

MINUTES OF APRIL 1, 197413TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVESSTAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 13th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, April 1, 1974 in the Boards' meeting room, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Frederick E. Miller, Jr., at 8:40 P.M. after a Caucus by the respective parties.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. Rocco D. Nadile, Sacred Heart R. C. Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG - The President led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

CHECK OF VOTING MACHINE:

A check of the voting machine was conducted and appeared to be in good working order.

PAGES: Donald Deberadinis, St. Gabriel School and Michael Valenti, Dolan School.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DRUG ABUSE AND ACUTE ALCOHOLISM:

THE PRESIDENT announced the appointment of the members of the above Committee, which is a 6 member bi-partisan Committee, as follows:

- (R) Robert Crosby, Co-Chairman
- (D) Lynn Lowden, Ph.D., Co-Chairman
- (D) John J. Boccuzzi
- (R) Robert Emiclos
- (D) Frederick Maynor
- (R) Leonard Hoffman

THE PRESIDENT announced the presence of Dr. Raymond who teaches a course on State and Local Government at the University of Connecticut who is here this evening with his class.

RESIGNATION - MRS. KIM VARNEY (R) 16th District and REPLACEMENT

THE PRESIDENT read the resignation of Mrs. Varney at this time, who has moved out of her District and must be replaced under the provisions of Section 201 of the Charter (also see Section 114) and Rule 5, page 3, under "Members" from Rules of Order. He said the Clerk will now call the roll and immediately thereafter we will consider the resignation.

ROLL CALL was taken by the Clerk, Mrs. Marilyn Laitman. There were 37 present, 2 absent and 1 resignation, which was filled, leaving 38 present and 2 absent. The absent members were:

- Robert B. Emiclos (R), 1st District
- Lynn Lowden (D), 1st District

Several members expressed their regret at losing Mrs. Varney as a member of the Board and spoke in praise of her excellent service to the City.

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REPLACEMENT for VACANCY - Republican in 16th District - KURT A. ZIMBLER.
Residing at 50 Amherst Place

THE PRESIDENT called for nominations to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mrs. Varney.

MR. CROSBY submitted the name of KURT A. ZIMBLER at this time, and outlined his qualifications.

There being no further nominations, Mr. Zimble was declared elected by unanimous vote, with the Clerk casting one ballot in favor.

THE PRESIDENT administered the oath of office to the newly elected member from the 16th District. Mr. Zimble thereupon assumed his seat on the Board. (applause)

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - March 4, 1974 regular meeting.

The Minutes of the above meeting were accepted, there being no corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting held Monday, March 18, 1974

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, March 18, 1974 immediately after adjournment of the Special Meeting of the Board held the same evening. The meeting was held in the Democratic Caucus Room, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 11 P.M. by the President and Chairman, Mr. Frederick E. Miller, Jr. All members were present. Mrs. Forman was also present.

The following matters were discussed and acted upon:

(1) Appointments:

Mayor's letter dated March 18, 1974, submitting 14 appointments, with blank spaces in which no name appears for 7 other appointments for the Urban Redevelopment Commission, Human Rights Commission, Board of Taxation and the Sewer Commission.

MR. EXNICIOS objected to getting these appointments at the last minute and MOVED that no names be placed on the agenda for the April Board meeting.

After considerable debate, it was agreed to place the Mayor's appointments on the agenda and Mr. John Boccuzzi promised to speak to the Mayor and request that he make every effort to get his appointments to the Board in time. He assured the members that this would probably not happen again.

(2) Additional Appropriations:

- (3) \$81,137.50 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Amount needed to meet obligations for fiscal year 1973-74 - (Partially approved on 3-4-74 with the following items HELD IN COMMITTEE)

Code 530.0112 - Vacations	\$1,537.50
Code 530.2502 - Clothing Maintenance Allowance	79,600.00
	\$81,137.50

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE and to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE on agenda

- (4) \$4,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - Code 540.2501 - Uniforms - (Mayor's letter of 2-8-74) - HELD IN COMMITTEE 3-4-74

The above item was NOT ordered on the agenda.

- (5) \$1,515.00 - TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT - Code 525.0101 - Salaries for back salary increments for City Traffic Director from Oct. 1, 1972 and Oct. 1, 1973 (Salary to \$23,716.00 - Job Code from A-16-3 to A-16-4 and from A-16-4 to A-16-5 (Marcom) - Note: See Minutes of 9-11-72 page 9346) (Mayor's letter of 2-8-74) Also see Minutes of 10-2-73 page 9845) - HELD IN COMMITTEE 3-4-74

Above item referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE and also to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE on agenda.

- (6) \$740.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 510.0102 - Part-time help - (Mayor's letter 2-25-74)

Above item referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on agenda.

