

MINUTES OF THE 11th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT
Meeting of September 7, 1971

A regular Monthly Meeting of the 11th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Tuesday, September 7, 1971 in the Board's Meeting Room, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The Meeting was called to order by the President, Charles J. Heinzer, III, at 9 P.M. after a caucus by the respective parties.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Claude L. Peters, 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 36 present and 4 absent.

The absent Members were: Richard F. Comerford, Jr. (D) 7th District
Theodore Boccuzzi (D) 9th District
Richard A. Bieder (D) 11th District
L. Reed Clark (R) 14th District

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE - 1970-1971 fiscal year: (In accordance with
Section 303.1 of the
Stamford Charter.)

The Majority and Minority Leaders escorted Mayor Julius M. Wilensky to the podium at this time.

MAYOR JULIUS M. WILENSKY presented his Annual Message. For the reason that all Board Members were furnished with copies, it is not included in the Minutes.

CHECK OF VOTING MACHINE:

THE PRESIDENT conducted a check of the voting machine and it appeared that No. 9 was in need of repair. However, it was temporarily repaired until a permanent repair can be made.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of July 12, 1971
Meeting of August 2, 1971

The Minutes were accepted, with a correction to Page 7949 of the August 2, 1971 Meeting - third paragraph which now reads: "MR. CHIRIMBES said in his opinion -- they were told there were 275 signatures that are not questioned. He said in his opinion they feel this is adequate."

MR. CHIRIMBES said he wished to make the following correction, which is what he wanted to say: "I said, in my opinion, I HAD enough signatures - I did not mean that the 275 were enough. My Committee knows that 300 signatures were needed and George Russell clarified it in a following paragraph".

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The reading of the Steering Committee Report was waived and appears below:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT
Meeting held Monday, August 23, 1971

A meeting of the Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives was held on Monday, August 23, 1971, in the Republican Caucus Room of the Board.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and President, Charles J. Heinzer, III, at 8 P.M.

The following people were present: Charles Heinzer, III, President and Chairman, Frederick Miller, L. Reed Clark, Gerald Rybnick, Handy Dixon, George Russell, Robert Exnicios, Peter Chirimbes, Thomas Morris, Jack DeForest, Steve Kelly, John Roos, John Boccuzzi and John Breese.

The following matters were acted upon:

(1) Additional Appropriations:

For the reason that the Board of Finance is also meeting tonight, it was decided to order all items approved by them on the September agenda. However, the following item was APPROVED by that Board at their meeting held August 20th:

\$62,883.42 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To cover anticipated deficit in CAFETERIA PROGRAM for the fiscal year 1970-1971 -
(Increased \$883.42 from the previous request which was DENIED by the Board of Representatives at their August 2, 1971 meeting)

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under FISCAL COMMITTEE - Also referred to the EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

(2) Concerning Method of Hiring a new Superintendent of Schools

MR. MORRIS requested that the Legislative & Rules Committee investigate the above matter. ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE.

(3) Concerning Road Improvements being included in the figuring of Contracts

MR. MORRIS asked that the above matter be referred to the Public Works Committee.

(4) Increased Cost of Sewer Installation in certain cases

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI asked that the Sewer Committee look into why two family houses are being taxed as two separate units.

. ORDERED ON AGENDA under SEWER COMMITTEE

Minutes of September 7, 1971(5) Concerning Ambulance for the North End

There was considerable discussion on the above matter. Some Members said they felt that in the event of an accident, the City would be responsible because the ambulance was lettered "City of Stamford" on both sides and there was a question as to whether it was a privately run, non-profit service. It was stated that Civil Defense wants to start up an ambulance service, full time, but have no ambulance.

ORDERED ON AGENDA under HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE

(6) Final adoption of Ordinance "TO PROVIDE PRIORITY FOR FAMILIES DIS-
PLACED BY URBAN RENEWAL AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ACTION IN NON-PROFIT
SPONSORED HOUSING" - (Adopted for publication 8/2/71; published
8/6/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(7) Proposed Ordinance "CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN THE
CITY OF STAMFORD AND LEE H. GRAY, ET AL" -- (Mayor's letter 6/29/71)
(Held in Committee 8/2/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(8) Proposed Resolution "CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A FIVE MAN COMMISSION
ON MENTAL RETARDATION" for the City of Stamford - (See Minutes of
5/4/70, page 7272; 7/6/70, page 7376; 10/5/71, page 7495 and 1/11/71,
page 7612) - (Held in Committee 4/5/71, 5/3/71, 6/7/71, 7/12/71 and 8/2/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(9) Petition from residents of ARCHER AVENUE, requesting a CHANGE OF NAME
TO ARCHER LANE - (This requires an Ordinance)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(10) Request for Ordinance (under provisions of Section 12-81b of Conn.
General Statutes) GRANTING TAX EXEMPTION FOR STAMFORD DAY NURSERY
for property located on Palmer's Hill Road - (Covering approximately
\$798.90 in taxes on list of September 1, 1970 and September 1, 1971
which have not been paid) - (Requested in letter dated 8/17/71 from
Howard C. Kaplan, Attorney)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(11) Letter dated 8/6/71 from STAMFORD REFUSE MENS ASSOCIATION, complain-
ing of "INTOLERABLE SITUATION AT THE CITY DUMP"

ORDERED ON AGENDA under HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE

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- (12) Request for approval of AN ADDENDUM TO THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE STAMFORD POLICE ASSOCIATION by transferring \$57,172.91 being funds on hand in City's account created pursuant to Section 712.3 of the Charter be transferred to the Trusted Fund, to permit the Trustees of the Police Pension Fund to invest this, along with other funds in the Trust Fund -
(Mayor's letter of 7/19/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

- (13) Resolution Authorizing the filing of an application for State Assistance in order to undertake a program of Coordinated Housing Code Enforcement (Mayor's letter of 8/2/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under CDAP COMMITTEE

- (14) Resolution Authorizing the filing of an application for State Assistance in an amount not to exceed \$392,818.00 to enable waiver of payment in lieu of taxes, making social services programs possible in State Moderate rental projects (Oak Park MR-6, William C. Ward Homes MR-33, Vidal Court MR-55, Lawnhill Terrace MR-68 --
(Requested in Mayor's letter of 8/11/71)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under CDAP COMMITTEE

- (15) Resolution Authorizing the filing of an application with the State Department of Community Affairs in order to undertake a program of a Community Development Action Plan - (In order to continue CDAP for another year) - (Mayor's letter of 8/11/71)

The above matter was NOT ordered on the agenda. Several members expressed some fears because of a recent ruling by the Corporation Counsel (which appears below) that the opinion of the Board of Representatives in these matters will have no force and effect.

