

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 1, 1969
ORGANIZATION MEETING
11th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

In compliance with Section 304.5 of the Charter of the City of Stamford, an Organization Meeting of the Eleventh Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, December 1, 1969 in the meeting room of the Board of Representatives, 2nd floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street.

The meeting was called to order after a Caucus, at 8.30 P.M. by Mayor Julius Wilensky.

INVOCATION was given by Rabbi Alex J. Goldman, Temple Beth El

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

ROLL CALL was taken by Mrs. Farrell, Administrative Assistant. All members were present.

OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED TO BOARD MEMBERS NOT SWORN IN AT THE INAUGURAL CEREMONIES EARLIER IN THE DAY:

MAYOR WILENSKY administered the oath of office to all Board Members who were not previously sworn in this morning at the Inaugural Ceremonies at the Rippowam High School.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEMPORARY TELLERS:

MAYOR WILENSKY appointed two Temporary Tellers: GERALD J. RYBNICK (D) and GEORGE RUSSELL (R).

PAGE SERVICE - THOMAS LOMBARDO of Fairfield University

MAYOR WILENSKY announced that Page Service is now available from Thomas Lombardo of Fairfield University. (applause)

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN:

MAYOR WILENSKY called for nominations for Temporary Chairman.

MR. PUETTE presented the name of JACK RICH (R), his colleague from the 18th District, in nomination for Temporary Chairman. Seconded by several members. (No seconder needed). There being no further nominations, the Mayor declared the nominations closed. CARRIED unanimously.

MR. RICH was thereupon declared the Temporary Chairman and assumed the chair.

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ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CLERK:

MR. RICH called for nominations for Temporary Clerk.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT placed the name of BOOTH HEMINGWAY (R) 19th District, in nomination for Temporary Clerk. There being no further nominations, the Chairman declared the nominations closed. CARRIED unanimously, with the Secretary casting one ballot in favor.

MR. HEMINGWAY, Temporary Clerk, assumed his duties.

ADOPTION OF RULES OF ORDER:

MR. RICH said he would now entertain motions for the adoption of the Rules of Order, which have been sent to all members.

MR. RICH said the rules may be amended at this point by a majority vote, but will take a two-thirds vote later on to amend the rules.

MR. BROMLEY MOVED for changes in the number of members of the Standing Committees on page 4 under "COMMITTEES" which amendment to the rules was seconded and CARRIED. Paragraph 1 was changed to read:

1. There shall be the following Standing Committees: Changed to: Formerly

(a) Fiscal -----	9 members	unchanged
(b) Legislative & Rules -----	9 "	6 members
(c) Appointments -----	7 "	5 "
(d) Public Works -----	9 "	8 "
(e) Health & Protection -----	7 "	6 "
(f) Planning & Zoning -----	5 "	6 "
(g) Parks & Recreation -----	7 "	unchanged
(h) Personnel -----	5 "	"
(i) Steering -----	15 "	"
(j) Education, Welfare & Government -----	5 "	"

MR. MORRIS proposed that there be created a new Standing Committee to be known as the "SEWER COMMITTEE" and to consist of 7 members. Seconded by Mr. Russbach and CARRIED.

THE CHAIRMAN called for a vote to adopt the rules as amended. There being no objection, the rules were adopted with the above changes.

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT OF 11th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES:

THE CHAIRMAN called for nominations for President of the Board.

MR. ELLSWORTH nominated CHARLES J. HEINZER, III (R) for President of the 11th Board of Representatives. He said Mr. Heinzer has served this Board with distinction for the past two terms and has demonstrated

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by, not only his words, but by his actions that he understands the problems of the City of Stamford, as well as the problems of the Board of Representatives. Seconded by Mr. Bitetto, Mr. Horner and Mr. Russbach.

MR. TRUGLIA nominated GEORGE V. CONNORS (D) for President. He said Mr. Connors has been a member of the Board of Representatives since 1949; was President of the Board for 1953-1957, Acting Mayor for 4½ years, 1953-1957, has Chaired many committees since his original election and at the present time has just completed 20½ years of service as a member of the Board - ten continuous terms and at the present time is serving his second term as a member of the State Legislature. Seconded by Mr. Miller.

