMITTING MESSAGES:

THE PRESIDENT announced the following Page Boys:

MARK JOPSON of Stamford High School
BRUCE MONROE of Rippowam High School

He also announced the following stand-by Pages to help and observe:

JOSEPH MURPHY, son of William Murphy, 6th District Representative
ROBERT SHAWINSKY

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:

THE PRESIDENT explained that Velma Farrell has agreed to take on the chore of doing the Minutes. He said they have been transcribed verbatim and if anyone wishes to look at these they are welcome. He explained that one of the shortcomings in trying to have someone not familiar with the Minutes do them, is that the members do not announce who is speaking and often fail to turn on their microphone, so their voice is not recorded at all. This also prevents it from going out over the air as the Radio Station is also dependent on those speaking to turn on their "Mike" — otherwise, nothing is heard.

THE PRESIDENT called attention to the presence of Steve Kelly and said he wants to extend a very special welcome to him — that he was very much missed on the Board and he is sure everyone is happy to see him back.

Concerning PUC Increase in Water Rates — Public Hearings in Hartford

MR. KAPLAN said he would like to call attention to the fact that the State Law

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provides that if 25 citizens sign a petition, the P.U.C. must hold a hearing in the County where the Water Company is located. He said he has prepared such a petition and is going to ask all the members to sign it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT Meeting held Monday, July 24, 1967

A meeting of the Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives was held on Monday, July 24, 1967, in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was Chaired by Mr. Nathanson, Assistant Majority Leader. The meeting was called to order at 7.15 P.M. All members were present, with the exception of Booth Hemingway, John Rich, Joseph Bitetto and Robert Durso.

- (1) Additional appropriations (11) approved by the Board of Finance at their meeting held July 13, 1967 were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under FISCAL COMMITTEE - Items in excess of \$2,000 except pensions, were referred to a secondary committee.
- (2) Adoption of ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT FROM CITY OF STAMFORD to FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, INC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A STORM DRAIN TO FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, presently under construction. (Per Mayor's request of 5/24/67 with enclosures and map) - (Approved by Board of Finance on 6/8/67 - Approved for publication by Board of Representatives on 7/10/67)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (3) PROPOSED ORDINANCE RE: PAYMENTS FOR DAMAGES INCURRED BY CITIZENS ASSISTING A PEACE OFFICER OR OFFICER APPREHENDING A CRIMINAL OR CRIMINALS, OR TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC PEACE OR TO PREVENT PUBLIC DISTURBANCE - (Brought in by William Murphy, 6th District Representative, at Steering Committee meeting held 5/22/66 - Referred to Corporation Counsel for an opinion on 6/5/67)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (4) PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF A CODE OF ETHICS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOARD OF ETHICS FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD - (Brought in by Howard Kaplan, 14th District Representative - Approved for publication at 7/10/67 Board meeting)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (5) PROPOSED ORDINANCE FORBIDDING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS OR AGENCIES, WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - (Letter dated 3/16/67 from Stephen Kelly, 4th District Representative - Not reported out of Committee by L & R Committee on 7/10/67, but referred back to that Committee)

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(6) WORKABLE PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(7) Proposed Resolution to hold September Board Meeting on Monday, September 11, 1967 because of Labor Day falling on first Monday of month

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(8) WIDENING OF LEONARD STREET

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(9) NEWFIELD SHOPPING CENTER DRAINAGE PROBLEM

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(10) HOBSON STREET MATTER

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

(11) Concerning Resolution No. 532 adopted July 10, 1967 - PROTEST TO PUC ON INCREASED WATER RATES FOR CITY OF STAMFORD -(Application of Stamford Water Company, Docket No. 10570 pending before the PUC)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under OLD BUSINESS

(12) Letter (dated 6/20/67) from James A. Stramaglia, Jr., 25 Bedford Street, relating to deterioration of local beaches, especially Cove Island

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

(13) Letter dated 6/21/67 from Paul Kuczo Jr., 8th District Representative, concerning SASCA being ordered to move out of the Old Town Hall, and asking the Board to prevent this.

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

(14) Letter (undated) from Robert Byck, 101 Maltbie Avenue, Stamford, to Howard Kaplan, 14th District Representative, concerning POLLUTION OF RIPPONWAM RIVER

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

(15) Department of Public Welfare Monthly Report for April 1967

Noted and filed, with copy sent to Education, Welfare & Government Committee.