- (16) Copy of Corporation Counsel's opinion to Mayor in letter dated 8/19/71 as to whether or not the CTE and other City agencies, when making application for funds to the Commissioner of Community Affairs for State Assistance must first obtain prior approval from the Board of Representatives, and stating in his opinion it is not necessary, for the reason it is not called for in the specific State Statute -
(Section 8-207 (d) -- He also states that Resolution No. 688 adopted by the Board of Representatives 7/6/70, namely paragraph 11 of said Resolution, requiring prior approval of the Board, has no force and effect, as the Board has no power to amend State Statutes.

ORDERED ON AGENDA under COMMUNICATIONS

- (17) Letter from Corporation Counsel, dated 8/18/71 concerning recent appeal from decision of the Zoning Board concerning ATLAS CONSTRUCTION CO. VS CITY OF STAMFORD, advising that the law firm of Cressy, Melvin, Carter & Cookney has been retained to act as attorney for the Board of Representatives in this matter, inasmuch as the Board disregarded the advice given it by the Corporation Counsel

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Above noted and filed

- (18) Letter, dated 8/10/71, from Hawley Oefinger, Supt. of Communications, advising of notification received by his Dept. that the electric bill for light signal system at intersection of Route 104, Long Ridge Road and Terrace Avenue, will henceforth be paid by the City and not the State, which will increase our power bill substantially

Above noted and filed

- (19) Letter dated 7/29/71 from Eugene H. Gordon, labor negotiator, concerning his fees, and "setting the record straight" in this matter - (Letter addressed to both the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives)

Above noted and filed, with copies sent to President, Majority Leader, Minority Leader, Chairman of Personnel Committee and Chairman of Fiscal Committee.

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.

Charles J. Heinzer, III
Chairman, Steering Committee

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FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MRS. PONT BRIANT, Chairman, said the Fiscal Committee met September 2, 1971 with the following Members present: Mr. John Boccuzzi, Mr. Joseph Morabito, Mr. Gerald Rybnick, Mr. Bertram Friedman, Mr. Robert Exnicios and herself. She reported on the following matters:

- (1) \$5,000.00 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Code 195.5208 - Quintard Manor - To hire an Assistant Director (To be reimbursed by State Department on Aging) - (Mayor's letter of 8/6/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee met on this and approved it. CARRIED unanimously.

- (2) \$28,093.50 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - To provide clerical help necessary to relieve officers of necessity of typing reports and to provide recording equipment for telephoned or dictated reports to steno-typists - (Mayor's letter of 8/5/71 - Allocated as follows:

Code 530.0101 - Salaries -----	\$19,593.50
Code 530.2201 - New Equipment -----	8,500.00
	<u>\$28,093.50</u>

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MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. There was no report from the Health & Protection Committee, to whom this matter was also referred.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she feels that it is the obligation of the Health and Protection Committee to meet and not to shirk their obligations by holding this in Committee.

THE PRESIDENT said he would be willing to entertain a motion to take this item from Committee.

MRS. SHERMAN MOVED that this be taken out of the Health & Protection Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above two items. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

- (3) \$8,845.00 - Resolution No. 767 "AMENDING 1969-1970 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR PROJECT KNOWN AS POLICE DEPARTMENT - TRAFFIC LIGHTS TO UTILIZE APPROPRIATION FOR INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS AT 8 RAILROAD UNDERPASSES, AND APPROPRIATION OF AFORESAID AMOUNT THEREFOR - (Mayor's letter dated 7/20/71 to the Board of Finance)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said her Committee met with Mr. Hawley Oefinger, Supt. of Communications, who stated the need for the lighting at 8 railroad underpasses for safety purposes and the Committee approved the appropriation.

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the following resolution, subject to approval of the Planning Board, if required. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 767

AMENDING 1969-1970 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR PROJECT KNOWN AS "POLICE DEPARTMENT - TRAFFIC LIGHTS" TO UTILIZE APPROPRIATION FOR INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS AT 8 RAILROAD UNDERPASSES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,845.00

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the 1969-1970 Capital Projects Budget, known as "POLICE DEPARTMENT - TRAFFIC LIGHTS" to utilize appropriation for the "INSTALLATION OF ELECTRIC LIGHTS AT 8 RAILROAD UNDERPASSES", namely: Greenwich Avenue, South Street, Elm Street, Hamilton Avenue, Canal Street, East Main Street and South Street-Guernsey Street intersection, in the amount of \$8,845.00 and the utilization of aforesaid sum therefor.

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- (4) \$75,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - Code 510.0516, Methadone Maintenance Program - (To be received from State Dept. of Mental Health as a grant for continuation of the Methadone Maintenance Program -- (Mayor's letter of 8/9/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said they interviewed Dr. Gofstein on this and it is a very worthwhile program and that 69% of the people now on Methadone are holding down jobs and are able to function very well. She MOVED for approval. Seconded.

MR. KELLY read a letter addressed to the State Department of Mental Health (undated but received 9/7/71) from a Member of the Methadone Maintenance Program at the Stamford Health Department. He asked that the letter be referred to the Health & Protection Committee to look into the statements made in the letter.

MR. MORRIS said he is the Chairman of the Special Committee on Drug Abuse. He said he has talked with Dr. Gofstein who has said he would like any Member of the Board of Representatives to come down to the Health Department and he will be glad to show them the operation of the Methadone Program. He said this is a very successful program and these people go to work every day and the program is a good one.

MRS. SHERMAN said she is sure that any program would be bound to have critics and she happens to be one of those who took the trouble to go down and see the program in operation. She said she saw men go in there, drink their little glass of orange "juice" and go right back to work. She said this program is doing a fabulous job for the City.

MR. RUSSELL spoke in favor of Dr. Gofstein's Methadone Program, and that he has been there on several occasions and watched it in operation and he thinks the doctor is doing an outstanding job.

VOTE taken on the motion to approve the above item. CARRIED unanimously.

- (5) \$8,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - Code 510.0101, Salaries - In order to employ an additional Public Health Nurse in connection with expansion of the Methadone Maintenance Program - (Mayor's letter of 8/13/71)

The above matter was held in Committee.

- (6) \$300.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH - Code 510.0920 - Gifts & Donations - (Received as a gift for the purchase of a tape recorder) - (Mayor's letter of 7/13/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above item. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

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- (7) \$19,500.00 - Resolution amending 1969-1970 Capital Projects Budget, for Project known as "LAND BANK ACCOUNT FOR STREET WIDENING" to use unexpended money in that account for the purpose of constructing a WEIR ALONG THE WASHINGTON BOULEVARD RIVERWALK, near foot bridge to Scalzi Park, close to south end of River Walk - (Mayor's letter of 8/11/71 written only to Board of Finance)

The above matter was held in Committee, as they would like to have the Planning Board approve this before taking action.