It was MOVED, seconded and CARRIED that the nominations be closed.

THE CHAIRMAN explained that contained in our Rules of Order is a rule which says that voting for this purpose and all purposes at the Organization Meeting, shall be by ROLL CALL VOTE. He asked if this is clear to all the members. He said since the full Board is present tonight, we must have a majority of at least 21 voting for one candidate or the other.

MR. BROMLEY said he wishes to make a correction - that a simple majority vote carries.

THE CLERK called the roll, which resulted in a tie vote and 2 abstentions - 19 votes for each candidate, as follows:

VOTING FOR MR. CONNORS:

- BIEDER, Richard (D)
- BOCCUZZI, John (D)
- BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
- CONNORS, George (D)
- COSTELLO, Robert (D)
- DIXON, Handy (D)
- DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
- DONAHUE, Alphonsus (D)
- DURSO, Robert (D)
- GURIOIAN, Armen (D)
- KELLY, Stephen (D)
- LIVOLSI, Frank (D)
- MALLOY, William (D)
- MILLER, Frederick (D)
- MURPHY, William (D)
- PENSIERO, Joseph (D)
- RAVALLESE, George (D)
- RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
- TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

VOTING FOR MR. HEINZER:

- BITETTO, Joseph (R)
- BROMLEY, Robert (R)
- ELLSWORTH, Stephen (R)
- EXNICIOS, Robert (R)
- HEINZER, Charles (R)
- HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
- HORNER, Watson (R)
- LUPINACCI, Charles (R)
- MORRIS, Thomas (R)
- PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
- PUETTE, William (R)
- RICH, John (R)
- ROOS, John (R)
- RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)
- RUSSELL, George (R)
- SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
- SHERER, Sidney (R)
- SHERMAN, Edith (R)
- VARNEY, Kim (R)

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ABSTENTIONS:CAPORIZZO, William (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)

MR. MORRIS MOVES that another roll call vote be taken. Seconded. This resulted in a tie vote - 19 in favor, 19 opposed, with 2 abstentions.

MR. TRUGLIA requested a 5 minutes recess at this time which was granted. (8.45 P.M.)

THE RECESS was declared over at 8.52 P.M. and the members resumed their seats.

MR. TRUGLIA MOVED that the nominations for the Presidency of this Board be re-opened. Seconded by Mr. Miller and CARRIED.

MR. CONNORS submitted the name of FRANK LIVOLSI (D) in nomination for President.

THE CHAIRMAN asked Mr. Truglia if Mr. Connors' name is to stay in nomination also. Mr. Truglia replied that Mr. Connors wishes to withdraw his name.

MR. RUSSBACH asked what the status is regarding the nomination of Mr. Heinzer.

THE CHAIRMAN informed the speaker that Mr. Heinzer's name is still in nomination and the election is now between Mr. Heinzer and Mr. LiVolsi.

MR. TRUGLIA MOVED that the nominations be closed. CARRIED.

THE CLERK called the roll, which resulted in 21 votes in favor of Mr. Heinzer and 19 votes in favor of Mr. LiVolsi, as follows:

VOTING FOR MR. LIVOLSI:BIEDER, Richard (D)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
CONNORS, George (D)
COSTELLO, Robert (D)
DIXON, Handy (D)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
DONAHUE, Alphonsus (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
GUROIAN, Armen (D)
KELLY, Stephen (D)VOTING FOR MR. HEINZER:BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
ELLSWORTH, Stephen (R)
EXNICIOS, Robert (R)
HEINZER, Charles (R)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
HORNOR, Watson (R)
LUPINACCI, Charles (R)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)

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VOTING FOR MR. LIVOLSI:

LIVOLSI, Frank (D)
MALLOY, William (D)
MILLER, Frederick (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
PENSIERO, Joseph (D)
RAVALESE, George (D)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

VOTING FOR MR. HEINZER:

PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
PUETTE, William (R)
RICH, John (R)
ROOS, John (R)
RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)
RUSSELL, George (R)
SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
SHERER, Sidney (R)
SHERMAN, Edith (R)
VARNEY, Kim (R)

THE CHAIRMAN declared MR. CHARLES HEINZER President of this Board.
(applause)

MR. HEINZER now took the Chair as President of the 11th Board of Representatives.

