

MINUTES OF MAY 12, 1972SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING OF 12TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVESStamford, Connecticut

A Special Meeting of the 12th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Friday, May 12, 1972, pursuant to a "Call" from the President, George V. Connors, in the meeting room of the Board, second floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:50 P.M.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk. There were 34 present and 4 absent at the calling of the roll. However, 5 members arrived later in the meeting, resulting in a final roll call of 39 members present. The absent member was William F. Rowan (R) 18th District.

CHECK OF VOTING MACHINE:

THE PRESIDENT conducted a check of the voting machine, which was found in good working order.

"CALL" OF MEETING:

THE PRESIDENT read the following "Call" of the meeting:

May 2, 1972

TO: All Members of 12th Board of Representatives

FROM: President George V. Connors

SUBJECT: "CALL" of Special Meeting to consider and act upon the CAPITAL and OPERATING BUDGETS OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT for the fiscal year 1972-1973

I, GEORGE V. CONNORS, President of the 12th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 202 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a SPECIAL MEETING of said Board of Representatives for:

FRIDAY, MAY 12, 1972

At the Municipal Office Building, Second Floor
429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut

at 7:30 P.M.

for the following purpose:

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To consider and act upon the CAPITAL and OPERATING BUDGETS for the Fiscal Year 1972-1973, as transmitted by the Board of Finance on Thursday, April 20, 1972 under Section 613 of the Charter.

GEORGE V. CONNORS,
President,
12th Board of Representatives

Statement from Board member Armen Gurorian (D) 7th District

MR. GUROIAN presented a statement, under suspension of the rules, in which he expressed his desire to go on record as being in favor of a drastic reduction of the Budget.

MRS. SHERMAN said as long as we are making statements relative to the Budget, she also wishes to state that although the home owners want the Budget reduced, they also demand more sewers, more and better parks, cleaner streets and better schools and adequate police and fire protection.

MR. MORABITO read a clipping from the Advocate on 4/26/72 concerning an address given to the New Canaan Lions Club by the Town Assessor Charles Morton who said if taxes are too high the only way to reduce them is not to spend at the same rate. He said in spite of numerous Budgetary cuts made last year, no one curtailed their spending.

MR. SHERER said he would advise that the city adhere to a policy of staying within its budget and the curtailment of emergency appropriations is the answer.

MR. RUSSEACH MOVED to get on with the business at hand. Seconded and CARRIED.

TO CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS for the fiscal year 1972-1973, as transmitted by the Board of Finance on Thursday, April 20, 1972

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. John Boccuzzi, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, to start on the Budget.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Fiscal Committee over the past three weeks has spent approximately 600 man-hours or better on both Budgets, plus the many hours members of the Fiscal Committee had spent on their own doing research work. He said the last figure was put in the Budget books last night, or rather, this morning, at 3 A.M. which was the time the Fiscal Committee stopped work. He said many items in the Committee's deliberations were cut by a very close vote and sometimes by a vote of 6 to 5. He said a lot of items were cut by small amounts and they took it line by line, reducing where they thought feasible, and allowing a 20% increase from last year in public utilities. He said they also took transfers into account when they made their cuts. He said the new rate this year - one mill is equal to \$1,162,000 or one tenth of the Grand List which is now over a billion dollars. He said the Fiscal Committee's efforts amounted to one and one-half mills.

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He asked Mrs. Pont-Briant, Co-Chairman, if she has any statement to make before starting action on the Budget.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she sanctions what Mr. Boccuzzi has said and that with a very minor exception, all members of the Committee were in attendance at all times. She said most departments adhered to the cuts made in their budgets last year. She said this had a purpose in the personnel cuts made last year, whereby we will obtain an evaluation system within the city whereby the conscientious worker is rewarded with a merit increase instead of everyone getting one. She said the budget is primarily made up of salaries and with a true evaluation system, you will have better results for the services for the people of Stamford.

CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1972-1973Page 3 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - SEWER COMMISSION:

1. Extension of Sewers South of Parkway -----\$4,630,000.00

MR. BOCCUZZI said there will be a continuing motion on the figures as presented by the Fiscal Committee and unless a motion is made and CARRIED the recommendations of the Fiscal Committee will be considered adopted.

MR. KNAPP MOVED this be reduced by two million dollars, to \$2,315,000.00. He said they still have not used \$2,400,000.00 left in this account and if they are given the amount requested, it will leave them with 6.7 million dollars they have yet to use in the Shippan area and they still do not have all of the easements that are needed to put in the first portion of it and are still going to need many more easements for what they are now requesting.

MR. HEINZER MOVED TO AMEND to cut out the entire amount of \$4,630,000.00. He said his reason is that during the last two or three years we have had large Capital Budgets and the answer has always been that this is bonded and we don't have to pay it right away. He said this year we have close to eleven million dollars of Operating funds that are going to Debt Service and if we accept this Capital Budget it may be up to fifteen million next year. He said we have to take a long hard look at these appropriations now, because we will be saving for many years to come.

MR. RUSSBACH seconded the motion to deny.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Knapp if he would accept Mr. Heinzer's amendment.

MR. KNAPP refused to accept the amendment.

THE PRESIDENT called for discussion on Mr. Heinzer's amendment.

MR. EXNICIOS objected to what he said was a ridiculous amendment. He said this will have no effect whatsoever on the mill rate for this fiscal year because the bonds will not be sold until next year at which time it will be put into the 1973-1974 Budget. He said this city must have sewers and if anyone does not believe this, they had better take another look. He said the State has mandated that we sewer the Shippan area and the longer we wait the more it is going to cost.

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MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI reminded the members that this project has to be done and also that we must build sewers because there is also a Federal law that we must adhere to.

MR. RUSSBACH said he withdraws his second to Mr. Heinzer's motion.

MR. EXNICIOS said it has always been the custom in the past to turn the Chair over to the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee who ran the meeting and is wondering why this was not done tonight and the President is still presiding.

THE PRESIDENT said the only reason he is presiding is because Mr. Boccuzzi has so much reading matter before him and has too much to do.

MR. TRUGLIA said he believes a seconding is in order and is there anyone who wishes to second the motion.

THE PRESIDENT said he will call for a vote on the motion as he does not believe the seconder can withdraw his seconding of the motion.

MR. HEINZER said if we look at Robert's Rules we will find that once a motion has been discussed, neither the motion nor the seconding may be withdrawn and we had had discussion.

MR. BOCCUZZI said Mr. Russbach withdrew his second and we are acting on a motion that has not been seconded. He said he believes that once a seconder has withdrawn there is no longer any motion on the floor. He said we have at least nine hours of work ahead tonight and he thinks the President should check this and get it straight before going ahead.

THE PRESIDENT said he thought we could expedite it by voting on it.

MR. BOCCUZZI suggested that he expedite it legally.

MR. TRUGLIA said we should not go any further unless we have clarification.

MR. KNAPP said if the motion is not in order then he would like to make a new motion.

MR. MORABITO read from Robert's Rules: "Once a motion has been made, seconded and stated by the Chair, it becomes the property of the group and cannot be withdrawn, except by general consent."

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct and is why he wants to take a vote on it.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Mr. Heinzer's motion. LOST.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he believes there is still another motion on the floor, which is the one made by Mr. Knapp to reduce this to \$2,315,000.00

THE PRESIDENT said this is correct.

After considerable further discussion, a VOTE was taken on Mr. Knapp's motion. LOST.

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The appropriation remained as originally presented by the Fiscal Committee.

2. Emergency Correction Account -----	\$100,000.00
3. Interceptors -----	2,400,000.00
5. Planning Funds - Newfield-Springdale Area -----	100,000.00
TOTAL APPROVED -----	7,230,000.00

Page 5 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - STORM DRAINS:

1. City Wide Storm Drains -----	\$ 75,000.00
2. Drainage Systems South of Parkway -----	150,000.00
3. Valley Road, Forest Street, Fenway Street -----	450,000.00

MR. HEINZER MOVED to DENY item #3 above. Seconded.

MR. MORABITO spoke against the motion. He said this is in his District and the people in this area have suffered with this problem for years and there is raw sewage backing up into cellars and oil burners have been ruined.

MR. FOX said he is in complete agreement with Mr. Morabito and since additions to the High School this area has been virtually under water and conditions are very bad.

VOTE taken on Mr. Heinzer's motion. LOST.

4. Cove Road - Seaside Avenue -----	\$ 59,000.00
5. Greenwich Avenue Area -----	100,000.00
6. Hamilton Avenue - Courtland Hill Street -----	33,000.00
TOTAL APPROVED -----	\$867,000.00

Page 7 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - HIGHWAYS:

1. City-Wide Resurfacing & Reconstruction -----	\$ 75,000.00
2. City-Wide Raised Manholes -----	15,000.00
3. Land Bank Street Widening -----	25,000.00
4. Atlantic Street Improvement - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
5. North Street Improvement - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	

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- 6. Bridge Street Widening - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
- 7. Stillwater Road Widening - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
- 8. South Street Improvement - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$115,000.00

Page 9 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - SIDEWALKS AND/OR CURBING:

- 1. Curbing - City-Wide ----- \$10,000.00
- 2. Sidewalks - City-Wide ----- 20,000.00
- 3. Board of Education - Sidewalks - REDUCED to ----- 50,000.00

MR. HEINZER MOVED to reinstate the above appropriation to the \$100,000.00 approved by the Board of Finance. Seconded.

MR. RUSSELL spoke in favor. He said you can't put up a school and have no sidewalks and for the safety of the children it is needed.

After further debate, the question was moved. VOTE taken on Mr. Heinzer's motion. LOST.