- (8) \$29,300.00 - Resolution No. 768 amending 1971-1972 Capital Projects Budget to be known as "ROAD IMPROVEMENT - BARNCROFT ROAD" and appropriation of aforesaid amount for said project, with \$12,970.00 of said amount to be assessed to property owners on Barncroft Road - (Mayor's letter of 7/19/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said in accordance with prior Resolution No. 763 adopted by this Board on July 12, 1971, the Committee approved this item. She MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 768

AMENDING 1971-1972 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING THERETO A PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,300.00 TO BE KNOWN AS "ROAD IMPROVEMENT - BARNCROFT ROAD" WITH \$12,970.00 OF SAID AMOUNT TO BE ASSESSED TO PROPERTY OWNERS ON SAID ROAD, UNDER PROVISIONS OF SEC. 640 OF CHARTER.

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the 1971-1972 Capital Projects Budget by adding thereto a project in the amount of \$29,300.00 to be known as "ROAD IMPROVEMENT - BARNCROFT ROAD", and appropriation of aforesaid sum therefor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives that \$12,970.00 of the amount so requested is to be assessed against the property owners on Barncroft Road under the provisions of Section 29.50 and Section 640 of the Stamford Charter.

- (9) \$176,000.00 (REDUCED from original request of \$320,500.00) - Resolution No. 769 amending 1971-1972 Capital Projects Budget by adding thereto project in above amount, to be known as "NEW EQUIPMENT" (Bucket loaders and Bulldozers) and appropriation therefor - (Mayor's letter of 8/5/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Breese who said the Public Works Committee concurs.

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RESOLUTION NO. 769

AMENDING 1971-1972 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING THERETO PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,000.00 TO BE KNOWN AS "NEW EQUIPMENT" (Bucket Loaders and Bulldozers), PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, and appropriation therefor

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the 1971-1972 Capital Projects Budget by adding thereto a project in the amount of \$176,000.00 to be known as "NEW EQUIPMENT - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS" and appropriation of aforesaid sum therefor, in order to purchase two four-in-one Bucket Loaders, Rubber Tires, one and one-half two yard buckets and two Loader Dozers, four-in-one bucket, two-third yard buckets.

(NOTE: The Board of Finance deferred action at their 9/2/71 Executive Session on the balance of the above request, (\$144,500.00) covering an additional 4 in 1 Bucket Loader @ \$31,500.00 and 2 Loader Dozers @ \$56,500.00, awaiting a more detailed explanation from the Public Works Department.)

- (10) \$33,701.50 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - For "Exemplary Program in Career Assessment Program" - (Funds received by City from State as Federal funds for above program) - (Letter dated 8/11/71 from Miss Helen Tobin, Acting Supt. of Schools)

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED.

- (11) \$271,987.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - (To be received from State as 100% prepaid State funds under State Aid for Disadvantaged Children to continue S.A.D.C. Project 135-1, "Educational Services for Disadvantaged Pupils" for fiscal year 1971-1972 - (Letter dated 8/11/71 from Miss Helen Tobin, Acting Supt. of Schools).

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED.

- (12) \$18,588.48 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - (Has been received from State as Federal funds under Title III, N.D.E.A., for Educational T.V. Equipment, Audio Visual Equipment and Reading Program Equipment and Materials - (Letter from Miss Helen Tobin, Acting Supt. of Schools)

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MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED.

- (13) \$6,587.00 - PENSION for Deputy Fire Chief Charles Skiba, effective September 18, 1971, based on annual pension of \$8,386.00, or 56% of his annual salary of \$14,975.40 - (Mayor's letter of 8/13/71)

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (14) \$40,000.00 - STAMFORD HOUSING AUTHORITY - Code 178.5203 - Southfield Co-op. - (Mayor's letter of 8/13/71) - (Original request- \$51,720.70)

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for approval of the amount of \$40,000.00 in order to sustain this program until December 31, 1971. She said the Committee met with people from the Southfield Neighborhood Co-op. and with Mr. Cuscuna from the Stamford Housing Authority. She said this amount will sustain them and they are working on other means of funding this program as of January 1, 1972. For the reason that the State is having problems with these funding programs, she said the Committee did not feel that the City should fund any programs that have been stopped because they did not wish to set a precedent at this time. However, she said they are looking for independent means of funding the program and she was assured by the President of the Southfield Co-op. that they could operate within the amount the Committee has approved with the understanding that they would not come back to us for future funding.

MR. DIXON seconded the motion and said as an individual he would like to speak in favor.

THE PRESIDENT asked the Speaker if his Committee, the Public Housing & General Relocation Committee, had met on this matter.

MR. DIXON said there has been no meeting.

THE PRESIDENT said it has been assigned to his Committee and there should be a report as it is over \$2,000 according to our rules.

MR..JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED to take this out of Committee. Seconded and CARRIED with one "no" vote.

MR. DIXON spoke in favor of reinstating the original request of \$51,720.70 and SO MOVED to amend Mrs. Pont-Briant's motion. Seconded.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT spoke in opposition. She said the Committee had approved the reduced amount of \$40,000.00 after considerable investigation and having been assured it would be enough to see them through to the end of the year.

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MR. GUROIAN said he had intended to speak against the \$40,000.00 but since it has been amended he will speak against the amendment to increase the appropriation.

MR. MILLER spoke in favor of the amendment.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked if this motion to amend fails, do we then go back to the original motion of \$40,000.00?

THE PRESIDENT said "this is correct".

MRS. SHERMAN said it is her understanding that the Housing Authority funded this through DCA up to this point and with the tight funds up state, there is a question now as to whether or not they will get any funding. She said she heartily concurs with the amendment.

MR. ROOS said this is a tutoring job and looking at it from the viewpoint of the Housing Authority they can hardly expect to get the equivalent work as out of a trained professional worker. He said these boys have to learn and he does not think it is the duty of the Housing Authority to have to pay them while they are learning. He said he is much impressed with what is being done because it gives these young men a chance to learn a trade and become professional workers.

MR. RUSSELL MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on Mr. Dixon's amendment. LOST.

THE PRESIDENT said the discussion is now on the original motion; to approve the reduced amount of \$40,000.00.

MR. MORABITO said he thinks we are setting a precedent by trying to take over the State's job, and it is not our responsibility.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said it looks as if the City is being asked to subsidize a program at Southfield Village with taxpayer's money from all over the City. He said he failed to hear any great outcry when we offered to subsidize the program at the Glenbrook Center. He said these nuns take under their "wing", children who have been suspended from school and are doing a very good job and it is not easy to try and teach children who have been suspended. He said this is a stop gap measure and feels that we should try to give them a helping hand.