MR. HEINZER said he feels as if he is seated on a giant stagecoach with the reins of Forty Wild Horses in his hands. He thanked the members for the honor bestowed upon him. He said he is truly grateful and will do his utmost to be worthy of the honor of this Presidency. He spoke briefly and said as the President he charges the Board with these responsibilities: Serve your committees well; bend every effort to be as well informed as possible on the legislation that comes before the Board; strive to attend every committee and board meeting that you should attend; respect the honest efforts of your colleagues on this Board. He said the Board has the opportunity to earn the reputation of being the finest Board ever to serve the City. He said he dedicates himself to that goal and invites the members to join him and extended his best wishes to the members, and again, his grateful thanks.
(applause).

MR. CHIRIMBES left at this time and the Clerk reported that 39 members are now present.

APPOINTMENT OF PERMANENT TELLERS:

THE PRESIDENT announced the appointment of two Tellers and two Alternate Tellers, as follows:

TELLERS

RUSSELL, George (R)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)

ALTERNATE TELLERS

SHERMAN, Edith (R)
LIVOLSI, Frank (D)

ELECTION OF PERMANENT CLERK:

THE PRESIDENT called for nominations for permanent clerk of the Board.

MR. BITETTO placed the name of MRS. LOIS PONT-BRIANT (R) 20th District Representative, in nomination as Clerk. (No seconder needed).

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MR. TRUGLIA placed the name of FRANK LIVOLSI (D), 7th District, in nomination as Clerk. (No seconder needed)

There being no further nominations, the nominations were declared closed.

THE CLERK called the roll, which resulted in 20 votes for Mrs. Pont-Briant and 19 votes for Mr. Livolsi, as follows:

VOTING FOR MR. LIVOLSI:

BIEDER, Richard (D)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
CONNORS, George (D)
COSTELLO, Robert (D)
DIXON, Handy (D)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
DONAHUE, Alphonsus (D)
DURSO, Robert (D)
GUROIAN, Armen (D)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
LIVOLSI, Frank (D)
MALLOY, William (D)
MILLER, Frederick (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
PENSIERO, Joseph (D)
RAVALLESE, George (D)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

VOTING FOR MRS. PONT-BRIANT:

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
ELLSWORTH, Stephen (R)
EXNICIOS, Robert (R)
HEINZER, Charles (R)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
HORNER, Watson (R)
LUPINACCI, Charles (R)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
PUETTE, William (R)
RICH, John (R)
ROOS, John (R)
RUSSBACG, Daniel (R)
RUSSELL, George (R)
SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
SHERER, Sidney (R)
SHERMAN, Edith (R)
VARNEY, Kim (R)

MRS. PONT-BRIANT assumed her duties as Permanent Clerk of the Board.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY ACTING MAYOR:

MR. BROMLEY nominated GEORGE RUSSELL (R), 17th District, for Deputy Acting Mayor.

MR. TRUGLIA nominated FREDERICK MILLER (D), 3rd District, for Deputy Acting Mayor.

There being no further nominations, the nominations were declared closed.

THE PRESIDENT announced that there are now 40 members present, Mr. Chirimbes having returned.

THE CLERK called the roll, which resulted in 21 votes being cast in favor of Mr. Russell and 19 in favor of Mr. Miller for the post of Deputy Acting Mayor, as follows:

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VOTING FOR MR. MILLER:

BIEDER, Richard (D)
 BOCCUZZI, John (D)
 BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
 CONNORS, George (D)
 COSTELLO, Robert (D)
 DIXON, Hendy (D)
 DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
 DONAHUE, Alphonsus (D)
 DURSO, Robert (D)
 GURIOIAN, Armen (D)
 KELLY, Stephen (D)
 LIVOLSI, Frank (D)
 MALLOY, William (D)
 MILLER, Frederick (D)
 MURPHY, William (D)
 PENSIERO, Joseph (D)
 RAVALLESE, George (D)
 RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
 TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