- (16) Letter (dated 6/22/67) from Mrs. R. C. Minor, Secretary, Courtland Terrace Association, Inc. 74 Courtland Hill Street, Glenbrook, concerning resolution adopted supporting Democratic Town Committee's investigation of URC

REFERRED TO URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (17) Letter (dated 6/27/67) from James F. Bingham, Chairman of Stamford Planning Board, concerning the matter of placing under jurisdiction of PARK DEPARTMENT certain City-owned land on Shippan Avenue

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (18) Letter (dated 6/23/67) from Hawley Oefinger, regarding TRAFFIC LIGHT at scene of multiple alarm fire of OLD CLOONAN SCHOOL on Woodland Avenue (Traffic light on Hope and Bennett Street) - 8 explanations -

Noted and filed - Not on agenda

- (19) Letter (dated 6/24/67) from Robert Bundock, Chairman, Park Commission, to Edwin Lindstrom, Chairman, Parks & Recreation Committee, recommending the tract of land formerly occupied by the Strand Theatre, be named "KIWANIS PARK"

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (20) Copy of letter (dated 6/24/67) from Robert Bundock, Chairman of Park Commission, to Edwin Lindstrom, Chairman, Parks & Recreation Committee, concerning minimum age limit for "I.D." cards

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (21) Letter (dated 6/20/67) from Harold M. Tollefson, President, National League of Cities, inviting Board Members to attend 44th Annual Congress of Cities, between July 29th and August 2nd, to be held in Boston, Mass.

The above letter, having been read at the July Board Meeting, was noted and filed.

- (22) Letter (dated 6/26/67) from Ferdinand Ruffino, 59 Sleepy Hollow Lane, concerning poor condition of beaches - i.e., rocks, seaweed, beer cans, garbage, etc.

REFERRED TO PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (23) Letter (dated 6/29/67) from Stephen Vitka, Commander Kliek-Poltrack Post, V.F.W. proposing an Ordinance in recognition of the sacrifices of our citizens in the defense of the USA

Above letter sent to Congressman Donald Irwin for attention.

- (24) Letter (dated 6/30/67) from E. Rivlin, President, North Stamford Democratic Club, Woody Lane - Concerning proposed Ordinance creating a DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (25) Letter (dated 6/29/67) from Paul Kuczo, Jr., 8th District Representative, re correction of Mr. Bitetto's ruling on PUBLIC HEARINGS - Mr. Kuczo not being allowed to speak at the open hearing on SASCA being given office space in the Old Town Hall

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (26) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE monthly report for May 1967

Copy sent to Education, Welfare & Government Committee - Not on agenda

- (27) Letter (dated 6/26/67) from R. L. Whynot, Mgr. Engineering Dept., to Hawley Oefinger, concerning TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES and the Glen Falls Program -
(System designed to emphasize need for conformity and standards in traffic control devices)

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (28) Letter (dated 7/3/67) from C. L. Herold, DARIEN CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMISSION, requesting a copy of the report of the Special Committee on the Noroton River

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Copy of Cove Dam report ordered sent to Mr. Herold - Not on agenda

- (29) Copy of letter (dated 7/5/67) to Jonathan Bennett, Chairman, Public Housing and General Relocation Committee, from James B. Hibben, Director of Urban Renewal, regarding summary of the Connecticut Community Development Act of 1967

Copy of above letter given to PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE and the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (30) Card (undated) from Vincent Caporizzo, 5th District Representative, with letter attached, from J. Walter Kennedy (dated 9/1/67) re LEON PLACE off WEST AVENUE having no street lights and being unpaved

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE and PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (31) Letter (dated 7/7/67) from Mayor Thomas C. Mayers, recommending creation of a CONSERVATION COMMISSION, in accordance with State Act, enclosing copy of the Statute and proposed Ordinance, as suggested by Stamford Citizens for Conservation, Inc.

REFERRED TO LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (32) Letter (undated) from Mitchell M. Ross, 188 Bedford Street, to Representative Howard Kaplan, concerning article on Page 1 of ADVOCATE, Monday, July 3, 1967, regarding one-way traffic study

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda - Copy ordered sent to Thomas Morris, Majority Leader

- (33) Letter (dated 7/13/67) from Michael Sherman, 255 Bedford Street, to City Engineer regarding Maintenance Bond never having been released on WEST GLEN DRIVE and WEST BANK LANE (accepted 11/17/65)

REFERRED TO PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (34) Letter (dated 7/21/67) from Allan Rosenbeck, Chairman, "River Clean Up Committee" concerning clean up of the RIPPOWAM RIVER, requesting the Board designate September 23rd as "Official River Clean Up Day" by adopting such a resolution

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (35) Letter (dated 7/23/67) from Paul Kuczo, Jr., 8th District Representative, requesting investigation to ascertain if there is a conflict of interest in his holding of public office when he is a school teacher and request that this be referred to the Corporation Counsel for a ruling