MR. RUSSBACH objected and said we are setting a precedent and should not keep trying to take over these various projects when the State can no longer finance them.

MR. GUROIAN said he wanted to correct a misunderstanding and that is that the Glenbrook Center is open to the entire community and is not just a neighborhood center.

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After considerable further debate the President called for a vote on the motion to approve the appropriation of \$40,000.00. CARRIED with several "no" votes.

- (15) \$115,759.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received from the Federal Government in the form of a Grant under Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 for Project EEI-71-5005, "Problems of School Desegregation" - (Deferred by Board of Finance on 7/8/71, but approved 8/20/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said her Committee met on this, asked many questions, and will have further information available to them later. However, she said, the recommendations of her Committee is to recommend REJECTION. She said although this is funded by the Federal Government, guidelines were established in all areas and no changes would be allowed on the local level. She said the Committee feels that the guidelines as laid down by the Federal Government are not in the best interests of the City of Stamford, so the Committee rejected this appropriation.

THE PRESIDENT said there has to be an affirmative motion, because it requires a two-thirds vote and although the Committee recommends a rejection, it has to move affirmatively for the passage of this amount.

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Miller, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee recommends approval of this item and do not agree with the Fiscal Committee on this.

MR. MORRIS asked for the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee to read how this money is going to be used.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said this is a 13 month budget and not a 12 month budget. She read the following:

Program Director @ \$4,178.00
Advisory Specialist @ \$16,592.00
Clerk-Typist II @ \$7,000.00
Clerk-Typist (part-time) @ \$3,500.00
Employee Benefits - \$2,688.00

Fee Items:

2,680 participation days by the teachers in sessions, workshops @ -----	\$40,200.00
175 permanent task force days (to hire consultants, if needed) @ -----	4,375.00
80 program days (consulting) @ -----	8,000.00
10 round trips for consultants @ -----	1,000.00
80 per diem days for consultants @ -----	2,000.00
14 research days for temporary task force to pay consultants -----	350.00

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Fee Items (Cont'd)

Miscellaneous:

Program Director - Travel - Out of District -----	\$ 500.00
Program Director, Local per diem, 15 trips -----	375.00
Advisory Specialist, local travel -----	240.00
Out of District -----	500.00
Per diem days - 15 - Estimated -----	375.00

Other Costs:

Office supplies -----	750.00
Instructional supplies -----	1,206.00
Telephone -----	800.00
Postage -----	200.00
Report reproduction -----	180.00

MRS. PONT BRIANT said this was set up by the Federal Government and if we would eliminate or change any item, it would not be acceptable.

MR. MORRIS said this is typical of the Federal Government attempting to do something where you wind up padding a lot of jobs and making them political positions. He said he heartily agrees with the Fiscal Committee in voting to turn it down and he intends to vote against it.

MR. DIXON said he wants to ask a question - is this an attempt to have a training program for the teachers in the public schools?

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct.

MR. DIXON said he feels this kind of program is needed in Stamford as well as in other parts of the country, because we have had an influx of people from various parts of the country and at the same time have had new teachers come into this area from various parts of the country who have had very little or no experience in dealing with minority groups. He said if this program will tend to bring about better understanding and better relationships and a better means of communication between the teacher and the student, he thinks it is needed.

MR. RUSSBACH said, through the Chair, he would like to ask the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee to name the Administrators of the program she designated.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she understands that the program will be administered by the salaried employees who have not as yet been hired and there are 130 applicants for the positions. She said there is a permanent task force yet to be established, and a temporary task force which consists of 7 Members who are contacting people to make up the permanent task force and also are going to interview the applicants for the above jobs. She said she does have the names of the temporary task force, which she named as follows: Dr. Reardon, Mr. Glover, Mr. Varney, Mr. Grant, Mrs. White, Mr. Burke and John Brown.

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There being no further discussion, the PRESIDENT called for a vote on item #15, in the amount of \$115,759.00. LOST.

- (16) \$108,000.00 - Proposed Resolution amending 1970-1971 Capital Projects Budget by adding project to be known as "WESTHILL HIGH SCHOOL SITE, ST. LEO'S CHURCH PROPERTY, ROXBURY ROAD" and financing said project by the TRANSFER of above sum from Project known as "ELEMENTARY SCHOOL #3" - (Mayor's letter of 4/14/71)

and:

Resolution "AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION, BY CONDEMNATION, IF NECESSARY, OF PROPERTY ON ROXBURY ROAD OWNED BY ST. LEO'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH CORPORATION, AS ADDITIONAL LAND FOR THE SITE OF WESTHILL HIGH SCHOOL" - (Also incorporated in above Mayor's letter of 4/14/71)

(NOTE: Brought up at the 8/2/71 Board Meeting - See Pages 7935-7936)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said the Committee went up to the site on Sunday and the Fiscal Committee has attended something like ten meetings on this property.

SHE MOVED for approval of the appropriation of \$108,000.00 and said she has a combination resolution to introduce. Seconded by Mr. Miller who said his Committee met sometime ago on this matter and reaffirms it this evening. For the reason that the Members all have copies of the above resolution, she did not read it at this time.

MR. BITETTO said he wants to know exactly WHAT property the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee is talking about.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said it is the property on ROXBURY ROAD and WESTHILL HIGH. She said she has a map which everyone has previously seen.

MR. SHERER said this is becoming a habit - to bail out the Board of Education in many instances. He said we are being asked to condemn property at exorbitant prices and he opposes it because of the too high price.

MR. SCOFIELD said this gully is no good the way it is right now - let's fill it up and make a parking lot out of it.

MR. FRIEDMAN said he understands that that piece of property would be inadequate for the use to which the City wants to put it. In addition, he said, we have an auditorium at that new school and a gymnasium which will hold 4,000 people and the probability is that both of these units will be used at the same time in the evening, and if this is the case there will be cars parked all up and down Roxbury Road to everyone's disadvantage.

MR. MORRIS said he agrees with Mr. Sherer and that it seems these architects

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hired by the Board of Education seem to come up with not figuring for the sewer - the City had to pick up the tab. Also, they didn't have enough land and we had to buy three more acres. He said he has to agree with Mr. Scofield - if this other land has a gully then Stamford is in critical need of a land fill operation and if this is so then we can get the land cheaper and in six or eight months we would have this gully that he is talking about filled up which would take care of one of our problems.

MR. DURSO asked if this land is to be used for parking vehicles. He was informed that it is. He said if this is the case he knows that private industry and office buildings are paying approximately \$1 a day to park cars. He said at this rate it would cost them plenty if they have to rent parking facilities and in the long run it will probably be a saving to the City, because land keeps going up every day.