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$80,000.00

Page 11 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - NEW CONSTRUCTION:

- 1. Haig Avenue Site Improvement ----- \$20,000.00
- 2. New City Hall Site - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
- 3. Sanitary Landfill (East Branch Harbor) ----- 128,000.00
- 4. Solid Waste Disposal Site - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
- 5. Harbor Bulkhead East Branch ----- 222,000.00
- 6. Solid Waste Disposal (Recycling Plant) ----- DENIED

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- 7. Municipal Maintenance & Training Facility - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
- 8. Scofieldtown Land Improvement ----- 80,000.00
- 9. Dyke Park Improvement ----- 86,000.00
- 10. Rehabilitation of Town Hall ----- 31,000.00
- 11. Incinerator-Sewage Treatment Plant and Pumping Stations
Improvements ----- 126,200.00

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12. Incinerator - Conventional - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$693,200.00

Page 15 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - NEW EQUIPMENT:

1. New Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

Page 15 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - FLOOD AND EROSION CONTROL:

1. Cove Island Beach Improvement, City's Share, 3% Interest --- \$3,207.00

2. Cummings Park Beach Improvement ----- 1,100.00

3. Dredge Rippowam River - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

4. Setting Flood Encroachment Lines, Rippowam River --- 35,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$39,307.00

Page 19 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - STAMFORD-DARIEN WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT:

1. Secondary Sewage Treatment Plant ----- \$3,600,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$3,600,000.00

Page 21 - PARK DEPARTMENT:

1. Skating Rink ----- \$510,000.00

2. Horticultural - REDUCED to ----- 10,000.00

3. New Equipment ----- DENIED

4. Paved Parking Area - Lunching Ramp ----- DENIED

5. Re-Sanding Cummings Beach ----- 28,000.00

6. Access to Mianus Glen - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

7. Dredging - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

8. Bulkheading - East Side of Cove Island Marina - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

9. Skating & Fishing Pond in Rippowam River - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

10. Develop 9 acres of Parkland at Cove Island Mainland - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$548,000.00

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1. Road & Parking Area -----	\$ 9,000.00
2. Heating System, Improvements -----	10,000.00
3. Building Renovations -----	23,000.00
4. Court Games, Multiple Use Areas, Improvements REDUCED to -----	5,000.00
5. New Playgrounds, Improvements - REDUCED to ----	5,000.00
6. New Playfields, Improvements -----	5,000.00
7. Equipment for Recreation Buildings -----	10,000.00
8. Platform Tennis Courts - REDUCED to -----	15,000.00
9. Convert Third Building - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
TOTAL APPROVED -----	\$82,000.00

Page 25 - POLICE DEPARTMENT:

1. Traffic Lights - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
2. Traffic Light Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
3. Traffic Light Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
4. Traffic Light Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
5. Traffic Light Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
6. Traffic Light Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
7. Traffic Light Equipment -----DENIED

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED this item be DENIED. He said he thinks this is an unnecessary item this year. Seconded.

MR. RUSSELL said he disagrees with Mr. Russbach on this. He said he has heard serious complaints about the blinker light during peak periods when people are going to work around 7 to 8 A.M. He said because of the blinking system it is almost impossible to get out of Weed Hill into Newfield Avenue. He said the lights are there and why they cannot be connected is a mystery to him, but to just have them on blinking does not solve the problem of getting out of a street, just makes you stop and realize it is a bad corner, but you still have to fight your way out and with the Darien traffic and other areas of Springdale, that corner is a bad one.

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MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said Mr. Oefinger said that when they change the lights over and put in the new system they have a double light facing each side - in other words, if you have an intersection, you have eight lights and is mandated by the State.

VOTE taken on Mr. Russbach's motion to DENY No. 7. CARRIED by a machine vote of 19 yes and 17 no.

8. Traffic Light Equipment -----	\$ 5,000.00
9. Radio Communication - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
10. Radio Units (Motran) -----	4,250.00
11. Bucket Truck (T.S.D.) - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
12. Van (Radio Division) - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
13. Truck (Traffic Division) -----	4,800.00
14. Truck (Traffic Division) -----	4,900.00
15. Recorder -----	20,000.00
16. Develop Outdoor Range - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
17. K-9 Dogs -----	2,500.00
18. K-9 Kennels - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE	
TOTAL APPROVED -----	\$41,450.00

Page 29 - FIRE DEPARTMENT:

1. North End Station ----- DENIED

MR. BOCCUZZI explained the reason why the Committee denied the above is because they don't have a piece of property picked out yet and don't know what the cost is going to be and the Committee felt that just as soon as they find out where it will be located, they should come back and we will take up the matter again when a firm price is decided upon.

2. Construction of Fire Training Center -----	60,000.00
3. Modernization of Fire Alarm System -----	35,000.00
4. Renovation - South End and West Side Fire Stations--	47,000.00
5. Apparatus Replacement -----	85,000.00
6. Modernization of Radio System -----	10,875.00
Page 31 - TOTAL APPROVED -----	\$237,875.00

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1. Radios ----- \$ 2,500.00
2. 460 Megacycle Frequency Radio Equipment - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
3. Emergency Operations Center - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$2,500.00

Page 35 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

1. Addition to the Health Department, second story - \$246,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$246,000.00

Page 37 - WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

1. Addition to the Smith House ----- \$1,200,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$1,200,000.00

Page 39 - GOLF AUTHORITY:

1. Golf Course Maintenance Equipment - REDUCED to --\$7,500.00
2. Roadway & Cart Paths -----15,000.00
3. Planting for Fairway Buffers & Boundary Shields ----
DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
4. Painting & Glazing Buildings - REDUCED to ----- \$10,000.00
5. Contingencies for Golf Course - Drainage, Piping,
Fill, Etc. --- DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
6. Conversion of Building - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
7. Water Main for Fire Hydrants & Sprinklers -----20,000.00
8. Golf Carts - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$52,500.00

Page 41 - HUBBARD HEIGHTS GOLF COURSE:

1. Irrigation ----- \$50,000.00
2. Cart Paths ----- 7,500.00
3. Rebuild Greens ----- 10,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$67,500.00

Page 43 - THE FERGUSON LIBRARY:

1. Library Consulting Services ----- \$15,000.00
- TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$15,000.00

Page 45 - STAMFORD MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER:

1. Exhibit Cases ----- \$ 1,000.00
2. Studio Classroom ----- 1,850.00
3. Dead Trees and Branch Removal ----- 1,200.00
4. 16 MM Sound Projectors (2) ----- 1,200.00
5. IBM Selectric Composer ----- 4,820.00
6. Woodchuck Pit ----- 1,700.00

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7. Wolf Woods ----- 6,550.00
8. Enlargement of Theatre Parking Lot ----- DENIED
9. New Public Walk ----- 400.00
10. Aquatic Mammal Display, Preliminary Planning ----- 6,500.00
11. Aquatic Mammal Display Construction ----- 33,000.00
- TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$58,220.00

Page 49 - BOARD OF EDUCATION:

1. Stamford High Auditorium Modernization - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
2. Land Bank - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
3. Rippowam Bleacher Stands - Athletic Field- DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
4. Service & Maintenance Building ----- DENIED

MR. BOCCUZZI said the reason for denial of the above was no one knows at this stage where it is going to go and at the time they decide where they are going to build the Maintenance Building, the Fiscal Committee will look favorably upon it.

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5. Springdale School Multi-Media Center - Study,
Planning & Partial Implementation ----- \$15,000.00

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED to delete item #5 above. He said the result will be the elimination of the present wooden building and many people in Springdale are opposed to this and would like to keep it the way it is.

MRS. LAITMAN said she disagrees with the speaker, as this is the present day equivalent of a Library, as Ferguson Library will be dropping the Springdale School and these children are in desperate need of their own Library, as they would otherwise have to go to the main Library and Ferguson drops two schools each year. She said this is merely for the Library and not intended to destroy the wood building.

MR. BOCCUZZI said it is the Committee's understanding that this is definitely for a Library inside the school.

MR. RUSSBACH said in this event, he withdraws his motion to delete.

MR. HEINZER said he wants to go on record that he is still not satisfied with the West Hill parking lot or that the best site has been chosen considering the neighborhoods involved. He said last winter he thought he made it quite clear and believes the Minutes will bear him out, that he would not oppose this when it became summer time and we would be able to get in there and build a parking lot. He said he wanted those few months, hopefully, to try and convince school Board members that this was not the proper way to do it, but has been unsuccessful, having undergone some vilification in the press and all kinds of accusations were made. He said he wants the record to now show that he does support the parking lot and always has supported the idea of a parking lot and is glad that we are not cutting this tonight.

6. Window Replacement Project ----- \$125,000.00

7. Additional Land for West Hill High School ----- 108,000.00

8. Rogers School - DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$248,000.00

Page 51 - URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$3,133,906.00

MR. RAVALLESE MOVED to delete \$2,600,000.00 from the URC. He said he does not think they should be given an additional dime until they act in the best interests of the citizens of Stamford and not just serve commercial needs. He said all we have had is empty promises with nothing accomplished.

MR. KNAPP also spoke in favor of the above motion and seconded it.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said this money represents the City's share.

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MR. GUROIAN said he agrees with Mr. Ravallese.

MR. EXNICIOS spoke against the motion.

MRS. FORMAN spoke against the motion.

After considerable further discussion, Mr. Sherer moved the question. Seconded and CARRIED with a few no votes.

MR. HEINZER rose on a point of information.

THE PRESIDENT said the question has been moved.

MR. HEINZER said he has received information in the last couple of days that there has been drastic changes made in the Mall on Atlantic Street and now there is going to be a walking Mall at the third story and there will be two stories of parking all along the buildings obviating the need for some of the parking garages. He asked if anyone has heard anything about this.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Roos if he can answer this question.

MR. ROOS said he just heard it himself.

MR. TRUGLIA said Mr. Roos is the Chairman of the URC Committee and should be able to answer the members' questions.

MR. ROOS said you often wish you heard all these things, but as Chairman just how do you go about ferreting all of this out? He said he would welcome getting information such as this so they could have something to work on. He said if Mr. Truglia has information on things the Committee could work on, they certainly would appreciate it and as it stands, nothing comes up before the Steering Committee except a few items.

MR. SHERER said there is a motion on the floor and there should not be any debate.

MR. BOCCUZZI said if Mr. Heinzer knows that the URC contract has been changed in any manner, it has to come before THIS Board to have the change approved and then another contract will have to be signed and go to HUD and to Washington and there will not be any drastic changes made unless they first come to this Board.

MR. HEINZER said that is precisely why he asked the question.

MR. KNAPP said he wants to ask a question -- on page 50 of the Capital Projects Budget, it gives a breakdown of commitments. He said if you read this, you will see that this money is going for the building of parking garages.

MR. BOCCUZZI said no matter what it says, it represents our share and if they want to build garages with it, that is what they will do.

MR. SHERER said the question has been moved and it should have cut off debate a long time ago.

MR. RUSSBACH said he wants to have Mr. Heinzer's remarks entered officially in the record. The President agreed.

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THE PRESIDENT called for a VOTE on the motion as made by Mr. Ravallesse - to delete \$2,600,000.00 from the URC budget. LOST by a vote of 22 no and 12 yes.