- (7) \$1,158,225 - RESOLUTION - Amending the 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE by adding thereto Project to be known as "COMPLETION OF SMITH HOUSE" AND appropriation of above amount therefor - (Mayor's letter of 3-7-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE also to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE AND ORDERED on the agenda.

- (8) \$25,000 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.0103 - Overtime - (Mayor's letter of 3-4-74) - REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$33,701.04

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; also to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE and ORDERED on the agenda.

- (9) \$13,000 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.1705 - Automotive Maintenance (Mayor's letter of 3-4-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE also to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE and ORDERED on the agenda.

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(10) \$3,100.00 -

BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a Grant from the State of Connecticut to partially reimburse the cost of employment of a cooperative Work Experience Counselor at one of the high schools - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; also to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - ORDERED on the agenda.

(11) \$6,791.30 -

BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a Grant from State of Connecticut under Title III of P.L. 91-230 Adult Education Act of 1966, for a special Pilot Project "Expanding Educational Opportunities for the Mentally Retarded Adult, for the 1973-74 fiscal year - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; Also to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - ORDERED on the agenda.

(12) \$1,200.00 -

BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a Grant from the Connecticut State Department of Education for Project entitled "Local Vocational Youth Organization Advisor Support" - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; Also to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - ORDERED on the agenda.

(13) \$500.00 -

BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a Grant from State of Connecticut, as a 100% pre-paid grant for fiscal year 1973-74 - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; also to EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on agenda.

(14) \$52,000.00 -

BOARD OF EDUCATION - Anticipated DEFICIT in the Fuel Account due to the rising cost of fuel - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter, dated 2-20-74) - REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$61,600.00)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; Also to the EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - ORDERED on agenda.

(15) SPRINGDALE SCHOOL - To increase the debt limit, presently at \$2,125,500 for the Springdale School Media Center and Classroom Addition Project by \$104,600 for a new limit of \$2,230,100.00 in order to award contract for the first phase of construction within the Sixty Day Bid Holding Limit - (See Mayor's letter dated 3-14-74) - REQUIRES PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE PLANNING BOARD, per Corporation Counsel's opinion of 8-21-69 to the Board of Finance - (Approved by Planning Board March 26, 1974)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE also to the EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - ORDERED on agenda.

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- (16) \$100,000.00 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE - For Workmen's Compensation Claims Code 132.0000 - Employees Medical & Hospital (Mayor's letter dated 3-13-74)

Above referred to to FISCAL COMMITTEE; also to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - ORDERED on agenda.

- (17) \$10,000.00 - CORPORATION COUNSEL - Code 110.0901 - Special Professional Services - (Mayor's letter of 2-11-74)

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE; also to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - ORDERED on the agenda.

- (18) \$700.00 - BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS - For the Following: (Mayor's letter of 2-8-74)

Code 139.0104 - Overtime meetings	\$300.00
Code 139.0301 - Stationery & Postage	100.00
Code 139.0401 - Advertising & Printing	100.00
Code 139.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph	50.00
Code 139.0601 - General Materials & Supplies	100.00
Code 139.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions	50.00
	<u>\$700.00</u>

Above referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE and ordered on the agenda.

- (19) Proposed INLAND-WETLAND Ordinance entitled "CONCERNING INLAND-WETLANDS AND WATER COURSES" - (Mayor's letter of 8-13-73) - (Held in Committee 9-10-73, 10-2-73 and NOT Ordered on the agenda for 11-13-73) - NOTE: An open hearing was held on 1-24-74 at the Stillmeadow School at 8 P.M. by the 13th Board's Legislative & Rules Committee - No action was taken at the 2-4-74 Board meeting - Held in Committee and again on 3-4-74)

Above ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (20) Final Adoption of Ordinance concerning "REGULATION OF SALE OF GASOLINE IN CITY OF STAMFORD" - Adopted for publication 3-4-74; published 3-8-74
NOTE: An open hearing to be held on Wednesday, March 20, 1974 in the Municipal Office Bldg. at 8 P.M.

Above ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (21) Letter to Board of Representatives dated 1-31-74 from the Chairman of Flood & Erosion Control Board, concerning proposed legislation covering Sections 7-146 and 7-147 of State Statutes which deal with the setting of encroachment lines - (Held in Committee on 3-4-74)

ORDERED on the agenda under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

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- (22) Request to adopt an Ordinance concerning "TAX EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY CHILD CARE CENTER OF STAMFORD, INC.," formerly known as the "STAMFORD DAY NURSERY" - (Pursuant to Section 12-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes; DISAPPROVED by the Tax Assessor for the reason that this is vacant land and nothing has been built on it and is therefore ineligible at this time) - (Request in letter dated 1-11-74 from Howard C. Kaplan, Esq., law firm of Wolfsey, Rosen, Kveskin & Kuriansky)