VOTING FOR MR. RUSSELL:

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
 BROMLEY, Robert (R)
 CAPORIZZO, William (R)
 CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
 ELLSWORTH, Stephen (R)
 EXNICIOS, Robert (R)
 HEINZER, Charles (R)
 HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
 HORNER, Watson (R)
 LUPINACCI, Charles (R)
 MORRIS, Thomas (R)
 PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
 PUETTE, William (R)
 RICH, John (R)
 ROOS, John (R)
 RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)
 RUSSELL, George (R)
 SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
 SHERER, Sidney (R)
 SHERMAN, Edith (R)
 VARNEY, Kim (R)

MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS:

THE PRESIDENT announced the names of the Majority and Minority Leaders, as chosen by their respective parties:

MAJORITY LEADER: THOMAS MORRIS (R)
MINORITY LEADER: ANTHONY TRUGLIA (D)

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER: ROBERT BROMLEY (R)
ASSISTANT MINORITY LEADER: FREDERICK MILLER (D)

MR. MORRIS MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES in order to elect a replacement on the Board of Finance, to replace Mr. Aretakis, who has resigned to become the new Commissioner of Finance. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. MORRIS presented the name of JOHN T. D. RICH (R) in nomination to fill the vacancy on the Board of Finance created by the resignation of Mr. Aretakis.

MR. CONNORS moved that the Secretary cast one ballot in order to make the election of Mr. Rich unanimous. MR. RICH was elected as a member of the Board of Finance by unanimous vote.

MR. TRUGLIA requested a 10 minute Recess at this time, which was granted.

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The members resumed their seats at 9.30 P.M.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

THE PRESIDENT announced the following Committee assignments:

PERSONNEL BOARD OF APPEALS AND ALTERNATES:(Above in accordance with Sec. 204.3 of Charter, as amended by
Special Act No. 281, 1957 Session of Legislature)
(The President serves as member and as Chairman)PERSONNEL BOARD OF APPEALS:(R) Charles J. Heinzer III, Chairman
(R) Thomas A. Morris
(R) J. Robert Bromley
(D) George Ravallese
(D) George V. ConnorsALTERNATES:(R) Robert Exnicios
(R) Stephen Ellsworth
(D) Frederick Miller
(D) Joseph PensieroFISCAL COMMITTEE (9 Members)(R) Booth Hemingway, Chairman
(R) Lois Pont-Briant
(R) William Puette
(R) William P. Caporizzo
(D) John J. Boccuzzi
(D) Theodore J. Boccuzzi
(D) George V. Connors
(D) Gerald J. Rybnick
(R) VacancyAPPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (7 Members)(R) Daniel R. Russbach, Chairman
(R) Watson M. Horner
(R) Joseph S. Bitetto
(R) Robert B. Exnicios
(D) Armen Gurofian
(D) Robert H. Costello
(D) John J. BoccuzziLEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE
(9 Members)(R) J. Robert Bromley, Chairman
(R) Edith Sherman
(R) Stephen R. Ellsworth
(R) Watson M. Horner
(R) Peter P. Chirimbes
(D) Frank W. LiVolsi, Jr.
(D) Richard A. Bieder
(D) William D. Murphy
(D) William F. Malloy, Jr.PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (5 Members)(R) Lois Pont-Briant, Chairman
(R) Kim Varney
(R) Stephen R. Ellsworth
(D) George Ravallese
(D) Robert H. CostelloPUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (9 Members)(R) Edward K. Scofield, Chairman
(R) Joseph S. Bitetto
(R) Robert B. Exnicios
(R) Charles A. Lupinacci
(R) Sidney M. Sherer
(D) Robert M. Durso
(D) Edward P. Dombroski
(D) William F. Malloy, Jr.PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE
(5 Members)(R) Watson M. Horner, Chairman
(R) Robert B. Exnicios
(R) John H. Roos
(D) Armen Gurofian
(D) Robert DursoHEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE
(7 Members)(R) George E. Russell, Chairman
(R) Charles A. Lupinacci
(R) William H. Puette
(R) Robert B. Exnicios