Above letter noted and filed

- (36) Letter (dated 6/24/67) from Booth Hemingway, 19th District Representative to Howard Kaplan, Chairman of Health & Protection Committee, requesting the placement of a SPEED LIMIT SIGN ON EAST MIDDLE PATENT ROAD

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (37) Letter (dated 7/24/67) from Cleante A. Pimpinella, President, Italian Center, concerning reports of the final decision of the URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MAKING NO PROVISION FOR EXPANSION OF THE ITALIAN CENTER

REFERRED TO URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (38) Mayor's letter (dated 7/21/67) submitting 3 new appointments to City Boards

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - ORDERED PLACED ON AGENDA

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 9.15 P.M.

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Benjamin Nathanson, Chairman Pro Tempore
Steering Committee

MR. KUCZO asked what happened to one of his letters - dated July 21st regarding the Special Investigating Committee of the 8th Board of Representatives. He said he

heard no mention of his letter in the report of the Steering Committee.

THE PRESIDENT said, this Board is not responsible for the action or non-action of a previous Board.

MR. KUCZO said he believes a hoax has been played on the Board of Representatives and the citizens of Stamford.

THE PRESIDENT informed him he is two years late on this - it should have been brought before the previous Board.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, said his Committee met this evening and acted upon the Mayor's appointments. Present were: Mr. Boccuzzi, Mr. Bitetto, Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Nathanson.

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

HEALTH COMMISSION:

Term Ending

- (1) Dr. John M. Weir (R) (2nd submission)
6 Hubbard Court
(Reappointment)

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

MR. NATHANSON said his Committee is not bringing this appointment on the floor for a vote for the reason that the Committee report is unfavorable; therefore he is not presenting any motion.

MR. MURPHY questioned the action taken by the Appointments Committee and feels that the Board should vote on all appointments that appear on the agenda.

MR. NATHANSON said the Committee Chairman has the right not to bring in a report.

MR. CONNORS said Mr. Nathanson is right, but he will go along with the fact that any member of the Board has the right to get up and submit the name and it can then be voted upon.

MR. MURPHY said he still questions it and wants a ruling from the Corporation Counsel.

THE PRESIDENT said it is the privilege of the Chairman of a Committee to keep a matter in Committee. He ruled that this is correct.

PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATES:

Term Ending

- (2) Samuel Bernstein (D)
355 Cascade Road
(Replacing James F. Simon
who resigned)

Dec. 1, 1970
(4 yr. term)

VOTE: 24 yes
10 no

PLANNING BOARD ALTERNATES: (CONT.)

(3) <u>Mrs. Ann Barton (R)</u>		<u>Term Ending</u>
Wallack's Drive		
(Replacing Paul Klinkowski, whose	VOTE: 27 yes	Dec. 1, 1971
term expired 12/1/66)	7 no	(5 yr. term)

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

THE PRESIDENT said he has a correction for the agenda - that the first item to be taken up will be approval of the four contracts for City employees, copies of which have been forwarded to all Board Members.

- (1) COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS - 4 MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEE BARGAINING UNITS:
Municipal Employee's Association; Park Department; Hubbard Heights
Golf Commission employees and the Parking Authority employees
Date Effective: July 1, 1967 (Under the provisions of Public Act #159)

MR. HEMINGWAY said these four contracts follow very much the same pattern of that of last year which were negotiated for the Police, Fire Department, School Custodians & Mechanics and the Public Works non-salaried employees. He said in every case Mr. Gordon, Mr. Wilenski and Mr. McCutcheon were the Committee that negotiated for the City. He said they tried to keep the contract within the limits of give and take bargaining and are similar to the existing contracts for very obvious reasons. He said the Fiscal Committee recommends approval of all of these contracts and the total will cost approximately \$115,000 this year in salaries and will not cause a change in the tax program for the reason that the Board of Finance when they set the tax rate took this into consideration - that these contracts were being negotiated and have included a reserve in the tax rate of some \$800,000.

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the four contracts as written. Seconded by Mr. Nathanson and many others. CARRIED, with Mr. Kaplan abstaining for the reason that his law firm represents one of the employee groups - the MEA.

- (2) \$1,075.00 - PLANNING BOARD, Code 134.0101, Salaries (Mayor's letter of 6/27/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. He said it refers to the reclassification of a Draftsman and Planning Technician, who is now doing creative work beyond the requirements for Draftsman. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (3) \$2,960.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES, Code 106.0102, Part-time Help and Temporary Full-time Secretary - (Mayor's letter of 6/28/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (4) \$4,991.28 - SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY, Code 135.2102 (Mayor's letter of 7/7/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request, and urged approval of the appropriation. Seconded by Mr. Karl and Mr. Rich.