MR. RUSSELL said we should not be comparing this with prime residential property, because in the Ridges you can buy prime property for \$25,000 an acre and a rare piece of land perhaps \$30,000 an acre and this property is certainly not prime property.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote. LOST.

MRS. PONT BRIANT called for a division. Vote taken on voting machine. LOST by a vote of 11 in favor and 23 opposed.

MRS. PONT BRIANT deferred to Mr. Friedman at this time in order that he could bring up a resolution.

MR. FRIEDMAN presented the following resolution and MOVED for its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 770

CONCERNING INGRESS AND EGRESS ROAD TO AND FROM LONG RIDGE ROAD
AT SITE OF WESTHILL HIGH SCHOOL, TOGETHER WITH PROPER TRAFFIC
SIGNALIZATION AT SAID INTERSECTION

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, that it is the sense of this Board that to safely and effectively utilize the Westhill High School property, that the Board of Education of the City of Stamford proceed immediately to petition the State of Connecticut to allow both an ingress and egress road to and from Long Ridge Road and said Westhill High School site, together with proper traffic signalization at the intersection of said ingress-egress road and Long Ridge Road and to allow for both northbound and southbound traffic on Long Ridge Road, to enter and exit, so and from said ingress-egress road.

The above resolution was amended by Mr. Russell "to allow for proper widening".

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The resolution was seconded and CARRIED, as amended, by unanimous vote.

- (17) \$62,883.42 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To cover anticipated deficit in CAFETERIA PROGRAM for the fiscal year 1970-1971 -
(Requested in letter dated 8/20/71 from Benjamin R. Reed, Assistant Supt. for Business, Board of Education) -- (Note: This is increased \$883.42 from the previous request which was DENIED by the Board of Representatives on 8/2/71)

MRS. PONT BRIANT said this is to close out the 1970-1971 operation of the Cafeteria program and the period through August 31, 1971 and is to pay outstanding bills to vendors throughout the Stamford area for food, supplies, maintenance, equipment, Blue Cross and final ARA fees and are unpaid as of this date and are an obligation of the City of Stamford and have been included in establishing the tax mill for the coming year. She said it has nothing to do with the new school year starting September 8, 1971, but is for past obligations due and outstanding. SHE MOVED for approval of this request.

MR. MILLER seconded the motion and said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee also approves this.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said this is no longer an estimate, but bills that are due and must be paid, regardless of how we feel about the Cafeteria program or how it was run. He said he thinks we are obligated to approve this appropriation.

MR. BITETTO said the Charter says there shall be NO DEFICIT SPENDING. He said he would like to remind the Board Members that this is against Charter provisions. He said if all departments were to do this, the City would be in a terrible mess.

MR. RUSSBACH said this should be put in its proper perspective - the issue is bad management and continual deficits. He said the Board of Education has done nothing to alleviate these problems. He said this Board gave the Board of Education over Twenty-Million Dollars to operate the educational system in 1969-1970 and it is strange that we have to be used as a crutch to prop up bad management. He said those of us in the business world are well aware of the fact that no corporation permits department managers to run programs habitually in the red without taking drastic action which action would result in firing the manager and abolishing the program. He said we have to provide efficient management and to be cost conscious.

MR. GUROIAN said upon receipt of Mr. Nakian's letter which every Board Member has received, he took exception to one part which read: "If it turns out that the Cafeteria Program runs into the red, what is the crime?" He said that statement alone made him furious as a lowly taxpayer trying to eke out a living. He said that letter is a typical example of a

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philosophy which put the State of Connecticut into the red and simply means one thing: SPEND, SPEND, SPEND the people's money to support a program which is a colossal flop.

MR. CHIRIMBES said this same thing is happening all over the country and that is why school systems are going out for more business managers. He said the Board of Education has finally realized and have made an attempt to absorb as much as they have been able to.

MR. SCOFIELD said he thinks the Board of Education has proven they neither have the ability or the time to administer a Cafeteria program. He said he does not think the Board of Education has the time to try to administer this type of a program and it will have to be worked out in a more business-like way.

After considerable further debate, Mr. Roos MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

A roll call vote was requested. LOST by the following ROLL CALL VOTE of 19 in favor and 11 opposed: (Not enough votes to carry - needs a two-thirds vote which cannot be less than 21)

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOYLE, James (R)
BREESE, John (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
DeFOREST, John (R)
DIXON, Handy (D)
EXNICIOS, Robert (R)
FRIEDMAN, Bertram (R)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
MILLER, Frederick (D)
PONT BRIANT, Lois (R)
ROOS, John (R)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)
SCHADE, Richard (R)
SCOFIELD, Edward (R)
SHERER, Sidney (R)
SHERMAN, Edith (R)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)
VARNEY, Kim (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

BAUM, Arthur (R)
BITETTO, Joseph (R)
CAPORIZZO, William (R)
DURSO, Robert (D)
GUROIAN, Armen (D)
MORABITO, Joseph (D)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
PERILLO, Alfred (D)
RAVALLESE, George (D)
RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)
RUSSELL, George (R)

NOTE: President does not vote except in case of a tie.

MR. RYBNICK said this Board has spent large sums of money in order to purchase a voting machine which is very accurate and considering the lateness of the hour, it is ridiculous to go through a roll call vote. He said he fails to see why we can't use the voting machine and stop wasting everyone's time.

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MRS. PONT BRIANT said she is the one who asked for the roll call vote and perhaps it was ill advised. She said she is one of the Members who has never walked out on a meeting, having sat until the wee hours of the morning and has answered many roll call votes that other people have requested and feels the members should vote on the item and not the reason that she asked for a roll call vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. CHIRIMBES reported on the following:

- (1) Final adoption of Ordinance No. 223 - "TO PROVIDE PRIORITY FOR FAMILIES DISPLACED BY URBAN RENEWAL AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ACTION IN NON-PROFIT SPONSORED HOUSING"
(Adopted for publication 8/2/71; published 8/6/71)

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for final approval of the following Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Morabito and CARRIED unanimously:

ORDINANCE NO. 223 SUPPLEMENTALTO PROVIDE PRIORITY FOR FAMILIES DISPLACED BY URBAN RENEWAL AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ACTION IN NON-PROFIT SPONSORED HOUSING

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

Pursuant to Section 204 of the Stamford Charter, non-profit housing sponsors and developers shall observe a practice for according a priority for the occupancy of non-profit housing which is based upon the following tenant selection criteria:

Priorities for occupancy are to be accorded to families displaced by urban renewal and other governmental action, and tenant selection criteria shall apply in such a way as to give effect to considerations of income, family size, credit and such other considerations as may be required by federal law or regulation.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

- (2) Ordinance "CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND LEE H. GRAY, ET AL" - (Mayor's letter of 6/29/71) - (Held in Committee 8/2/71)

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for waiver of publication which was seconded and CARRIED.