TOTAL FOR 1972-1973 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET:PUBLIC WORKS:

1. Sewer Commission -----	\$ 7,230,000.00
2. Storm Drains -----	867,000.00
3. Highways -----	115,000.00
4. Sidewalks and/or Curbing -----	80,000.00
5. New Construction -----	693,200.00
6. New Equipment -----	DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCE
7. Flood & Erosion Control -----	39,307.00
8. Stamford-Darien Water Pollution -----	<u>3,600,000.00</u>

TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS ----- \$12,624,507.00

PARK DEPARTMENT -----	548,000.00
BOARD OF RECREATION -----	82,000.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT -----	41,450.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT -----	237,875.00
STAMFORD EMERGENCY SERVICE -----	2,500.00
HEALTH DEPARTMENT -----	246,000.00
PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT -----	1,200,000.00
STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY -----	52,500.00
HUBBARD HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE -----	67,500.00
FERGUSON LIBRARY -----	15,000.00
STAMFORD MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER -----	58,220.00
BOARD OF EDUCATION -----	248,000.00
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION -----	<u>3,133,906.00</u>

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS APPROVED ----- \$18,557,458.00

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NOTE: The total amounts for each Department will be given, and only in the case of items voted upon separately, will any specific item be mentioned in that particular Department's budget.

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Page 3 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS:

Code 102.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$34,090.20

MR. BOCCUZZI, Chairman, explained the reduction in the above account. He said this brings back the salary for the Registrars of Voters to their salary of last year - \$10,111.50.

Code 102.5105 - Primary Expense -----DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$85,485.20

Page 7 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Code 106.0104 - Overtime-meetings - REDUCED TO -----\$ 1,500.00

Code 106.0301 - Stationery & Postage - REDUCED to --- 2,000.00

Code 106.0404 - Official Notices - REDUCED to ----- 1,225.00

Code 106.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph - REDUCED to -- 450.00

Code 106.0803 - Travel & Special Committee Expenses-
REDUCED to ----- 400.00

Code 106.2201 - New Equipment - REDUCED to ----- 2,162.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$39,521.87

Page 8 - MAYOR'S OFFICE:

Code 108.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$75,189.00

MR. BOCCUZZI explained the reduction from the Board of Finance figure of \$77,356.00 by explaining that the salary for the Relocation Officer was REDUCED to \$9,833.00 and according to the Personnel Commission, they would like to have people starting in on a new job at a low step.

Code 108.0102 - Part-time help -----DENIED

Code 108.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph - REDUCED to -- 3,000.00

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Code 108.0801 - Transportation - REDUCED to -----\$ 5,000.00

Code 108.0901 - Special Professional Services-Mayor's
amendment, adding - \$50,000.00 ----- DENIED

MR. KNAPP MOVED to DENY the above item. He said this \$50,000.00 is a revolving fund for CTE and he will say tonight as he has said all along, that a revolving fund is setting a precedent. Seconded by many.

MRS. LAITMAN spoke against the motion.

MR. DIXON spoke against the motion.

MR. EXNICIOS spoke in favor of the motion for the reason he does not think the city should become a banking institution and banks are available and give reasonable rates.

MR. GUROIAN said he wants to decry the deceptive way in which this was put into the Budget and thinks the Administration should have put down in black and white that this is for the CTE and wants to thank Mr. Knapp for pulling the covers off this little "trick".

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Fiscal Committee knew this all the while and it was no trick, and the members got a letter of explanation as to what this amendment was.

MR. RUSSBACH agreed with Mr. Knapp and said it is very bad economic policy regardless of the cause, because we would be loaning money out to a non official city agency at interest free rates.

MR. MORABITO spoke in favor of Mr. Knapp's motion and said this would be setting a precedent.

MRS. FORMAN spoke against the motion and said it has no effect on the mill rate, because it is a loan.

MRS. SHERMAN said nobody was hoodwinked and it was perfectly clear what it was all about and we are not giving them anything, but are lending it to them.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he has to state the facts as they were presented to his Committee. He explained that CTE has the "head start" program, has the "Neighborhood Youth Corps" program, the "Police Community Relations" Program, "Alcoholic Recovery" Program and it was stated to the Committee that cities such as Norwalk and Hartford contribute outright to the CTE organization - Norwalk contributes somewhere between \$50,000 and \$100,000 and Hartford contributes up to \$250,000 as direct gifts to this organization.

MR. ROSE spoke against the motion and pointed out the good this organization does.

After considerable further debate a VOTE was taken on Mr. Knapp's motion to DENY this appropriation. CARRIED to deny by a vote of 20 in favor and 18 opposed.

Code 108.0101 - Salary for Relocation Officer -----\$9,833.00

MR. EXNICIOS MOVED to DELETE the above salary and the reason he gave is that he believes that 90% of his work is for the URC, which is a vital function, but we have just given URC three million dollars which should be sufficient for them to hire a relocation officer and should be taken out of their appropriation and not out of the Mayor's budget.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT spoke against the motion. She said this gentleman has been handling relocation problems within the city for several years and doing a very excellent job and the position he has been filling is for Equipment Mechanic in the Public Works Department and it is about time it was all straightened out - we have had problems in relation to housing and have been refused funds because of lack of housing and are in a bind and finally we come up with an actual request for a relocation officer and there are job specifications out on it - the funds have been reduced to the low step in the salary schedule. She said there is much to gain by leaving this position in the budget and at such time as the housing problem is solved, then this job can be eliminated and this man can go back to his old job in the Public Works Department.

MR. HEINZER asked the speaker if we are removing one Equipment Mechanic II from the Public Works Budget to take care of this, now the job has been placed in the Mayor's Budget.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said there was dissension in the Fiscal Committee on that. She said there will be a test for this job and if the test is not passed, then this person will not get the job. She said they feel it is about time this gentlemen had a chance and that is the reason for establishing the position of Relocation Officer.

MR. KELLY said he thinks this man has done an outstanding job and he is in favor of it remaining in the Budget.

MR. CAPORIZZO MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on the motion to DENY the salary for the Relocation Officer. A machine vote was taken and LOST by a vote of 15 in favor and 23 opposed.

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$107,364.00

Page 13 - DEPARTMENT OF LAW:

Code 110.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$91,729.27

Code 110.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ----- 750.00

Code 110.0901 - Special Professional Services
REDUCED to ----- 20,000.00

Code 110.1401 - Rental of Equipment - REDUCED to ---- 3,220.00

The Committee recommended approval of the figure as presented by the Board of Finance for the salary account, namely, \$104,357.27. The above figure under Code 110.0101 is the final approved figure for this account.

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MR. RUSSBACH MOVED to DELETE the sum of \$12,628.00. He said the Budget shows 2 Assistant Corporation Counsels at individual salaries of \$12,628.00 or a total figure of \$25,256.00. He said for the reason that this is part-time help there is very little supervision or accountability as far as time allocation goes.

The speaker was told there must be a seconder before he can speak on the motion.

Seconded by Mr. Exnicios.

MR. RUSSBACH spoke in favor of his motion and said we have often run into many instances within this department where, because of the lack of expertise in certain areas, it has been necessary that they go out and hire special counsel for certain purposes. He said no one really knows how much time these people spend on the job for which they derive a salary of \$12,628.00 and thinks the city is lacking in this area of having specially qualified counsels. He said he believes there should be more accountability, which we do not now have as has been when the city has paid out many thousands of dollars for outside professional help. He said until he is furnished with a breakdown in detail as to time allocation, job function and qualification, he would move to delete that item.

THE PRESIDENT informed the speaker his time was up.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the previous speaker made remarks about "accountability" and the amount of time being put in the Fiscal Committee was assured by Mr. Bromley that he is keeping a good check on the part-time lawyers and expects them to put in at least four hours a day and tries to stagger them so at least one lawyer will always be in the office. He said, of course, if a lawyer happens to be in Court defending the City, that counts towards his time spent on City work.

MR. SHERER said there must be more accountability within the scope of the Corporation Counsel. He said he has called the Corporation Counsel on many occasions and in the morning it's too early and in the afternoon it's too late. He said he believes they should at least keep one attorney on call at any given time.

MR. RUSSELL said he does not want to be misinterpreted when speaking about the quality of the Legal Department, because most of these men are highly qualified. He said he has to agree with Mr. Russbach on the fact that he called himself and apparently it happens that you have called too early or called too late and it is not uncommon to call and be unable to speak to anyone. He said with five attorneys in that office there should at least be one available.

MR. ROOS suggested it might be better to have two full time Assistant Corporation Counsels rather than four part time ones.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that is not the question.

MR. TRESSER said you can't get full time lawyers to work for the salary they pay now. He said he always got service from this department whenever he needed it.

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MRS. SHERMAN MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded by Mrs. Varney and CARRIED.

MRS. PONT BRIANT requested clarification of the question.

THE PRESIDENT said a motion was made by Mr. Russbach to DELETE \$12,628.00 from the salary account, and called for a VOTE on the question. CARRIED.

MRS. PONT BRIANT called attention to Code 110.0901, Special Professional Services. She said this reduction eliminates Counsel to the Board of Representatives, because he is being used on other matters other than those for the Board of Representatives. She said it was their intent when they voted to have Counsel for the Board, that he be available for Steering Committee meetings and for Board meetings and to look up information at other times. She said she would like to have a clarification of this and so would the Fiscal Committee and that is the reason they (the Committee) deleted the sum of \$10,000 for the Counsel to the Board of Representatives. She said it is hoped that a Committee can come up with recommendations and concrete rules for Counsel for the Board, perhaps on a monthly retainer or something like that, because this man is now almost working full time for the office of the Corporation Counsel doing many other things not connected with work for the Board of Representatives.

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$162,489.27

MR. FOX rose on a point of information and asked for Mr. Russbach to correct him if he is wrong. He said it is his understanding that we deleted one of the salaries for an Assistant Corporation Counsel at \$12,628.00. He asked if there is any designation as to which Counsel's salary was deleted.

MR. RUSSBACH said that decision is up to the Corporation Counsel.

MR. FOX said he has another question and asked if Mr. Russbach is aware that these are Civil Service positions.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said they are Civil Service non-contractual.

Page 17 - TOWN AND CITY CLERK:

Code 112.0102 - Part-time help - REDUCED to ----- \$3,000.00

Code 112.0901 - Special Professional Services
REDUCED to ----- 8,000.00

Code 112.1107 - Maintenance of Indices -
REDUCED to ----- 15,000.00

Code 112.1401 - Rental of Equipment -
REDUCED to ----- 1,800.00

Code 112.5104 - Election Expense - REDUCED to ----- 6,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$146,403.59

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Code 113.1001 - Drug Liberation Program -
Revolving Fund -----DENIED

Code 113.2104 - Dues - City contribution
(20% City's share) -----\$50,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$50,000.00

MR. FRIEDMAN said he wished to speak for the minority on the Committee. HE MOVED to reinstate this Revolving Fund, with an amendment that all of these funds are to be returned to the City on or before December 31, 1972. Seconded.