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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

(D) Theodore J. Boccuzzi

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

(7 Members)

(D) Stephen E. Kelly, Chairman
 (R) Peter P. Chirimbes
 (R) Kim Varney
 (R) Stephen R. Ellsworth
 (R) Charles A. Lupinacci
 (D) George Ravallese
 (D) Alphonsus J. Donahue

SEWER COMMITTEE (7 Members)

(New Committee)

(R) Joseph S. Bitetto, Chairman
 (R) Daniel R. Russbach
 (R) Edward K. Scofield
 (R) William H. Puette
 (D) George Ravallese
 (D) Richard A. Bieder
 (D) Gerald J. Rybnick

THE FOLLOWING ARE SPECIAL COMMITTEES:URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE (5 Members)

(R) Peter P. Chirimbes
 (R) Kim Varney
 (R) Booth Hemingway
 (D) William D. Murphy
 (D) Robert H. Costello

PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE (7 Members)

(D) Handy Dixon, Chairman
 (R) John H. Roos
 (R) Lois Pont-Briant
 (R) Peter P. Chirimbes
 (R) Edward K. Scofield
 (D) William D. Murphy
 (D) John J. Boccuzzi

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE

(D) Stephen E. Kelly
 (D) Handy Dixon
 (D) Gerald J. Rybnick

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT

(5 Members)

(D) Frederick E. Miller, Chairman
 (R) John H. Roos
 (R) Edith Sherman
 (R) Sidney M. Sherer
 (D) Richard A. Bieder

TELLERS

(R) George E. Russell
 (D) Gerald J. Rybnick

ALTERNATE TELLERS

(R) Edith Sherman
 (D) Frank W. LiVolsi, Jr.

C-DAP COMMITTEE (5 Members)

(Community Development Action Plan)

(D) William D. Murphy, Chairman
 (R) Sidney M. Sherer
 (R) Lois Pont-Briant
 (R) Vacancy
 (D) George V. Connors

HOUSE COMMITTEE:

(D) Gerald J. Rybnick, Chairman
 (R) Kim Varney
 (R) Edith Sherman

STEERING COMMITTEE (15 Members)

(R) Charles J. Heinzer, III, Chairman
 (R) Thomas A. Morris
 (D) Anthony D. Truglia

STEERING COMMITTEE (CONT'D)

(R) Lois Pont-Briant
(R) Booth Hemingway
(R) J. Robert Bromley
(R) Daniel Russbach
(R) Watson M. Horner
(R) Edward K. Scofield
(R) George E. Russell
(D) Stephen E. Kelly
(D) Frederick E. Miller
(R) Joseph S. Bitetto

Concerning Possible Vacancy Created by Election of John Rich as a Member of the Board of Finance as replacement for Mr. Aretakis, who has been appointed as a member of the Mayor's "Cabinet"

MR. TRUGLIA rose on a point of information. He questioned the right of Mr. Rich to sit as a member of this Board after having been elected a member of the Board of Finance tonight by this Board earlier in the meeting.

THE PRESIDENT said Mr. Rich has not yet been sworn in, so therefore he is still a member of this Board until he has been sworn in as a member of the Board of Finance.

MR. TRUGLIA asked if this means that he is a dual job holder?

THE PRESIDENT said he is not, because he has not yet been sworn in and taken the oath of office.

MR. TRUGLIA asked if we can then interpret this as conflict of interest.

THE PRESIDENT said we cannot, and that is the ruling of the Chair and that he is still a member of this Board until he resigns.

MR. TRUGLIA said there is definitely something very much amiss here, and he wishes to challenge the RULING OF THE CHAIR.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote to uphold the ruling of the Chair.
LOST.

MR. RICH said in order to avoid further embarrassment, he will withdraw to the back of the room.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:

THE PRESIDENT announced that the first meeting of the Steering Committee will be held immediately after the adjournment of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

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There being no further business to come before the Board, upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 9.45 P.M.

Velma Farrell
Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:
Charles J. Heinzler III
Charles J. Heinzler, III, President
11th Board of Representatives

NOTE: The above meeting was broadcast over Radio Station WSTC