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded and CARRIED:

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ORDINANCE NO. 224 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND
LEE H. GRAY, ET AL

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

In conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 2, Sections 2-24 through 2-27 inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the exchange of easements for sanitary sewers between the City of Stamford and Lee H. Gray and Patricia M. Gray, both of said City is hereby approved, vis:

Easement for sanitary sewers to be granted to the City of Stamford by Lee H. Gray and Patricia M. Gray:

"Easement Area equals 1,460 sq. ft." as shown on map entitled "City of Stamford amended map showing sanitary sewer easement to be conveyed to the City of Stamford, Conn. by Lee H. Gray, et al", February 1970, (certified "Substantially Correct", William D. Sabia, P.E., February 25, 1970, which map is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk of the City of Stamford, reference thereto being had.)

Easement to be released by the City of Stamford to Lee H. Gray and Patricia M. Gray:

Easement for sanitary sewer shown and delineated as "Easement Area equals 1,473 sq.ft." as shown on a certain map entitled "City of Stamford map showing sanitary sewer easement to be conveyed to the City of Stamford, Conn. by Thomas G. Newman, et ux", March 1968 (certified "Substantially Correct", William D. Sabia, P.E., March 19, 1968, which map is on file in the office of the Town Clerk of the City of Stamford as Map #8650, reference thereto being had.)

and is hereby authorized.

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 the right, title and interest of the City of Stamford to the hereinabove described premises.

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

- (3) Proposed Resolution "CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A FIVE MAN COMMISSION ON MENTAL RETARDATION" for the City of Stamford -- (See Minutes of 5/4/70, Page 7272; 7/6/70, Page 7376; 10/5/71, Page 7495 and 1/11/71, Page 7612) -- (Held in Committee 4/5/71, 5/3/71, 6/7/71, 7/12/71 and 8/2/71)

The above matter was held in Committee.

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- (4) Request for Ordinance (under provisions of Section 12-81b of Conn. General Statutes) GRANTING TAX EXEMPTION FOR STAMFORD DAY NURSERY for property located on Palmer's Hill Road - (This covers approximately \$798.90 in taxes on list of September 1, 1970 and September 1, 1971, which have not been paid) -- (Requested in letter dated 8/17/71 from Howard C. Kaplan, Attorney)

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for waiver of publication. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded and CARRIED with one "no" vote:

ORDINANCE NO. 225 SUPPLEMENTAL

GRANTING TAX EXEMPTION FOR STAMFORD DAY NURSERY FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON PALMER'S HILL ROAD (under provisions of Section 12-81b of Connecticut General Statutes)

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

Pursuant to Section 12-81b of the General Statutes of Connecticut, the property of The Stamford Day Nursery, an eleemosynary institution, acquired from Douglas Hamilton Alexander on September 23, 1969, located at Palmer's Hill Road, Stamford, Connecticut, to be used for its charitable purposes, be excepted from taxation on the Lists of September 1, 1970 and September 1, 1971.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

- (5) Proposed Ordinance (Requested in petition from residents of ARCHER AVENUE, requesting a CHANGE OF NAME TO ARCHER LANE)

MR. ROOS said this is quite an expensive matter - to change the name of a street and sees no urgent reason why this should be done.

MR. CHIRIMBES said he has a petition from the residents and as for the expense, he would defer to Mr. Russell on this.

MR. RUSSELL said we have to admit there is an expense in changing the name of a street and in the past the Board has been very careful about this sort of thing because of the expense involved. He said all the important people who must be notified of this change of name is done by the Clerk of the Board by letter to those involved.

MR. ROOS inquired about maps that have to be changed, etc. He asked "Why do they want this name changed?"

MR. CHIRIMBES said the reasons are contained in the petition he has before him from the residents, which he proceeded to read:

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"We feel that the present name does not fit our quiet neighborhood and that the name of ARCHER LANE would be more appropriate."

He said there are approximately 15 to 20 signatures on the petition. He urged approval of the Ordinance.

MR. CHIRIMBES MOVED for approval of the following Ordinance, waiving prior publication. Seconded and CARRIED with one "no" vote:

ORDINANCE NO. 226 SUPPLEMENTAL

CHANGING NAME OF ARCHER AVENUE TO ARCHER LANE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

The following street name shall be changed as follows:

From ARCHER AVENUE to ARCHER LANE

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

(6) Concerning Method of Hiring a new Superintendent of Schools

MR. MORRIS introduced the following resolution and MOVED for its approval. Seconded and CARRIED by unanimous vote:

RESOLUTION NO. 771

URGING THE CONNECTICUT STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED "DEAL" MADE BY A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE STAMFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION TO AN APPLICANT TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford urge the Connecticut State Board of Education to investigate the alleged deal made by a member or members of the Stamford Board of Education to an applicant who sought the vacant position of Stamford School Superintendent; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the position of School Superintendent shall not be filled until such time as the issue is properly determined.

(7) Concerning RECODIFICATION OF THE CHARTER AND CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES

MR. CHIRIMBES reported on the status of the above matter. He said the contract was signed and he will follow it up tomorrow to make sure it

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has been mailed to the firm who is to do the work.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:(1) Concerning road improvements being included in figuring of contracts

MR. BREESE said his Committee plans to meet with the Fiscal Committee in a week or so when they have a discussion on tax structure, so that they will be able to cover the above matter.

(2) Sidewalks in the Toquam School Area

MR. BREESE said at the last meeting Mr. Russell brought up the above matter. He said specifications have been drawn up and prices obtained and are now in the hands of the School Board. He said the sidewalks that they want constructed will cost about \$80,000 and all they have available is about \$20,000. He said they are thinking about sidewalks for Long Ridge, West Hill, Stillwater and he was unable to get an answer as to whether or not any work would be done this year at Toquam.

MR. RUSSELL said the Board of Education should plan for these sidewalks when the schools are being built.

(3) Flooding conditions on Minivale Road

MR. SCHADE said he and Mr. Boyle visited the area in question last Saturday, which was the third trip for both of them and found the conditions to be deplorable. He explained the problem - that one drainage situation affects the golf course and the other affects the residents. He said the Public Works Department is fairly well through with the drainage situation which affects the golf course and the second stage will be the problem facing Minivale Road. He said they are rather disappointed that the Public Works Department did not take care of the residents first.

MR. BREESE said it is his understanding that in about a week the Public Works Department will be down in the area that is the worst.