MR. FRIEDMAN said the city is starting to make progress in this serious area and there are Grants that will probably be granted to the City on June 1st and it will take three to four months for these Grants to actually manifest themselves in the way of dollars that can be utilized and if the City does not see fit to give a revolving fund to Drug Lib. the serious part of our program will not be started until October 1972 and should be started by July 1st.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the City has been given a Grant of \$562,500 for Drug Lib. and the amount the government will give the city is \$450,000 and we are putting up 20% of that, or \$50,000. He said the problem is that Drug Lib. will have to stay at a status quo for approximately six months because they don't have the money in their hands right now and what they want to do is to start the program right away and not waste four or five months, and when the Grant is received by the City, they will reimburse the city \$90,000.00

MRS. SHERMAN spoke in favor of the motion.

VOTE taken to reinstate the \$90,000.00. LOST by a vote of 13 in favor and 24 opposed.

Page 21 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE:

Code 114.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$111,849.56

MR. BOCCUZZI explained that the reduction there is the salary for the Commissioner of Finance, which is brought back to what it was last year - \$19,498.56.

MR. EXNICIOS MOVED not to cut the Board of Finance figure and that it remain at \$112,926.00. Seconded. He spoke to his motion and said to get a man with expertise you must pay him a decent wage. He said previous Commissioners of Finance treated it as a part time job, and held down other full time jobs on the side. He said our present Commissioner of Finance, at the direction of the Mayor, is a full time Commissioner of Finance. He compared the salary with that of other heads of departments.

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MR. TRUGLIA seconded the above motion. He said in all the years he has been on this Board and tried to reach certain city officials and was not too successful, he can say that since Mr. Aretakis has been Commissioner of Finance he can say without hesitation that this gentleman has always been available, and he is one of our better Commissioners of Finance and is a dedicated man and has proven himself and one of the things this City needs is fiscal responsibility and he is the man who can do it. He said he believes that we should show our appreciation for a job well done by going along with this motion.

MR. RUSSELL said he agrees with Mr. Truglia and that a full time job should be worth just a little more and it would be impossible to replace a man with this expertise at a figure less than this.

MR. HEINZER said before we get involved in something that is illegal, he would like to bring this to everyone's attention -- Section 480 of the Charter says that the Commissioner of Finance should be the head of the Department of Finance and responsible for the administration thereof -- there shall be TWO BUREAUS of the department - the Bureau of Accounts and Records and the Bureau of Purchases. He said if you will turn to page 25 of your Budget, you will see that no request has been made for the Bureau of Accounts and Records - it has been wiped out and all of those salaries have been placed under the budget for the Commissioner of Finance. He said what we have here is an attempt to sneak through a Charter change. He said he thinks we should delete this whole thing and let it come back under the proper accounts and handle it next month. He said if we act on this tonight, we will be changing the Charter and we can't do it.

MRS. LAITMAN said she agrees with Mr. Heinzer and a ruling from the Corporation Counsel has been requested by the Board of Finance and to her knowledge, has not been received as of this date.

MR. HEINZER said if Mr. Exnicios will withdraw his motion, then he will make a motion to DELETE the whole amount, because he thinks that is what we have to do.

MR. EXNICIOS said he will NOT withdraw his motion.

MR. TRESSER said Mr. Aretakis is a dedicated man and knows his business.

MR. COLASSO said he will go along with the motion if he amends it to \$21,000.00.

MR. RUSSBACH said if this Board will recall the furore last year over salary accounts and at that time there was an opinion from the Corporation Counsel. He said we are now talking about a specific salary and deleting that and referring to that. He said last year he got into a lot of hot water over that and he does not think you can do that and refer to a specific salary, because you must only delete from the entire salary account and not specific salaries and reference to any one job is not a very good practice.

MRS. PONT BRIANT rose on a point of information. She said if a person is an appointee, they are not governed by any rules such as a Civil Service employee is and you can then refer to that specific salary if you wish. She said the ones that were cut last year were Civil Service personnel which was entirely different.

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MR. MORRIS said he has listened with interest and it amazes him, because here you have the first FULL TIME Commissioner of Finance and you are cutting his salary, and he is a well qualified man. He said he is sure that if he wants to work half days ---- and we have had, in the past, Commissioners who used to commute to New York and nobody could ever get in touch with him and nobody knew what he was doing. He said he realizes this man has made a few enemies, because he HAS dug into some departments and tried to straighten them out and to go back to a part time Commissioner, we would be very foolish. He said the City has been very lucky to have a man with the energy and the know-how of Mr. Aretakis.

MR. ROOS said he would like to agree with what has been said so far and we have a very unusual and dedicated man who is doing a good job.

MR. HEINZER said he would like to MOVE to REDUCE the salary account to \$22,500.00 for the Commissioner of Finance and let that be the only salary left in the salary account, until

MR. BOCCUZZI said this motion cannot be made, as it cannot be raised from the cut that the Board of Finance made, which was \$20,575.00.

MR. HEINZER said he would then MOVE to leave it at \$20,575.00 for the salary of the Commissioner of Finance and DELETE everything else on the page until such time as we get this Charter thing straightened out. Seconded.

THE PRESIDENT called the speaker's attention to the fact that there already is a motion on the floor - Mr. Exnicios' motion.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Exnicios if he would accept the amendment.

MR. EXNICIOS said he will NOT accept the amendment.

MR. HEINZER said he will then make it as a separate motion.

THE PRESIDENT said this has to be treated as an amendment and voted upon separately before a vote is taken on the motion as made by Mr. Exnicios.

MR. RUSSBACH rose on a POINT OF ORDER. He said it is not a question of debate, but we have a LEGAL question here. He said the question of legality should be resolved by the Chair, or else we should request a ruling. He said he thinks that the question of legality takes precedence over all motions either before or after.

MR. EXNICIOS said once again he wishes to clarify his motion -- he said he is making a motion only regarding Code 114.0101 and asking that the salary for the Commissioner of Finance be left at the figure that was approved by the Board of Finance, namely, \$20,575.00. He said Mr. Heinzer's motion says "Do that, but hold the rest of the page." He said he feels that we can go on to the rest of the page after a vote is taken on his motion first and that is why he rejects Mr. Heinzer's motion.

MR. HEINZER said he wants to clarify that -- Code 114.0101 includes ALL of the salaries. He said he agrees with Mr. Exnicios that the salary for the Commissioner should be left at \$20,575.00 but that should be the ONLY salary under

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that Code number and all the other salaries should be DELETED from the salary account until we find out where they belong. He said all he is doing is to try and amend Mr. Exmicios' motion to read \$20,575.00 for the salary account which represents the Commissioner's salary.

MRS. PONT BRIANT, said as Co-Chairman, she would like to speak. She said this is really great when the Fiscal Committee has been meeting almost nightly for more than two weeks and nobody even picks up the phone and says "You guys are doing something illegal" at which time the Committee could have requested an opinion from the Corporation Counsel. She said the Board of Finance passed this and now we are quoting the Charter --- but just to remind the members -- the Charter also says that the salary for the Mayor shall be \$10,000 and other people should be paid a lot less than what they are not getting -- the Fire Chief, etc., and the Charter has not been up-dated as to salaries. She reminded the members that this Budget has to be filed with the Town Clerk on Monday and if you don't vote on the rest of this personnel in this salary account, are they then thrown out of the Budget and left without a salary? She said she does not know the legal ramifications of that and if the Board of Finance passed on this and requested a ruling from the Corporation Counsel, she would suggest that we do the same with a request for a ruling also attached, and tonight is not the time for this Board to try becoming legal counsels and interpret the Charter.

MR. HEINZER asked if Mrs. Pont-Briant is not trying to "interpret the Charter" when she says this.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said "no" but these are questions that nobody can answer now, so what we have to do now is follow procedure and then ask these questions and if it turns out to be illegal, we can be overruled.

MR. MILLER said earlier this evening we were cautioned that we should talk about the job and not the incumbent and that also applies to the Commissioner of Finance. He said this job is a position where the incumbent does serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

MRS. SHERMAN said she would like to ask a question --- did the Fiscal Committee raise the question that was just brought up?

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Committee did not.

MRS. SHERMAN said if we do what Mr. Heinzer suggests, would that mean that we have eliminated these jobs?

MR. BOCCUZZI said if we do what Mr. Heinzer suggests - what we would be doing is to eliminate all of the salaries for these jobs the first day of the 1972-73 fiscal year --- July 1, 1972.

MRS. SHERMAN said if we do nothing else, let's be sure and vote Mr. Aretakis salary in.

MR. FOX said he believes that if we fail to vote on these salaries tonight, they are not going to be reflected in the mill rate and they will not be in the Budget and they will have to come back for an emergency appropriation for these salaries.

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MR. HEINZER said you can put that amount aside and it can be reflected in the Budget.

MR. SHERER MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Mr. Heinzer's amendment first. He asked him to repeat his motion.

MR. HEINZER said his amendment is to approved \$20,575.00 for Code 114.0101 which is for Mr. Aretakis' salary and to DELETE the rest of the salary appropriations on that page until such time as we receive the proper information.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she wants to ask a question - the Charter says that there shall be a Bureau of Accounts and Records and a Bureau of Purchases. She said the Commissioner of Finance is in charge of both Bureaus, although on page 21 of the Budget the Bureau of Accounts and Records is not so classified as a "Bureau". She said the one on page 21 has the Controller on it and the Bureau of Purchases is on page 29.

MR. HEINZER said let us not be deceived by this.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he wants an affirmative vote from this Board RIGHT NOW that they will approve these salaries when and if they come back.

Someone said you cannot guarantee that.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that if this comes back as an emergency appropriation we will need a two-thirds vote to pass it and tonight all we need is a majority vote of those present and he just does NOT LIKE IT,

MR. HEINZER said he will agree to that.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he wants EVERYBODY to go for it.

THE PRESIDENT called for a VOTE on Mr. Heinzer's motion. A machine vote was taken - LOST by a vote of 13 in favor and 24 opposed.

VOTE taken on Mr. Exnicios' motion - to leave Code 114.0101, Salaries, at the Board of Finance figure of \$112,926.00. LOST by a vote of 16 in favor and 21 opposed.

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED to DELETE the sum of \$13,000.00 for Internal Auditor. He referred to page 14 under the heading "Finance" you will find \$12,000 salary for "Accountant-Auditor".

MR. BOCCUZZI said before the speaker goes any further, he wants to make a clarification. He said we do NOT hire EEA people to take jobs that are already in the City and if we have a vacancy, we do not fill it with an EEA person, but hire another person. He said the EEA is special and do not fill any jobs that are in the City Budget, and if we get into this "hang up" we lose it all.

MR. RUSSBACH said he did not say that - he said he wants to eliminate the job because we already have someone in here who is not doing the same job, but is called "Accountant-Auditor" and he would like to know exactly what that

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position covers in the Finance Department if it does not coincide with the job of Internal Auditor.