There ensued considerable debate on the question, when MR. ROGERS MOVED THE QUESTION, seconded and CARRIED.

MR. BROMLEY asked what vote is necessary to pass this.

THE PRESIDENT said the vote would have to be an affirmative vote of two-thirds of those present, under Charter provisions.

THE PRESIDENT called for a roll call vote on the appropriation which had been requested. LOST by a vote of 17 in favor and 17 opposed - requires a vote of 24 in favor to carry. The roll call vote follows:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

Joseph Bitetto (R)
Theodore Boccuzzi (D)
Robert Bromley (R)
Hilda Clarke (R)
Lynn Farnen (R)
John Fusaro (D)
Alan Grant (R)
Booth Hemingway (R)
Howard Kaplan (D)
Frederick Karl (R)
Urwin Kraut (R)
Alton LeBeau (R)
Ralph Lockhart (D)
Charles Mitchell (D)
Dominick Mosca (R)
William Murphy (D)
John Rich (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

John Boccuzzi (D)
William Buchanan (R)
Louis Casale (R)
Peter Chirimbes (R)
George Connors (D)
Edward Dombrowski (D)
Robert Durao (D)
Charles Heinzer (R)
Edwin Iacovo (R)
Stephen Kelly (D)
Paul Kucso (D)
Frances Lilliendahl (R)
Carmine Longo (D)
Thomas Morris (R)
Benjamin Nathanson (R)
Randolph Rogers (R)
Gerald Rybnick (D)

- (5) \$3,376.42 - PENSION - POLICE DEPARTMENT, for Patrolman Thomas J. Maloney's widow, Alice P. Maloney, based on annual salary of \$7,150.00 or 50% of his annual salary - \$3,575.00 (Patrolman Maloney's widow being entitled to accumulated time for the period from time of her husband's death, 6/12/67 thru 7/21/67. For balance of fiscal year 7/22/67 thru 6/30/68, there will be due his widow eleven months and ten days pension of \$3,376.42) - (See Mayor's letter of 7/11/67)

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

- (6) \$3,425.00 - PENSION - POLICE DEPARTMENT, for Patrolman Eli M. Pia, based on annual salary of \$6,850.00 or 50% of his annual salary - \$3,425.00 (Mayor's letter of 7/11/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (7) \$5,463.56 - PENSION - POLICE DEPARTMENT, for Lt. Clarence Smith, based on annual salary of \$9,050.00 or two-thirds of annual salary - \$6,033.33 - (For balance of fiscal year - 8/6/67 thru 6/30/68, there will be due him ten months and twenty-six days pension of \$5,463.56) (See Mayor's letter of 7/11/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (8) \$3,225.45 - PENSION - STAMFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT, for Raymond C. Duane, Fire Alarm Operator, based on annual salary of \$7,234.56 or 50% of his annual salary - \$3,617.28. (For balance of fiscal year - 8/11/67 thru 6/30/68 there will be due him ten months and twenty-one days pension of \$3,225.45) - (See Mayor's letter of 7/12/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called attention to the fact that there are now 32 members left, Mrs. Clarke, Mr. Lockhart and Mr. Mitchell having been excused.

- (8) \$ 125.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 607.0101. Salaries - Bureau of Highways and Maintenance, Division of Equipment Maintenance (See Mayor's letter of 6/19/67)

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

- (10) \$16,000.00- DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 626.0101. Salaries - Bureau of Engineering (Replacement of City Engineer, who retired) (See Mayor's letter of 6/19/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rich and Mr. Mosca.

MR. RYBNICK said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval.

MR. BITETTO said the Public Works Committee also approves this item.

MR. HEMINGWAY said this is a job that was cut out of the Budget at the May 8th Board Meeting for the reason that the Fiscal Committee was not satisfied with the specifications, but since then it has been stated more specifically and the Fiscal Committee is now satisfied as to the wording of the specifications.

VOTE taken on item #10 above. CARRIED.

- (11) \$ 625.00 - ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, Code 144.0101. Salaries (The following salaries were upgraded by the Personnel Commission on 3/21/67):

Katherine O'Connell	_____	from \$5,450.00 to \$5,650.00
Mary Hogan	_____	" 5,650.00 " 5,875.00
Mary Giblin	_____	" 5,450.00 " 5,650.00

(See Mayor's letter of 6/19/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee also approves this item. CARRIED.