SEWER COMMITTEERe: Increased cost of sewer installations in certain cases

MR. BITETTO said he has a memo from George Connors, the Administrative Officer of the Sewer Commission in which he states that the unit method of assessment is based on the total number of units in an area benefitted by sanitary sewer construction, by dividing this figure into the construction costs and that the Sewer Commission's policy is to divide the total number of units into approximately 50% of the total cost. He said a unit would be a single family dwelling on a conforming lot in accordance with area zoning. However, he said a unit would be determined by what actually exists on the parcel at the time that the assessment is made.

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He said one assessment unit is assigned to one family residential dwellings while adjustments are made to gain an equitable share of the costs of industrial and multi-family residential units. In theory, he said the unit method is based on potential use.

Concerning Back-up of Sewage in the Shippan Avenue Area

MR. BITETTO read a letter which he had received from the City Engineer, in which he comments on the above matter. He said the letter states that the City had been ordered to eliminate the existing pollution in Long Island Sound by the State Water Resources Commission and the work was to be paid for by a 50% grant from HUD while F.W.P.A. would pay for 85% of the interceptor trunk sanitary sewer. He said the area was divided into four contracts and they planned to separate them into sanitary and storm sewers. Contract 1 is the main sewer, serving the entire area which was the first contract put out for construction. He explained the problem in great detail, reading from the letter. (Note: As he did not turn the letter over to the Secretary, the details cannot be printed in the Minutes)

MR. MORRIS said he thinks this is very poor engineering and does not know why we are paying the engineers to run storm drains into sanitary sewers, because the new pumping station down there failed three times which means that three times you are putting effluent out into the Sound untreated.

He said he has figured out that in the last three contracts given out there has been about Two Million Dollars worth of work, not related to sewers, which means that people in the A District and in the CS District are paying for capital and road improvements, etc. which are being charged to the Sewer Commission. He said he hopes that somebody will check on it and do something about it.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:(1) Acceptance of NEW ENGLAND DRIVE as a City Street

MR. DeFOREST MOVED for acceptance of the following as a City street.
Seconded and CARRIED:

NEW ENGLAND DRIVE: Extending northerly from already accepted portion to and including a temporary turnaround, as shown on Map No. 8691 on file in Town & City Clerk's office. Length: approximately 675 ft. Certified for acceptance by City Engineer in letter dated 9/7/71.

MR. DeFOREST said he would now like to defer to Mr. Sherer who wishes to present two resolutions.

MR. SHERER said these resolutions are both of the same form. HE MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring these resolutions on the floor. Seconded and CARRIED.

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- (2) Resolution No. 772 - Concerning Initiation of Direction for Improvement of the Unaccepted portion of BRANDT ROAD, pursuant to Chapter 64 of the Charter of the City of Stamford - (See Minutes of 11/10/69, Page 6094 - Introduced by Paul H. Plotnick, 16th District Representative and held for the next Board at that time - was never reintroduced)

MR. SHERER MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Varney and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 772CONCERNING IMPROVEMENT OF BRANDT ROAD FOR ACCEPTANCE AS A CITY STREET PER SECTION 29.50 OF CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES OF STAMFORD AND SECTION 640 OF THE STAMFORD CHARTER

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD:

That it is the opinion of the Board of Representatives that the public health, safety, welfare, convenience and necessity require the construction and layout of the highway known as Brandt Road in conformity with the specifications set forth in Section 29.50 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Board of Representatives, with the approval of the Mayor, to construct and lay out said highway together with any curbing, drainage or other incidental installations required to carry out said project pursuant to the powers granted it under Section 640 of the Charter of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to direct the department of public works to do the preliminary engineering work, including preparation of surveys, plans, profiles, specifications, and estimates of the total cost of the improvement and to submit a report thereon to the Commissioner of Finance who shall make estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken and of the amounts of the benefits or damages which should be assessed against or in favor of each piece of property affected; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to submit a report thereon to the Board of Representatives; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all of the cost of the work and improvements as aforesaid shall be assessed against the properties benefitted thereby; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and layout of said highway, curbing, drainage and incidental installations in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 64.

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- (3) Resolution No. 773 - Concerning initiation of direction for improvement of the Unaccepted portion of WARCHOL LANE pursuant to Chapter 64 of the Charter of the City of Stamford - (See Minutes of 11/10/69, Same as Resolution No. 772 above)

MR. SHERER MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by Mrs. Varney and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 773

CONCERNING IMPROVEMENT OF WARCHOL LANE FOR ACCEPTANCE AS A CITY STREET PER SECTION 29.50 OF CODE OF GENERAL ORDINANCES OF STAMFORD AND SECTION 640 OF THE STAMFORD CHARTER

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD:

That it is the opinion of the Board of Representatives that the public health, safety, welfare, convenience and necessity require the construction and layout of the highway known as Warchol Lane in conformity with the specifications set forth in Section 29.50 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Board of Representatives, with the approval of the Mayor, to construct and lay out said highway together with any curbing, drainage or other incidental installations required to carry out said project pursuant to the powers granted it under Section 640 of the Charter of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to direct the department of public works to do the preliminary engineering work, including preparation of surveys, plans, profiles, specifications, and estimates of the total cost of the improvement and to submit a report thereon to the Commissioner of Finance who shall make estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken and of the amounts of the benefits or damages which should be assessed against or in favor of each piece of property affected; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to submit a report thereon to the Board of Representatives; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all of the cost of the work and improvements as aforesaid shall be assessed against the properties benefitted thereby; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and layout of said highway, curbing, drainage and incidental installations in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 64.

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Concerning request for TRANSFER of administrative jurisdiction under provisions of Ordinance No. 144. from Public Works Department to the DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & TREES of extended portion of landfill area adjacent to and south of DYKE PARK - (Letter from Edward Connell, Supt., Dept. of Parks & Trees, dated 8/31/71)

MR. KELLY discussed the above request.

MR. MILLER said he supports the proposal to give that land to the Park Department, but would like to make the comment which he made before the Park Commission a couple of weeks ago. He said he has received many complaints from people on Elmcroft Road, who claim they have rats in their backyard which they didn't have before and have complained to the Health Department and to him about the smell. He said this landfill problem in that Dyke Park area has caused the suspension of the Board of Recreation playground programs for the past several summers - the beach there was destroyed and the promised swimming pool has never materialized. He said he would like the Park Department and Public Works and everybody concerned to bear in mind that this project should be finished as soon as possible and the people in the area are getting very tired of what they have had to put up with.

THE PRESIDENT said this is rather important; it being a matter that has not gone through the regular channels - referred to Committee by the Steering Committee. He said it should be held for the next meeting of the Steering Committee, or be brought up under suspension of the rules.