MR. SHERER said it seems that every time we get into a hassel we do not have any legal counsel working with the Board of Representatives or working with any of our Committees and it is imperative that somewhere along the line we had better find out where we are heading. HE MOVED to hold approval of this page until such time as we get legal counsel as to the legality of that which we are doing, which is eliminating the page covering the Bureau of Accounts and Records into the Commissioner of Finance' office. Seconded.

MRS. PONT BRIANT spoke against the motion. She said in reference to page 21, she would like to have a request go to the Corporation Counsel for a ruling to follow up the request made by the Board of Finance, as she does not think it is the intent of this Board to do anything illegal. And, in the second instance, if Mr. Russbach wishes to talk about the deletion of the job of Internal Auditor, he can do so, but he should not mention EEA, as Mr. Canning has told them that when Hartford hears that you are knocking out positions because of EEA, you can lose the entire Grant and we will lose all these people. She said you have a good reason to eliminate the job of Internal Auditor, based on work load, it is your prerogative, but not because of the fact that EEA people are now employed in that department.

MR. RUSSBACH said many people on this Board are asking the question -- exactly what IS the function of the EEA jobs? He said all he can see is that under Finance Department, the title of "Accountant-Auditor" at a salary of \$12,000. per year, an individual was hired for a specific purpose, and from his understanding, some of the functions of the present Internal Auditor are being usurped by this job and this is why he is requesting this job be eliminated and if this is not true, he wants to find out exactly what is the function of this "Accountant-Auditor".

MR. RUSSELL said he would like to point out that we can't do something illegal whether we think we can or not. He said if we are in violation of the Charter, it would not be proper and apparently the Board of Finance has asked for an opinion on this, but regardless of that fact, we can vote for the entire sum of all the salaries and just because we vote for the entire salary account does not mean that they automatically become one department and if it is in violation of the Charter, they will stay as two separate departments and the jobs will not be affected.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Russbach to re-state his motion.

MR. RUSSBACH said his motion under Code 114.0101 to eliminate \$13,000 for the job of Internal Auditor which is not Civil Service.

Someone asked if this motion has been seconded. THE PRESIDENT said it has not been seconded. They asked why we are talking about it if this is the case.

VOTE taken on Code 114.0101, Salaries in amount of \$111,849.56 and CARRIED.

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Code 114.0102 - Part-time help - REDUCED to -----~~\$4,220.00~~

Code 114.0801 - Transportation - REDUCED to ----- 50.00

Code 114.0901 - Special Professional Services,
REDUCED to =----- 50.00

Code 114.2101 - Conventions, Dues & Conferences,
REDUCED to ----- 350.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$129,512.46~~

Page 27 - BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS - DATA PROCESSING:

Code 117.0102 - Part-time help - REDUCED to -----~~\$2,000.00~~

Code 117.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ----- 3,000.00

Code 117.0301 - Stationery & Postage - REDUCED to -10,000.00

Code 117.5203 - Training School - REDUCED to ----- 1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$277,935.00~~

Page 29 - BUREAU OF PURCHASES:

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$70,830.00~~

Page 31 - STAMFORD MUSEUM:

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$178,000.00~~

Page 33 - FERGUSON LIBRARY:

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$1,393,687.00~~

Page 35 - CENTRAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT:

Code 126.0102 - Part-time help - REDUCED TO-----~~\$750.00~~

Code 126.0802 - Car Allowance ----- DENIED

Code 126.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions - REDUCED to -150.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----~~\$68,236.00~~

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Code 128.5704 - Veterans' Day - REDUCED to -----\$3,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$9,750.00

Page 39 - VETERANS' GRAVES COMMISSION:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$3,000.00

Page 41 - GENERAL INSURANCE:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$197,500.00

Page 43 - PLANNING BOARD:

Code 134.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions - REDUCED to -\$450.00

Code 134.2201 - New Equipment - REDUCED to -----1,350.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$93,205.00

Page 45 - SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING:

Code 135.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions

MR. KNAPP MOVED to DENY the entire item. Seconded. Machine VOTE taken and LOST by a vote of 17 in favor and 21 opposed.

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$5,700.00

Page 47 - BOARD OF TAX REVIEW:

Code 136.0301 - Stationery & Postage - REDUCED to -\$1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$4,500.00

Page 49 - REGIONAL LEGAL SERVICES:

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED to DENY this appropriation. He said this undermines everything the structure of government stands for. The taxpayers are subsidizing everything this stands for and they are taking our money to fund itself and going to Court many times against us -- in other words we are in double jeopardy --- we are funding this type of establishment to act our best interests and as a matter of fact a year or so ago Governor Reagan of California and the State Legislature abolished this completely throughout the State and had quite a few investigations of it because of the nature of

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radicalism within this Agency. Also, he said, if this Board recalls, we had this very same problem -- we have had the attorneys for the Regional Legal Services appear at hearings for every weird cause from A to Z which always seems to cost the taxpayers of this City a lot of money. Seconded by George Ravallesse.

MR. MILLER said he would like to have some specific instances of what Mr. Russbach is talking about.

MR. MORRIS said about a year ago this Board almost unanimously adopted in Ordinance, and the Regional Legal Services took our Ordinance to a Federal Court and they had someone that they were supposed to be representing who happened to be in Galveston, Texas and this group was definitely working against this legislative body.

MR. FOX said he has no knowledge of these instances, but does have personal knowledge of the work of these men in instances where they represent people who would never otherwise be able to obtain the services of competent Counsel, either by reason of their inability to pay, or by reason of the fact that most lawyers are so overburdened that they don't have the time to devote to people who are unable to compensate them. He said from his point of view they serve a valuable function and whether or not some of their work is politically oriented, he will not comment on, but the bulk of their work is not politically oriented and does a tremendous service to the poor in this community.

MR. MILLER said the idea behind legal services is to create a better system of justice by making it possible for the low income person to be represented by Counsel in Court and if one of their clients happens to have a case that goes against what this Board does, it is unfortunate. He said he thinks it is quite obvious that the work done by our own regional legal services has been excellent and they should not be penalized.

MRS. FORMAN asked for a point of information if we do not have a local Legal Aid Society and was told that we do.

MRS. SHERMAN said she thinks we should be a little more specific and the particular item that Mr. Morris was referring to was on a housing situation and it was the duty of this particular legal service to take the stand they took and were trying to protect the poor of this city who needed housing.

MR. MORRIS said the Ordinance that Mrs. Sherman is talking about was adopted because there was a desperate housing shortage in the City of Stamford and because of this is creating not only a housing shortage but a health hazard to allow more and more people to keep coming into the City when there is no place for them to go. He said the man who took this Ordinance to Court never really lived in the City of Stamford, so they say and he never appeared in Court. He said he was living in a \$175 a month apartment, owned a late model automobile, had never lived in Stamford - gave up a job he had in Greenwich and came here and wanted to go on relief and they told him he just moved into the City and with our Ordinance he could not obtain relief. Then, this legal aide took this case to the Federal Court and the man was not even there but was in Galveston, Texas so it is rather hard to determine who he could be representing in Stamford.

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MRS. VARNEY MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a VOTE on the question. CARRIED by a vote of 23 in favor and 16 opposed.

TOTAL FOR REGIONAL LEGAL SERVICES ----- DENIED

Page 51 - ZONING BOARD:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$14,082.00

Page 55 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

Code 140.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to - \$8,204.00 (New employee)

Code 140.0401 - Advertising & Printing -
REDUCED to ----- 3,000.00

Code 140.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
REDUCED to ----- 150.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$12,749.00

Page 57 - ASSESSORS OFFICE:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$151,220.00

Page 59 - TAX COLLECTOR:

Code 146.0203 - Postage - REDUCED to --- \$7,000.00

Code 146.0403 - Printing - REDUCED to -- 2,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$100,701.17

Page 61 - RESERVE FOR TAX REFUNDS:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$5,000.00

Page 63 - BOARD OF FINANCE:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$58,309.50

Page 65 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT: Code 153.0000 through 173.0000

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$3,761,343.00

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Code 174.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to ----- \$103,659.56

MR. BOCCUZZI said under "New Personnel" they denied the Benefits Supervisor and one Clerk Typist II, the Board of Finance having denied one Clerk Typist II.

Code 174.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
REDUCED to ----- \$950.00

Code 174.1702 - Automotive Fuel -
REDUCED to ----- \$200.00

Code 174.2201 - New Equipment - REDUCED to- \$800.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$117,759.56

Page 73 - SOUTH END COMMUNITY CENTER:

Code 180.0101 - Salaries

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Committee REDUCED the salary to \$13,000.00, which is for a Director only.

MR. KNAPP said as he voted in the Fiscal Committee, he is against this account and MOVED to DENY the salary account. He said the Community Center in Glenbrook does not have a Director, he does not see why the South End Community Center should have a Director either. Seconded.

MR. GUROIAN spoke in favor of the motion to deny.

MR. KELLY asked who is going to get this job and will they be responsible to the Board of Representatives or to the Board of Directors down there? If not, then he is against it.

MR. LIVINGSTON spoke against the motion, for the reason that the South End Center needs professional help if it is to serve the community responsibly. He said if anyone thinks this is going to help pad someone's pocket then they don't know Mr. Nathan Wider, who is known for his honesty and integrity.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the South End Community opens up at 8 A.M. and stays open all day, but the Glenbrook Center is not the same, and an all day operation, plus staying open 7 days a week is an entirely different thing. He said the job specifications for this job will be written up by the Personnel Department. He said they definitely need a Director, because of the complex nature of the South End Community Center.

MR. GUROIAN spoke for the second time and said the Glenbrook Center is open 7 day a week, also.

After much further debate, MR. SHERER MOVED the QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on the motion to DENY. CARRIED, by a vote of 23 in favor and 16 opposed.

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TOTAL APPROVED ----- DENIED

Page 75 - PROBATE COURT:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$11,070.00

Page 77 - SEWER COMMISSION:

Code 190.0301 - Stationery & Postage -
 REDUCED to ----- \$300.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$14,086.00

Page 79 - HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:

Code 192.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ----- \$600.00

Code 192.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
 REDUCED to ----- 950.00

Code 192.0801 - Transportation - REDUCED to --- 200.00

Code 192.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
 Conferences - REDUCED to ----- 100.00

Code 192.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions -
 REDUCED to ----- 200.00

MR. RUSSBACH MOVED to REDUCE the salary account - Code 192.0101 by reducing the salary of the Executive Director from \$16,178.00 to \$15,288.00. Seconded.