- (12) \$ 33,510.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS, Code 102.2201. New Equipment - For purchase of 20 "Printomatic" Type Voting Machines, including quantity discount and transportation, at \$1,733.00 each = \$34,660.00 less trade-in allowance, being total needed of \$33,510.00 - (See Mayor's letter of 7/7/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request, stating that some of the machines now in use date back to 1930 and are badly needed. Seconded by Mr. Kelly, Mr. Chirimbis, Mr. Kuczo and Mr. Murphy, who stated that his Committee - the Education, Welfare and Government Committee, concur in approval. CARRIED.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH, Chairman, said his Committee met on Monday, July 31st with the following members present: Bromley, Farman, Kaplan, LeBeau, Murphy and Rich. Also present for discussion on several items were Mr. Broun, Mr. Zezima and Booth Hemingway.

- (1) Adoption of ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, INC., FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A STORM DRAIN TO FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, presently under construction - (See Mayor's request of 5/24/67 with enclosures and map) (Approved for publication at 7/10/67 Board Meeting; published 7/14/67.

MR. RICH said the Committee discussed the questions raised at the July Board Meeting and reviewed the Corporation Counsel's opinion and find the easement to be in order and recommend its approval with two changes. The proposed Ordinance would then read as follows:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AUTHORIZATION OF AN EASEMENT FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A STORM DRAIN TO FRIENDSHIP HOUSE, PRESENTLY UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD:

That in conformity with Sec. 488 of the Stamford Charter, notwithstanding any provisions of Chapter 2, Sec. 2-24 to 2-27 inclusive of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the easement, as shown on the map entitled: "Map Showing Easement to be Conveyed to Friendship House, Inc. by the City of Stamford, Stamford, Conn., certified substantially correct. Edward J. Frattaroli & Co., Surveyor, Stamford, Conn., May 17, 1967" which map is to be filed in the Office of the Town and City Clerk of said City of Stamford, is hereby authorized for storm drain purposes.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City of Stamford and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to transfer title for such prescribed property to grant the easement aforesaid. Nothing contained herein shall prevent the City from erecting any suitable structure relating to recreational use on the land affected by such easement.

This easement to take effect from the date of its enactment.

note; The amendments are underlined. VF

MR. RICH MOVED for publication of the above Ordinance as amended by the Committee, which will also be for final adoption of the Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Farman.

MR. BOCCUZZI spoke in opposition to the Ordinance.

MR. NATHANSON asked a question - if in future years the City should decide to sell this piece of land, might it not be a detriment to the sale? He asked if this question has been asked of the Corporation Counsel.

MR. FUSARO spoke in opposition, saying it would have a devaluating effect on the land.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members the land is dedicated for park purposes ONLY.

MR. DURSO spoke in opposition.

A roll call vote was requested.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members this requires a vote of 21 to adopt the Ordinance.

ROLL CALL VOTE taken on adoption of the Ordinance. LOST by a vote of 14 in favor and 16 opposed. The vote was as follows: (Mr. Bromley abstained)

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

Joseph Bitetto (R)
Louis Casale (R)
Peter Chirimbes (R)
George Connors (D)
Lynn Farman (R)
Alan Grant (R)
Booth Hemingway (R)
Howard Kaplan (D)
Frederick Karl (R)
Urwin Kraut (R)
Alton LeBeau (R)
Dominick Mosca (R)
William Murphy (D)
John Rich (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

John Boccuzzi (D)
Theodore Boccuzzi (D)
William Buchanan (R)
Edward Dombrowski (D)
Robert Durso (D)
John Fusaro (D)
Charles Heinzer (R)
Edwin Iacovo (R)
Stephen Kelly (D)
Paul Kucso (D)
Frances Lilliendahl (R)
Carmina Longo (D)
Thomas Morris (R)
Benjamin Nathanson (R)
Randolph Rogers (R)
Gerald Rybnick (D)

(President does not vote, except to break a tie).

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- (2) PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING PAYMENTS FOR DAMAGES INCURRED BY CITIZENS ASSISTING A PEACE OFFICER, OR OFFICER APPREHENDING A CRIMINAL OR CRIMINALS, OR TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC PEACE OR TO PREVENT PUBLIC DISTURBANCE - (Brought in by William Murphy, 6th District Representative, at Steering Committee meeting held 5/22/67 - Referred to Corporation Counsel for opinion on 6/5/67)

MR. RICH MOVED for publication of the following proposed Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Nathanson and CARRIED:

PROPOSED ORDINANCECONCERNING PAYMENT FOR DAMAGES INCURRED BY CITIZENS ASSISTING
A POLICE OFFICER OR SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS APPREHENDING A
CRIMINAL OR CRIMINALS, OR TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC PEACE OR TO
PREVENT PUBLIC DISTURBANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Chapter 25 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford is hereby amended by the addition thereto, following the end of Section 25-6 thereof, of the following:

Section 25-7: Payment of the claims for damages suffered in the
prevention of crimes or apprehension of criminals
while aiding a police officer or special police
officers.