MR. KELLY MOVED for suspension of the rules to bring this on the floor.
LOST.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Request for approval of AN ADDENDUM TO THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE STAMFORD POLICE ASSOCIATION by transferring \$57,172.91 being funds on hand in City's account created pursuant to Section 712.3 of the Charter be transferred to the Trusted Fund, to permit the Trustees of the Police Pension Fund to invest this, along with other funds in the Trust Fund - (Mayor's letter of 7/19/71)

MR. ROOS said this is a transfer of funds from the old Pension Plan to the new Plan, in order to facilitate better investment and have one plan, to which his Committee agreed. HE MOVED for approval of the above matter.
Seconded and CARRIED.

CONCERNING REPORT OF POLICE AND FIREMEN PENSION ACTUARIAL STUDY

MR. ROOS presented the following report on the above matter:

Wednesday, August 25, 1971 I attended a meeting designed to acquaint us with the results of the actuarial studies of our police and firemen pension

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plans. Present were: Mr. Aretakis, the Martin E. Segal Co. representatives and myself.

Stamford pensions at a 50% salary level, every dependent the employee has - even sisters. Payable on death, after 15 years of service. This has been increased from 5% to 15% recently. As of June, 1971, the Police Department had as many survivors on pension as policemen..

In an actual service connected death survivorship, benefits go up approximately 30% above the 50% of salary.

Survivors of deceased pensioners automatically receive a pension of 50% until they die.

The 7% contribution of the base salary of the employee represents a small share of the total obligation this City has assumed.

The Segal Co. recommends that in addition to paying current pension obligations, the City's contribution be increased 13%, or a total of 20% of payroll, until 1974.

After 1974, the improved benefits go into effect, and in six years Stamford's contribution to both the Firemen and Policemen plan will have soared to approximately 38% of the payroll. This will compound as the salary increases and the years go on.

This is assuming a salary increase of 3% annually for the next ten years - which seems like an overly conservative estimate. A 3% salary increase hasn't been negotiated in a long time. However, at 3%, the salary will add up to an estimated \$17,000, or roughly, \$23,500 per man, when the pension is included.

The actuarial study assumes that the average retirement age will be 52 for policemen and 52-1/2 for firemen. It also assumes a life expectancy of 21.5 years additional at age 55.

TO SUM UP:

The actuarial study submitted by the Martin E. Segal Co. seems complete and comprehensive.

The proposed "FUNDING PROGRAM" as compared to the "PAY AS YOU GO" program, while not as politically palatable, is certainly more businesslike and economical.

It allows for future investment earnings; puts a price tag on future pension costs; lets our Labor Negotiators be better informed, permitting them to negotiate more realistically within policy guide lines.

Also, on the same basis, Stamford's legislators will be better informed.

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With a funding program, the City will be more fiscally responsible and pass on less of a financial burden to future generations.

It does seem that Stamford should reconsider its future pension costs and its present obligations.

Most pensions stop when the pensioner dies.

Some consideration might be given to increased employee participation in sharing of pension costs.

Survivorship costs should be carefully studied.

At long last, it seems that Stamford is going to have a funded pension program and those responsible are to be commended.

MR. RUSSBACH said he would just like to say: "I TOLD YOU SO!" He said at the time that a 7% contribution from the City and 7% from the employee, based on a 6% compound return would not properly fund the pension and it has proven to be right - the City is going to have to put more money in this - we got sold a bill of goods last time and now the people sitting on this Board are beginning to realize it. He said if this Board votes for another pension plan without knowing what the costs are, that you are out of your minds. He said we are going to get murdered by this plan and it has not decreased the deficit and we are going to keep on getting deeper and deeper into the red and every time they increase the pension benefits it is going to kill us. He said this is the worst plan that ever happened and this is proof of the pudding.

MR. MORRIS said he would like to remind Mr. Russbach that the figures given to this Board were given to us by the Commissioner of Finance, Mr. Aretakis.

MR. RUSSBACH said he did not have any figures when this Board voted on the pension plan.

MR. MORRIS said this Board was told that this would be the way that we would balance out the pension and he remembers that very distinctly and that is why this Board voted for it.

CDAP COMMITTEE:

MRS. PONT BRIANT said Mr. Murphy requested her to present the report.

- (1) Resolution Authorizing the filing of an application for State Assistance in order to undertake a program of Coordinated Housing Code Enforcement - (Mayor's letter of 8/2/71)
- (2) Resolution Concerning Authorization for Filing of an Application for State Assistance in an amount not to exceed \$392,818.00 to enable Waiver of Payment in lieu of taxes, making Social Services Programs possible in State Moderate Rental Projects: (Oak Park MR-6, William C. Ward Homes MR-33, Vidal Court MR-55, Lawnhill Terrace MR-68) - Requested in Mayor's letter of 8/11/71)

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The above matters were held in Committee.

MR. RUSSBACH said he would like to bring out one point - it is necessary to explain how the Base Line Report and the Master Plan wound up in Hartford. He said the Base Line Report and the updating of the Master Plan were part of the contract compliance. He said in Public Act 759 it specifically stipulates that all reference material pertaining to any program initiated must be sent to Hartford as part of the contract compliance. Point two - the Master Plan -- we received \$90,000. from the Department of Community Affairs to do the Master Plan study, and naturally they retained a copy of what they gave us the \$90,000. for and that is essentially how the Master Plan ended up in Hartford. He said all of this was in Hartford to begin with, long before we initiated the Resolution No. 688 and that is how it got up there. He said he will further elaborate on this next month when we have all of this confirmed in writing.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

MR. SCOFIELD said he has good news concerning Parcel 41. He said a communication was received today from Mr. James Hibben as follows:

"Jim McMahon, Hartford HUD (FHA), phoned at 10.15 A.M. today (September 7, 1971) and reported that his office expects to issue the firm commitment on the NEW HOPE PROJECT for the downtown Urban Renewal area by Friday of this week."

THE PRESIDENT said that is good news for the Members of this Board who voted for that parcel back four or five years ago and have been waiting ever since to see what would happen.

RESOLUTIONS:

Proposed Resolution Concerning CAFETERIA PROGRAM

MR. MILLER presented a proposed resolution on the above matter which was ordered held for referral to the Steering Committee.

OLD BUSINESS:


Concerning Low Cost housing site on Strawberry Hill

MR. MORABITO said he doesn't know if the Housing Site Development Co. knows it, but this site has been purchased by a private company and they are building luxury apartments there. He said he would like to know what happened to the money that this Board appropriated for that site, because according to the Charter, the money cannot be spent for anything else but that site.


THE PRESIDENT said we did not appropriate any money - just gave approval of the site.

Minutes of September 7, 1971ADJOURNMENT:

On motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12.45 P.M.


Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:


Charles J. Heinzer, III
President
11th Board of Representatives

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

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