He said this job started out in 1967 with this job at \$10,000.00 and now we are up to \$16,178.00. He said we are putting a policy of 5.5 salary increases in effect to all department heads and this is the reason he believes this should be in line with other increases.

MR. BOCCUZZI spoke against the motion and gave the reason why the Fiscal Committee did not reduce this salary. He said a year ago we gave this man a raise (in the month of January) and around Budget time, the City handed in a list of heads of departments and Commissions giving them a 7% raise to go along with the contracts to other City employees that had been signed. At that time, Mr. Russbach objected to this man getting the raise and turned him all the way back and took away the raise and put him back to what he was getting before January and on top of that also took away the 7% raise that all City employees got. He said this is the reason why the Committee brought this man up to what appears in the Budget.

MR. DIXON said what Mr. Boccuzzi has said is true and recalls very clearly what happened.

MR. MORRIS said when the Commission first came in to existence there was a lot of speculation as to what the salary would be and the Board fixed the salary at \$10,000 by Ordinance, but since that time took the lid off the salary by passing another Ordinance to leave the salary out of the Ordinance.

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He said the man now in the job happens to be doing an excellent job and is well worth the salary he earns.

MR. IACOVO MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on Mr. Russbach's motion to reduce the salary for the Executive Director. LOST by a vote of 27 opposed and 10 in favor.

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$62,663.00

Page 81 - CONSERVATION COMMISSION:

Code 194.0102 - Part-time help - REDUCED to ---\$500.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$650.00

Page 83 - COMMISSION ON AGING:

Code 195.0301 - Stationery & Postage -
REDUCED to -----\$600.00

Code 195.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences, REDUCED to ----- 300.00

Code 195.2201 - New Equipment - REDUCED to --- 500.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$53,099.00

Page 85 - BOARD OF ETHICS:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$800.00

Page 87 - FAIR RENT COMMISSION:

Code 198.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$10,584.00

Code 198.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ----- 600.00

Code 198.0401 - Advertising & Printing -
REDUCED to ----- 100.00

Code 198.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
REDUCED to ----- 200.00

Code 198.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences - REDUCED to ----- 225.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$12,709.00

TOTAL - GENERAL GOVERNMENT -----\$7,399,360.62

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Page 89 - DEBT SERVICE -----TOTAL APPROVED ----\$10,348,815.00

Page 93 - BOARD OF EDUCATION:

MR. BOCCUZZI said this was REDUCED by the Fiscal Committee to \$26,000,000 and Code 304.0000 remains the same - at \$235,500.00 with a total for that page is \$26,235,500.00

MR. HEINZER said he believes that some teacher's salary increases were included in the amount which is not proper, because they will be coming in for those increases when their contract is signed for this year and for next year. HE MOVED that the reduction the Fiscal Committee is proposing be REDUCED to \$923,000.00 - the amount that will be coming in later for teachers' salaries -- in other words that this be CUT by the amount of \$923,000.00. Seconded.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI asked to have this motion repeated, as he does not understand just what the speaker means.

MR. HEINZER said he wants the total CUT (from the \$27,200,000 recommended by the Board of Finance) to be \$923,000.00.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI asked for a total figure so that we will know what we are talking about.

MR. HEINZER said the new figure would then be \$26,277,000.00

MR. BOCCUZZI said this cut only covers the fiscal year 1971-1972, but in order to cover 1972-1973 we will have to give them another \$923,000.00.

MR. HEINZER said we will have to do that in any event

MR. BOCCUZZI said he just wants to understand that we will be called upon later to give them another \$923,000.00.

MR. HEINZER said of course - we will have to do that when the contract has been signed anyhow.

MR. BOCCUZZI said when this is done, it will bring the Board of Education's Budget up to \$28,123,000 as of next year.

MR. HEINZER said this is correct, but this happens every year.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he wants his question answered.

MR. HEINZER said "no" that the Budget figure is the figure he gave him and this is an additional appropriation that you don't count in the Budget.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Committee is particularly interested in what is going to happen next year, because that is what they are working on - what the Budget will eventually read for 1972-1973 - namely - \$28,123,000 and that is what he is asking.

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MR. HEINZER said "no".

MR. BOCCUZZI said it's got to, because that is what it will add up to when the contracts are signed.

MR. HEINZER said no, it will NOT read that, because every Budget we've passed is always subject to raises and we don't count that in the Budget, because we know they are coming and let's not just single out the Board of Education for those raises.

MR. BOCCUZZI said we now know what the figure is going to be.

MR. HEINZER said no, we don't because the Board of Education hasn't approved the contract yet.

MR. BOCCUZZI said it has been in the paper. He said what he wants to know is what this Budget is going to read in 1972-1973, and apparently that figure is going to end up at \$28,123,000.

MR. HEINZER said he knows what he is trying to do.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he is not being fooled, because the Committee went over these figures.

MR. SHERER MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded.

MR. GUROIAN objected and asked if it is proper for teachers to dominate the meeting and then to move the question on top of it.

MR. SHERER said he happens to be a taxpayer in this town regardless of what he earns his living at and is entitled as an elected official to what he wants to do.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Mr. Sherer's motion. LOST.

After considerable further debate on Mr. Heinzer's motion, it was decided to take a vote on his motion which was LOST by a vote of 14 in favor and 25 opposed.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she wants some clarification in regard to this salary increase in the Budget. She said they already had included these increments in the Budget. She said they knew the contract was under negotiation and made provision for including this figure in the Budget.

MR. HEINZER said this cannot be.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said this is a fact - that Mr. Reid has included \$923,000 in the Budget now before this Board, as an estimate of salary increments.

MR. IACOVO MOVED to amend to REDUCE the Board of Education to \$25,515,270.00. He said he bases this on last year's per pupil cost, multiplied times the present number of pupils - 21,087. He said there is a lot of fat in this budget and we do not need these "frills" which are not going to get these

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kids a job when they get out of school - and all they want to know when you get out of school is whether or not you have the basic skills. Seconded.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he is sorry, but he has to talk against this, but over the years the members of the Fiscal Committee have achieved a way to arrive at a solution. He said what the speaker is recommending is a cut to really hurt and he is wrong and the cut is unrealistic and unwarranted.

MR. MORABITO said as a member of the Fiscal Committee he does not agree with Mr. Boccuzzi's statement, and he does not speak for either himself or Mr. Knapp.

MRS. LAITMAN spoke against the motion and said she agrees with Mr. Boccuzzi.

MR. RUSSBACH said we once again have our "Sacred Cow" in front of us, but does not believe it is quite as sacred as it used to be. He said he sees no reason to pay for this so-called "quality" education when people cannot afford to live in this town or pay for the quality education and you have a declining tax base. He said he is in favor of Mr. Iacovo's motion.

MR. FOX said he has faith in the Fiscal Committee's recommendations and when you look at the whole thing, he thinks the Committee has done a good job.

MR. GUROIAN said he supports Mr. Iacovo because he is saying let's melt that fat in the Budget and come down to a more realistic figure.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said they have been told that the salary increases are included in the Budget as presented from the Board of Education. SHE MOVED to amend Mr. Iacovo's motion to \$25,077,000 with the right, however, of the Board of Education to come in with the bill for the contractual obligation incurred by the signing of the Collective Bargaining Contract. She said there is a question of the \$923,000 in the Budget now. She said when they come before us with the Contract, we are obliged to appropriate the funds.

MR. IACOVO said he will accept the amendment, with NO contracts included.

MR. FRIEDMAN said he is a member of the Fiscal Committee and intends to support the motion.

MR. WALSH said he just wants to remind the members that in New York they are running out of taxpayers to pay their tax bills and pretty soon we will find ourselves in the same boat.

MR. SHERER MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on Mrs. Pont-Briant's amendment to Mr. Iacovo's motion. CARRIED by a vote of 25 in favor and 13 opposed.

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED to return this to the figure originally suggested by the Fiscal Committee - \$26,000,000.00.

MR. GUROIAN asked if Mrs. Laitman voted on the prevailing side.

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MRS. PONT BRIANT said it was her motion and she was on the prevailing side, and it is not her intent to cut below the Fiscal Committee's recommendation and she would MOVE for reconsideration. Seconded.

MR. MORABITO asked if a two-thirds vote is needed for reconsideration.

THE PRESIDENT said "no". He read from an opinion given by the Corporation Counsel at the time 1965-1966 Budget was adopted, dated May 12, 1965, as follows:

Voting procedure to be followed in taking action on appropriations concerning Capital and Operating Budgets

"-----A motion to reject or reduce an item in the proposed Budget is NOT an "appropriation resolution" within the meaning of Sec. 202.2 of the Charter. Therefore, the REJECTION OR REDUCTION OF A BUDGET ITEM IS CARRIED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AND VOTING, as provided for in the last sentence of said Section -----"

An "appropriation resolution" REQUIRES THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWENTY-ONE (21) members of the Board of Representatives.

MR. FOX said the precedence of motions says that a majority vote is needed for reconsideration.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said it is not her intent to railroad through anything on the Board of Education, and would ask for reconsideration and also a five minute recess.

VOTE taken on the motion to reconsider. CARRIED by a vote of 22 in favor and 17 opposed.

RECESS CALLED AT 1:55 A.M.

The recess was declared over at 2:15 A.M.

MRS. PONT BRIANT MOVED for approval of \$25,077,000 for the Board of Education with the knowledge that the Board of Education will come in for funds for teachers salary increases, which we will have to honor, which will then bring the funds for the Board of Education up to \$26,000,000 and a few dollars more or less, if their contract is more than \$923,000. She said at the time we approve the contract, we will then have to appropriate those funds which are separate entirely.

MR. FOX said he will go on record as saying that is also his understanding of their conversation.

MR. HEINZER said that is exactly the same motion we approved before.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said it was too important an issue to not request reconsideration.

VOTE taken on the motion. CARRIED by a vote of 22 in favor and 15 opposed.

Page 95 - WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

Code 410.0203 - Rent-Garage - REDUCED to ~~---~~\$200.00

Code 410.5507 - Housekeeping Services -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 500.00

Code 410.5601 - Outside Prof. & Medical
Expenses - REDUCED to ~~-----~~11,000.00

Code 410.5605 - Housing Investment Fund
Allocation ~~-----~~ DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED ~~-----~~\$355,430.00

Page 99 - GENERAL HOSPITALS:

Code 422.0000 - General Hospitals -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~\$75,000.00

Code 424.0000 - Other Institutions -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ~~-----~~\$76,000.00

Page 101 - SUNSET HOME:

Code 430.0102 - Part-time help -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~\$3,000.00

Code 430.6004 - Farm Operation -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ~~-----~~\$93,050.00

Page 103 - SMITH HOUSE:

Code 440.0102 - Part-time help -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~\$21,000.00

Code 440.0111 - Salary Differential -
REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 25,000.00

Code 440.0608 - New Planting, Turf & Trees - DENIED

Code 440.5601 - Outside Prof. & Med. Expenses-
REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 10,000.00

Code 440.5603 - Util. Review and Medical
Staff - REDUCED to ~~-----~~ 4,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ~~-----~~\$660,762.75

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TOTAL - WELFARE & OTHER INSTITUTIONS -----\$1,185,242.75

Page 107 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Code 510.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to --\$253,900.60

MR. BOCCUZZI said the cut in the above account was for Dental Hygienist - \$10,337.00 which position hasn't been filled for two years.