Any person who, while aiding a police officer or special police officer in the performance of his official duty, incurs damage as a result thereof, may sign a written claim with the "Board of Public Safety" for reimbursement of the expenses incurred as a result of injuries so sustained, including medical and hospital expenses, loss of earnings, funeral expenses, and other out-of-pocket costs actually sustained, and for resultant property damage. Said claim shall be filed within six months after the occurrence and shall specify the date, time, place and nature of the occurrence, as well as the names and addresses of the persons, if known, who caused the damage or injuries. Said claim shall be accompanied by the appropriate medical bills, estimates, reports, and other relevant dates sustaining the loss as may be requested by the Board of Public Safety.

Section 25-8: Award recommended by the Board of Public Safety.

The Board of Public Safety may recommend an award for the payment of such claims. Such awards shall be recommended in the discretion of the Board of Public Safety and not as a matter of right. In the case of the death of such persons, the award may be recommended for the estate of such persons. Any such recommendation by the Board of Public Safety shall be made to the Mayor, who may in his discretion, request an appropriation therefor in the manner prescribed by law.

Section 25-9: Assignment to City of reimbursement.

Before any payment is made, the claimant shall execute and deliver an assignment to the City of Stamford in such form as approved by the Corporation Counsel, agreeing to reimburse the amount of the payment to the City of Stamford of any sum of money obtained by the claimant arising out of the occurrence entitling the claimant to said payment, whether by judgment, settlement, or otherwise, against anyone legally responsible for the damage, or arising out of any insurance or other source, other than life insurance.

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

- (3) PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF A CODE OF ETHICS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOARD OF ETHICS FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD -
(Brought in by Howard C. Kaplan, 14th District Representative -
Approved for publication by Board of Representatives 7/10/67) (Referred to L & R Committee 5/22/67 by Steering Committee - See item #21, Steering Committee Report, Minutes of 6/5/67) (See Minutes of 7/10/67, #4 under L & R)

MR. RICH said the Committee had hoped that publicity given in the newspapers about an open hearing on the above matter would produce the public's presence and some public comments, but on the contrary, no member of the public showed up at the meeting, nor did any member of the Board. He said the Committee made several changes from the original published version and pointed out where these changes were. HE MOVED for approval of revised version. Seconded.

After considerable debate, it was decided to CALL A RECESS at 11 P. M.

The recess being over, MR. KAPLAN MOVED the above matter be referred back to the Legislative & Rules Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (4) PROPOSED ORDINANCE FORBIDDING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY BETWEEN CITY DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS OR AGENCIES, WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
(Letter dated 3/16/67 from Stephen Kelly, 4th District Representative)
(Reported at 7/10/67 Board Meeting and referred back to L & R Committee for further study)

MR. RICH said this matter has again been referred to the Corporation Counsel for further consideration by that office and for clarification of his earlier opinion.

- (5) WORKABLE PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

MR. RICH explained that the Committee met with Mr. Broun and agreed that many things sent to the Board were explanatory in nature and not intended for approval, but were merely reprinted for the member's edification. He said this is a pre-condition against approval by the Federal Government for a number of projects wherein the Government returns our money for such things as the 221B3 Housing - low-rent, moderate-rent Diocesan Project is one of these. He said the New Hope project is pre-conditioned for approval of urban renewal project in terms of housing, construction and rehabilitation and is pre-conditioned for Senior Citizens allocations and housing, such as Stamford Manor, etc.

He explained the requirements are that the City tell the Federal Government what it is doing itself in order to prevent the sort of thing that requires Federal money backing the City.

After a question and answer period and considerable debate, MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the "Workable Program for Community Improvement". Seconded by several members and CARRIED.

- (6) PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO HOLD SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1967 BECAUSE OF LABOR DAY FALLING ON THE FIRST MONDAY

MR. RICH said his Committee had a rather close, divided vote on this resolution

and recommends approval of a proposed resolution, which he presented at this time and MOVED for its approval. Seconded by Mr. Fusaro. LOST.

After some discussion, it was decided to hold the September Board meeting the next regular week day following the holiday as provided in Sec. 21 of the Charter, which would fall on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1967.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

MR. BITETTO, Chairman, said his committee met on August 3rd in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works. Present were the following: Messrs. Buchanan, Casale, Dombroski, Kelly, Heinzer, Morris and Commissioner Ferrara and Representative Chirimbas.