Code 510.0102 - Part-time help -
REDUCED to -----\$3,000.00

Code 510.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
REDUCED to ----- 1,800.00

Code 510.0618 - Vaccines & Serums -
REDUCED to ----- 700.00

Code 510.1201 - Maintenance of Equipment -
REDUCED TO ----- 300.00

Page 109 (above continued):

Code 510.2501 - Uniforms - REDUCED to -- 1,200.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$281,152.60

Page 111 - CODE ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE:

Code 511.0802 - Car Allowance -
REDUCED to ----- \$2,880.00

Code 511.1701 - Auto Operation &
Maint. - REDUCED to ---- 1,200.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$61,641.00

Page 113 - HEALTH PROGRAM - PAROCHIAL & PRIVATE SCHOOLS (Public Act 481)

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$505,566.00

Page 123 - DOG WARDEN:

Code 520.2501 - Uniforms - REDUCED to --\$300.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$32,195.00

Page 125 - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC:

Code 525.1901 - Small Tools & Replacements -
REDUCED to ----- \$50.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$19,760.00

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Code 530.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -----\$3,007,408.00

MR. BOCCUZZI said this brings the Police Chief's salary back to \$19,845.00 and 4 Dispatchers were denied. He said it is not because they don't want them to have Dispatchers, but there seems to be a little mixup in the table of organization as to who is moving up to where and things of this sort. He said they have Patrolmen doing it now and are not putting on patrolmen to take their places and it's not because they don't want them to have Dispatchers, because they need them, but they are also going to need the patrolmen, so the Committee wants them to come with a table of organization, which is a request also from the Board of Finance, and definitely place men in definite positions - where they are going to be. He said the Board of Finance has been "sitting" on these four Dispatchers for something like six months.

Code 530.0110 - Holiday Time -
REDUCED to -----\$77,500.00Code 530.0113 - Day Off Slips -
REDUCED to ----- 67,300.00Code 530.0114 - Salary Differential -
REDUCED to ----- 73,200.00

Page 131 - (above continued):

Code 530.2501 - Uniforms - REDUCED to --- 38,000.00

Code 530.5203 - Training School -
REDUCED TO ----- 10,000.00

MR. KNAPP said he has a couple of cuts. HE MOVED to reduce Code 530.2210, Motor Vehicles (Patrol Cars) by cutting out two cars at \$5,000 each, thus giving a reduced total for this item of \$65,000.00.

MR. BOCCUZZI explained that this has already been reduced by the Board of Finance from \$99,960 to \$70,000 and the Committee is not sure at this point just what was reduced by the Board of Finance and we might be reducing the same item twice.

MR. KNAPP said if this has been cut out already, then they can come back and ask for it again. He said he will make the same motion again - to cut out two cars at \$5,000 each. Seconded.

MRS. PONT BRIANT spoke against the motion. She gave two reasons - first, as the Budget is now before us, it has already been cut and the second reason, for the first time they have submitted plans for the rotation of vehicles to try and bring their vehicles up to date, which would be for the safety of the patrolmen.

VOTE TAKEN on Mr. Knapp's motion to reduce Code 530.2210 by \$5,000. LOST by a vote of 15 in favor and 20 opposed.

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MR. KNAPP MOVED to reduce Code 530.5203, Training School which has been cut by the Fiscal Committee to \$10,000, to reduce it still further, to \$1,000. He said he has received information today and this is a little bit of a "put on". He said they don't have anybody coming in there professionally to speak to them at all and whenever they use the training school, use films, etc., they borrow everything and don't own anything and don't pay for anything. Seconded.

MR. BOCCUZZI gave an illustration of the various training schools and named them all over. He said they were all itemized in their little black book and he happens to know various policemen on the force who went to various training schools, and that is all he knows about it.

MR. KNAPP said the motion is on the floor and all they can do is vote against it. VOTE taken on the motion. LOST by a vote of 9 in favor and 24 opposed.

MR. GUROIAN MOVED to reduce Code 530.2101, Conventions, Dues and Conferences to \$500.00. Seconded.

MRS. PONT BRIANT opposed the motion. She said the Police Department tried to make this a tight budget and they worked diligently to try and not ask for anything they really did not need. She said in the Convention account there is an international police convention in Utah and that is the reason that is high and there is a national safety Council and international dues, and a great deal of this is for membership dues - State Police Association dues, New England Police Chief's Convention, miscellaneous subscription (\$50) and with all the new methods of police protection today, it is only right that they keep up to date by going to these conventions.

MR. RUSSELL asked for an explanation as to why it went from \$500 to \$1200.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said they were told that the Police Chief's Convention is in Utah and is budgeted for \$500.

MRS. SHERMAN said she would have to assume that most of that \$500 is for fare back and forth to Utah. She said she thinks that our top Police officials should be well informed as to what is happening in the rest of the country, and she would support the appropriation.

VOTE taken on the motion. LOST by a vote of 16 in favor and 18 opposed.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said she would like to amend something upward. She MOVED to amend Code 530.0101, Salaries, to reinstate the cut made in the Police Chief's salary, by making it \$22,500. She said the request had been before the Personnel Commission almost a year in order to come to an equalization between the Police Chief and the other members of the Police Department and a ratio of 205 between the top and the bottom was agreed upon by the Personnel Commission and because there were funds within the account, so the money was transferred by the Board of Finance, and he has been receiving the \$22,500 for several months and for this reason would MOVE this be reinstated in the 1972-1973 Budget. Seconded by Mrs. Sherman.

MR. KNAPP said he wants to talk against this, as he talked against it in the last meeting of the Fiscal Committee and thought the Committee had come to an agreement. He said the reason he was against this is because of the

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way it was done and was not brought before us, so that we could vote on it. He said he feels that it was done behind the people's backs and got a little bit of bucks here and a little bit of bucks there and altogether got himself up to \$22,500. He said all you have to do is take a look at the transfers made in this account - \$46,087. He said he does not like the way this was done and the rest of the head dogs in this town have been cut, and he says get him down too.

MR. RUSSBACH said you are talking about almost a 15% increase over the original figure and all the peons are getting something like 5.5% increase and this is establishing a very bad precedence. He said he understands that 5% of this increase is supposed to go into the Pension fund for contribution. He said if you give him a 15% raise, he will be glad to put 5% of that into the Pension Fund, because there is a tax shelter on that and ends up somewhere in the neighborhood of 22% to 23% as far as a salary increase goes and that is why he is 100% opposed to this -- it is not what it appears to be and is far in excess of what everyone else is getting.

MRS. SHERMAN asked if the Fire Chief get more than the Police Chief.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that is probably due to longevity.

MRS. PONT BRIANT said they both requested raises at the same time and were both granted the same raise, and the Fiscal Committee cut out both increases to both men.

MR. GUROIAN MOVED THE QUESTION before we cave in. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on Mrs. Pont-Briant's motion to restore the cut made in the Chief of Police' salary, to make it \$22,500. LOST by a vote of 9 in favor and 25 opposed.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members that it is getting very late - almost three A.M. and we are losing members fast.

MR. EXNICIOS MOVED to reinstate the four Dispatchers Code 530.0101, Salaries, which were cut out by the Fiscal Committee - at salary of \$11,416 each or a total of \$45,664.00. He said he cannot see us lowering the morale of our excellent police force and if any member of this Board calls in sometime and there is no Dispatcher to take your call, you will be the first to complain.

MRS. PONT BRIANT spoke against the motion. She said under May 12, 1971 a request came to this Board and the Board of Finance, requesting funds for these Dispatchers with all their additional holiday pay, etc. and fringe benefits and was held as late as April 13 and this year the Board of Finance refused to approve it and it was on that basis that the Fiscal Committee deleted these jobs from the Budget. She said now the Police Department is coming in for just the difference between the salaries for the Dispatchers and for four Patrolmen, as four Patrolmen have been assigned as Dispatchers and they are handling the job of Dispatcher and this leaves four Patrolmen vacancies, which will be filled. She said the intent of the Board of Finance was to give them the four Patrolmen in the budget and had also given them four men for the Narco Squad within the year and wanted to see a table

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of organization and find out where they were going and then grant them the four Patrolmen and actually we have only knocked out four Dispatchers which are really four Patrolmen.

VOTE taken on Mr. Exnicios' motion to restore the cut of \$45,664.00 by restoring the four Dispatchers. LOST by a vote of 13 in favor and 20 opposed.

Page 133 - Police Department -----TOTAL APPROVED -----\$3,979,007.60

Page 135 - FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Code 540.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to --\$2,416,165.00

MR. BOCCUZZI explained that here again, the Chief's salary has been reduced to \$19,745.00 from \$22,850.00 which is what it was last year.

Code 540.2201 - New Equipment -
REDUCED to -----\$5,962.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$2,820,746.40

Page 139 - HYDRANTS & WATER SUPPLY:

Code 550.1209 - Hydrants - Rural -
REDUCED to -----\$8,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$320,163.12

Page 141 - STAMFORD EMERGENCY SERVICE:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$28,096.00

Page 143 - VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS:

Code 571.0000 - Balltown Fire Department -
TOTAL APPROVED -----\$54,687.00

Code 572.0000 - New Hope Fire Department -
TOTAL APPROVED -----\$95,963.00

Code 573.0000 - Long Ridge Fire Department -
TOTAL APPROVED -----\$68,445.00

Code 574.0000 - Turn of River Fire Department -
TOTAL APPROVED -----\$135,572.00

Code 575.0000 - Springdale Fire Department -
TOTAL APPROVED -----\$76,684.00

Code 576.0000 - Investigation of Fire - TOTAL APPROVED -----\$75.00

Page 143 -----TOTAL APPROVED -----\$431,426.00

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Code 590.0102 - Part-time help -----\$1,765.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$1,765.00

TOTAL APPROVED FOR PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY -----\$8,481,518.72

Page 147 - PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION:

Code 602.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to --\$180,155.00

MR. BOCCUZZI said this includes bringing the Commissioner of Public Works back to last year's salary of \$20,801.00.

Code 602.0107 - Seasonal ----- DENIED

Code 602.0301 - Stationery & Postage -
REDUCED to -----\$1,400.00Code 602.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences - REDUCED to\$ 500.00Code 602.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions -
REDUCED to -----\$ 100.00Code 602.2599 - Repairs to privately owned
vehicles ----- DENIED

Code 602.5203 - Training School ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$232,908.00

Page 149 - WEIGHTS & MEASURES:Code 604.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$10,880.00

Page 151 - BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS & MAINTENANCE
ADMINISTRATION:

Code 605.0103 - Overtime ----- DENIED

Code 605.0107 - Seasonal ----- DENIED

Code 605.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences ----- DENIED

Code 605.2502 - Clothing Allowance ----- DENIED

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Code 605.5203 - Training Schools ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$50,975.00

Page 153 - BUREAU OF HIGHWAYS & MAINTENANCE
DIVISION OF HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE:Code 606.0101 - Salaries -
REDUCED to ----- \$735,388.00

MR. BOCCUZZI explained the Committee eliminated Equipment Operator II who now has another position. He said the job is vacant.

Code 606.0103 - Overtime -
REDUCED to ----- \$10,000.00

Code 606.0107 - Seasonal - REDUCED to -- 6,000.00

Code 606.0609 - Snow Removal & Flood
Emergency - REDUCED to - 50,000.00Code 606.0612 - Fall Leaf pick up -
REDUCED to ----- 31,000.00

Code 606.0614 - Fall Clean-up ----- DENIED

Code 606.0615 - Spring Clean-up ----- DENIED

Code 606.0802 - Car Allowance - REDUCED
to ----- 2,328.00Code 606.1802 - Special Repairs -
REDUCED to ----- 1,800.00

MR. SCHADE asked what the above stands for. MR. BOCCUZZI said he must apologize, because he can't give him an answer.

MRS. PONT FRIANT said last year it said "building, town and city yards - special repairs to the building". She said it is probably where they house some of the equipment for doing highway work.

MR. KNAPP MOVED to REDUCE this to \$1,800.00 making it a \$1,700.00 cut. Seconded by Mr. Guroian. CARRIED.

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$936,391.00

Page 155 - DIVISION OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE:

Code 607.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to -- \$124,680.00

MR. BOCCUZZI said one Maintenance Equipment Clerk job was vacant so the Committee deleted the appropriation for it.

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$146,930.00

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Code 614.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ---\$4,000.00

Code 614.5203 - Training School ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$252,168.00

Page 159 - STREET LIGHTING:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- 550,000.00

Page 161 - BUREAU OF SANITATION:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- 38,501.00

Page 163.- MAINTENANCE OF SANITARY SEWERS: TOTAL APPROVED ----- 87,920.00Page 165 - BUREAU OF SANITATION -
INCINERATOR & SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT:

Code 620.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ---\$50,000.00

Code 620.0107 - Seasonal ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$865,190.00

Page 167 - BUREAU OF SANITATION-
MULTI-PURPOSE INCINERATOR:

Code 621.2601 - Laundry - REDUCED to ----- \$400.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$129,062.00

Page 169 - BUREAU OF SANITATION-
PUMPING STATION:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$78,379.00

Page 171 - DIVISION OF GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Code 624.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ---\$60,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$993,236.00

Page 173 - SANITARY LANDFILL:

Code 625.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to ---\$2,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$11,315.00

Page 175 - BUREAU OF ENGINEERING:

Code 626.0107 - Seasonal ----- DENIED

Code 626.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences - REDUCED to \$300.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$477,477.00

Page 177 - U.R.C. SERVICES:
(Code 627.)

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$50,000.00

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Code 628.0802 - Car Allowance - REDUCED to --\$6,564.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$231,984.00

Page 181 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

Code 629.0802 - Car Allowance - REDUCED to --\$1,440.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$318,539.00

Page 183 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
TOWN HALL:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$61,369.00

Page 185 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$78,450.00

Page 185 - Code 632. WASH STAND: (Alterations & Maintenance)

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$2,500.00

Page 189 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
YARD 2:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$7,900.00

Page 191 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
CIRCUIT COURTHOUSE:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$16,255.00

Page 193 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
YARD 1:Code 635.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to -----\$5,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$7,250.00

Page 195 - CIVIL DEFENSE BUILDING -
LOCKWOOD AVENUE:Code 636.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to -----\$1,360.00

Code 636.1505 - Water _ REDUCED to ----- 50.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$2,410.00

Page 197 - BUILDING MAINTENANCE - CIVIL DEFENSE -
HAIG AVENUE:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$7,340.00

Page 199 - BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
POLICE BUILDING:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$13,600.00

Page 201 - BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
HEALTH BUILDING:

Code 641.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to ----- \$6,500.00

Code 641.1505 - Water - REDUCED to ----- 1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$10,735.00

Page 205 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Code 643.1505 - Water - REDUCED to ----- \$1,050.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$18,773.00

Page 207 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING ANNEX:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$8,185.00

Page 209 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
CLOONAN SCHOOL:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$12,440.00

Page 211 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
GLENBROOK COMMUNITY CENTER:

Code 646.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to ----- \$4,800.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$8,565.00

Page 213 - CUBETA STADIUM FLOODLIGHTING SYSTEM:

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$3,800.00

Page 215 - DIVISION OF LAND & BUILDING MAINTENANCE -
RICE SCHOOL:

Code 648.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to ----- \$8,200.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$18,337.00

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TOTAL APPROVED -----\$7,600.00

Page 219 - GAS, OIL, REPAIRS: (Code 651., 652., 653.)

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$140,250.00

Page 221 - HURRICANE BARRIER MAINTENANCE:

Code 656.0107 - Seasonal ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$34,404.00

Page 223 - DOG POUND:Code 660.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to -----\$900.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$2,350.00

Page 225 - POLICE GARAGE:

Code 661.1801 - Maintenance of Buildings --DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$5,500.00

TOTAL APPROVED FOR PUBLIC WORKS -----\$5,929,868.00

Page 227 - PARK DEPARTMENT:

Code 710.0101 - Salaries - REDUCED to --\$215,895.96

MR. BOCCUZZI said deleted were the two Gardeners II at \$7,775 each.

Code 710.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
REDUCED to -----\$2,700.00Code 710.2101 - Conventions, Dues and
Conferences - REDUCED to 350.00

Page 229 (above continued):

Code 710.2502 - Clothing Allowance -
REDUCED to -----\$2,750.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$513,266.96

Page 231 - BOARD OF RECREATION:Code 720.0608 - New Planting Turf &
Trees - REDUCED to -----\$100.00

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Code 720.5805 - Performing Arts -
REDUCED to -----\$3,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$396,213.46

Page 235 - PROJECT MUSIC - BOARD OF RECREATION:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$29,010.00

Page 237 - DOROTHY HEROY RECREATION AREA:

Code 724.0107 - Seasonal -
REDUCED to -----\$15,504.80

Code 724.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to -----\$1,250.00

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$26,426.80

Page 239 - CULTURAL ACTIVITIES: DENIED BY BOARD OF FINANCEPage 241 - RECREATION - STERLING FARMS:

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$18,675.00

Page 243 - HUBBARD HEIGHTS GOLF COURSE:

Code 730.0103 - Overtime - REDUCED to-\$500.00

Code 730.0610 - Score Cards, Tickets,
etc. - REDUCED to ---- 485.00

Code 730.0611 - Paints & Misc. -
REDUCED to -----1,228.00

Code 730.2101 - Conventions, Dues &
Conferences ----- DENIED

TOTAL APPROVED -----\$117,257.00

Page 245 - GOLF AUTHORITY:

Code 740.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph-
REDUCED to -----\$600.00

Code 740.0601 - General Materials &
Supplies - REDUCED to-\$25,000.00

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Code 740.0610 - Score Cards, Tickets,
etc., REDUCED to ----- \$ 500.00

Code 740.1501 - Light, Heat & Power -
REDUCED to ----- 11,000.00

Code 740.1901 - Small Tools & Replace-
ments - REDUCED to ----- 1,000.00

TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$132,593.00

TOTAL APPROVED FOR PARKS & RECREATION ----- \$1,233,442.22

Page 247 - OTHERS:

Code 998.0000 - SUNDRIES ----- TOTAL APPROVED ----- \$10,000.00

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET APPROVED ----- \$59,900,747.31

THE PRESIDENT said, because of the lateness of the hour, we will have to take another ROLL CALL, which was done at this time. There were 6 members absent and 34 present. Those absent were: Handy Dixon, Stephen Kelly, Jeremiah Livingston, Theodore Boccuzzi, Sidney Sherer and William Rowan.

TOTALS FOR 1972-1973 OPERATING BUDGET - SUMMARY:

GENERAL GOVERNMENT ----- \$7,399,360.62

WELFARE & OTHER INSTITUTIONS ----- 1,185,242.75

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY ----- 8,481,518.72

PUBLIC WORKS ----- 5,929,868.00

PARKS AND RECREATION ----- 1,233,442.22

SUNDRIES ----- 10,000.00

MAYOR'S BUDGET ----- \$24,239,432.31

DEBT SERVICE ----- 10,348,815.00

BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET -- 25,312,500.00

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET APPROVED ----- \$59,900,747.31

The following resolution was presented by Mr. John Boccuzzi, who MOVED for its adoption, subject to the correction of any mistakes in computation. Seconded and CARRIED by unanimous vote, there now being 34 members present and 6 absent, five members having left the meeting since it began:

RESOLUTION NO. 823

ADOPTION OF THE CAPITAL AND OPERATING BUDGETS

FROM JULY 1, 1972 TO JUNE 30, 1973

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance has transmitted to the Board of Representatives its recommended Budget for the ensuing year, commencing July 1, 1972 and ending June 30, 1973, for final action by the Board of Representatives;

BE IT RESOLVED BY STAMFORD, that the itemized estimate of receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year 1972-1973 in the Budgets as submitted by the Mayor and as acted upon by the Board of Representatives, in the amounts of:


\$ 18,557,458.00 -----CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

\$ 59,900,747.31 -----OPERATING BUDGET

BE AND IT IS HEREBY accepted, adopted and approved, and specific appropriations are hereby made for each of the several items in the amounts appearing in the columns of budgets under the heading of "Board of Representatives" recording the approval, or other action of this Board.

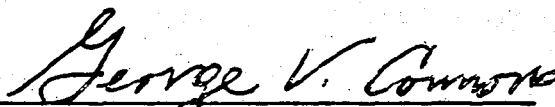
ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 A.M.


Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

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APPROVED:


George V. Connors,
President,
12th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was
not broadcast over
Radio Station WSTC.

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