(1) Newfield Shopping Center Drainage Problem

MR. BITETTO said it was decided to wait for the outcome of the Health Department's letter to the property owners and the result of Helco's engineering report on the site inspection.

(2) Widening of Leonard Street

MR. BITETTO said the City has no right-of-way or ownership of the property needed to fix the road. He said one resident claims to have given the property to the City and that the Commissioner of Public Works asked him for an approximate date of his giving the deed for the right-of-way or a copy, so that the City can legally proceed with the work.

(3) Drainage Problem at Newfield Court

MR. BITETTO reported that Mr. Ferrara will look into this matter.

(4) Senior Citizens' status re: Use of Town Hall facilities for Office (See Minutes of 7/10/67 Item #3, under report of Public Works Committee)

MR. BITETTO said the Corporation Counsel's opinion leaves this matter for the Board of Representatives to decide. He thereupon presented the following letter from the Corporation Counsel:

"Dear Mr. Bitetto:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the inquiry of the Public Works Committee of the Board of Representatives concerning the official status of the two groups dealing with the problems of Senior Citizens presently occupying municipally owned offices. Specifically, your inquiry is whether either or both groups are governmental in nature insofar as municipally owned offices may be allotted for their operations. We have reviewed the background and the pertinent data concerning each group, and in our opinion, neither is at the present time governmental in nature. The proper way to confer governmental status on such a group is provided for in Section 7-127A of the General Statutes of Connecticut, 1963, which reads as follows:

'Any Town, City or Borough may establish a committee to study the needs and coordinate programs toward the aging and may make appropriations to cover the expenses of such Committee.'

"The establishment of such a Committee by the Board of Representatives would confer sufficient governmental status on the Committee to make it eligible to occupy City facilities, subject to the approval of the municipal officer charged with the duty of assigning municipal space to municipal agencies. The use of space in a municipal building by a non-governmental body, no matter how laudible its purpose, would be unauthorized, unless the occupancy is pursuant to a lease, duly authorized, in a manner described by the Charter."

- (5) Proposed Ordinance Forbidding Exchange of Property Between City Departments, Board or Agencies, Without Prior Approval of Board of Representatives
(See Item #4 under Report of Legislative & Rules Committee)

MR. BITETTO said his Committee voted unanimously to refer the above matter to the Legislative & Rules Committee.

- (6) Sidewalk and Paving on High Ridge Road

MR. BITETTO said the Commissioner of Public Works said this matter is under the jurisdiction of the State, but that he would speak to the State Highway Department.

MR. BROMLEY questioned the above matter. He asked if it was not arranged with the people who installed the sewer line to replace the sidewalks they tore up.

He was informed that this has to be done through the State Highway Department as it is under their jurisdiction.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. KAPLAN, Chairman, said they met with the people on the Health Commission in reference to the hiring of a Director of Health and a report will be given at a later date on this matter.

Fences erected on Extension of HOBSON STREET (See Minutes of 7/10/67 Item #2 under report of Public Works Committee, brought up by Benjamin Nathanson, 11th District Representative in letter dated 6/19/67)

MR. KAPLAN introduced the following Resolution and MOVED for its approval, SECONDED and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 533

FENCES UPON THE EXTENSION OF HOBSON STREET

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the City of Stamford should remove all privately erected fences upon the extension of Hobson Street for the reason that public property is for the use and benefit of all citizens of the City and private fences should not be built upon City property.

Concerning Cleaning up Rippowam River

MR. KAPLAN said the Committee declined to have the "Rippowam River Clean-Up Day". *The Chairman was a minority in that report. (Correction 10/2/67) J. 4*
MR. BROMLEY said he wants this brought out of Committee as he believes it to be a very worthwhile project to clean up this litter and debris along the bank of the Rippowam River.

MR. CHIRIMBES said it might entail danger to those trying to do the clean up work and might prove to be troublesome to try to accomplish.

MR. HEMINGWAY said the Stamford Citizens for Conservation felt they couldn't tackle all the rivers at once, but this Board might encourage such support.

MR. CHIRIMBES pointed out that when you are taking this debris out of the river, there has to be someone responsible to haul it away and there has to be a little more thought and planning on this matter before it is started.

Hobson Street Fence

MR. HEINZER MOVED to reconsider the above matter because this is not a privately owned fence any longer - the private fence was removed by the City and replaced by a City-owned fence and we just passed a resolution to remove a privately owned fence.

THE PRESIDENT said this is getting too complicated - the matter is done with and can't be reconsidered the same night.

Concerning Suggested One-way Traffic on Bedford and Summer Street

MR. KAPLAN said this has been taken up with the Chief of Police, with the possibility of an alternative, abolishing all parking along these streets and make them one-way streets. He said the Chief is awaiting a report on this from the Federal Government.

Complaint Concerning Serious Drainage Problems from the NEWFIELD AVENUE SHOPPING CENTER

MR. CHIRIMBES reported on the above matter, at the request of the Chairman, Mr. Kaplan. He said that he, Mr. Bitetto and Mr. Morris checked out this area as well as the Newfield Court area where they complained of water in their cellars. He said the Public Works Department was there and took a few shovels of dirt out. He said it will be followed up by Mr. Buchanan.

Complaint in letter (dated 6/7/67) from William Watrous regarding condition of the Aquila property next door - (See Steering Committee report, Item #14, Minutes of 7/10/67)

MR. CHIRIMBES said he inspected this area with Mr. Kuczo and the conditions are certainly not a credit to the City; however, nothing can be done because the abuses are of long standing. He said he is contacting the Health Department regarding the health hazard.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:Acceptance of Roads as City Streets:

MR. MOSCA, Chairman, presented the following roads for acceptance as City streets,

both having been certified for acceptance by the City Engineer. All maps being filed in the Office of the Town and City Clerk:

TRAILING ROCK LANE - Extending from Riverbank Road easterly to and including a turnaround. Length, approximately 690 ft. Map No. 7958.

FAWNFIELD DRIVE - Extending from Riverbank Road easterly to and including a turnaround. Length, approximately 1,125 ft. Map No. 8339.

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (A Special Committee):

MR. FARMEN reported that the negotiations for the disposition of the contract are proceeding very well. He said he attended a lengthy meeting Thursday evening, August 3rd and came away with the conviction that a total contract will be ready as soon as possible. However, he said, it is dangerous to predict a firm date, but it appears it will be ready in three or four weeks, and at the time it is ready, each member of the Board will receive a copy. He said no final action can be taken by this Board until H.U.D. has approved the contract.

Concerning Italian Center (Letter sent to all Board Members)

MR. FARMEN said he visited the Italian Center Friday morning with Mr. Hibben, where they met with Mr. Pimpinella, President of the Center and Mr. James Morgano, the Executive Director. He said the URC is anxious to work out a solution in order that the Center can expand its facilities and remain in its present location. He said the YMCA is in the same predicament that the Italian Center is in, but as far as they are concerned, they may work out something with the Post Office.

PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE (A Special Committee):

MR. CHIRIMBES, Chairman, said a meeting was held with Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Russell, Mr. Morris and Mr. Vannick present and some suggestions were presented by Mr. Vannick on how to eliminate the housing shortage. He said Mr. Vannick said if City or private property was made available to his Company, and with the proper changes made in the Building Code, he would be able to build low cost housing within the people's ability to pay - that he has built units in Woodbridge, Connecticut and the rent is around \$115 and \$125 per month. These are 2-1/2 or 3 room apartments, including utilities, except electricity.

MR. CHIRIMBES said the Committee is pursuing this further.

New Hope Corporation Cooperative Housing

MR. BUCHANAN said the Committee has requested information from Mr. Hibben of the URC regarding the number of businesses and families that will have to be removed from the area and the number of properties included and just how they intend doing this. He said it appears that the New Hope Corporation has a period of delay in which there have to be reviews by the State and Federal authorities and when they are ready to go ahead, the property must be cleared of people and businesses so that there will be no hitch in the construction program. He said the Committee asked the President of the Board to write a letter to the URC requesting a reply

in time for their July meeting, asking for this information.

MR. CHIRIMES inquired of the President whatever happened to the letter that he asked him to write to Mr. Demms of the Housing Authority. He said as of May 28th when they held their meeting, Mr. Demms was supposed to report and now it is August and as yet, no reply has been received from Mr. Demms.

THE PRESIDENT replied he will be busy writing a lot of letters.

OLD BUSINESS:

Concerning Report on Cove Pond Dam

MR. KUCZO said he wants to know what has been done about the report of the above special committee - that the Board was very specific in its recommendations and what has been done?

THE PRESIDENT said that it was turned over to the Steering Committee and he remembers it was referred to the Public Works Committee. He asked Mr. Buchanan if he remembers.

MR. BUCHANAN replied he does not remember it being referred to the Public Works Committee.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded, and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12.15 A.M.

Velma Farrell
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Administrative Assistant

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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 P. M.

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