ORDERED on agenda under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (23) Proposed Resolution naming the Magee Avenue Firefighters Training Center the "CHARLES R. McREDMOND FIREFIGHTERS TRAINING CENTER" - (Requested in the Mayor's letter of 3-8-74)

ORDERED on Agenda under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (24) REVISED FEE SCHEDULES FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT - (Originally submitted by Dr. Gofstein in letter dated 3-20-72 - Held in Committee 6-12-72, 7-10-72, 8-7-72, 9-11-72 and 10-2-72 - Printed in Minutes of Nov. 13, 1972 page 9428 thru 9433; published in Stamford Advocate on 11-25-72, but never was given final approval by the 12th Board)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE; Also REFERRED TO HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE

- (25) Resolution to ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTY APPROXIMATELY 1.2491 ACRES ALONG THE NOROTON RIVER within the boundary of the Town of Darien, pursuant to Section 2-14 of the State Statutes - Note: REQUIRES A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOTH THE BOARD OF FINANCE AND THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES.

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE; also referred to the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE.

- (26) CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION - Concerning THREE SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS necessary for the completion of STORM SEWER SYSTEM KNOWN AS "SHIPPAN, CONTRACT 4B" (Affected properties owned by Lislle and Sarah C. Winik, Charles Bennett Norman and Elizabeth B. Norman and Philip Morse - (Mayor's letter of 3-12-74). This was approved by the Planning Board 3-19-74; however, the Board of Finance is not meeting until 4-11-74 and this requires their approval.

ORDERED on agenda under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (27) Concerning request for WAIVER OF PAYMENT OF ICE SKATING FEES TO THE PARK DEPARTMENT in letter from Board of Recreation dated 2-8-74 - For the reason that the Park Department wishes payment for use of the skating rink and they have no funds: Mr. Giordano also points out in his letter that the Board of Recreation does not have to pay rent for the use of school facilities

The above item was previously referred to the Parks & Recreation Committee at a previous Steering Committee meeting held on February 25, 1974 - NOTE: See Minutes of 3-4-74, item No. 10 on page 9959.

The above matter was discussed at considerable length and again referred to the Parks & Recreation Committee and also to the Fiscal Committee.

(28) Report of the Mayor's Committee on Water Quality

Above referred to the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE and ORDERED on the agenda.

- (29) Minority Report submitted by Aleksandra Nawakowski, Environment Chemist, in letter to the Board dated 3-4-74 as a member of the Mayor's Water Quality Committee, in which she claims it is a danger to the health of the community because of the manganese content.

Above referred to the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE and ORDERED on the agenda.

- (30) Request by Anthony Truglia, 5th District Representative, that the QUALITY OF DRINKING WATER IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD, AS PROVIDED BY THE STAMFORD WATER CO. be investigated by a Committee of this Board as to its true content of manganese and its relationship to good health in our community (Presented at the 3-4-74 Board meeting and referred to the Steering Committee)

Above referred to the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE and ORDERED on the agenda.

- (31) Petition concerning PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION for all Stamford Residents 65 years of age or more - To exempt them from paying taxes at a rate of one-half the normal mill rate on property taxed and occupied by them - (Presented by Mr. Martino, 10th District Representative, at the 12-10-73 Board meeting and referred to the Steering Committee)

Above referred to the LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE, but NOT on the agenda.

- (32) Petition from concerned parents residing on Weed Avenue, Houston Terrace, Matthew Street, Waterbury Avenue and Webb Avenue, requesting BUS SERVICE FOR THEIR CHILDREN TO THE STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL, because of dangerous traffic conditions - (Presented by George Connors, 8th District Rep. at the 3-4-74 Board meeting and referred to the Steering Committee)

Above referred to the EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE, BUT NOT on the agenda.

- (33) Letter dated 1-6-74 from Miss Jacqueline Goggin, Social Studies Librarian, West Hill High School, offering assistance - Note: letter answered by the President on 3-6-74)

Above noted and filed.

- (34) Letter dated 3-4-74 from Mrs. Audrey Maihock, 136 Wildwood Road, concerning the loading and unloading of passengers of chartered commercial passenger buses in residential neighborhoods

Above referred to the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE, but NOT on the agenda.

- (35) Letter dated 2-28-74 from Sophie E. Pastore, 1106A Main Street, complaining of inadequate waste removal service at Fairlawn Apartments

Above referred to the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE, but NOT on the agenda.

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- (36) Request in letter dated 3-18-74 from URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION for DISPOSAL OF A SLIVER PARCEL OF LAND TO THE ADJOINING LAND OWNER, Stamford Enterprises, Inc. approx. 2,360 sq. ft. at the purchase price of \$2,250.00
 Note: Proper resolution of conveyance is being prepared by Barry Boodman, Esq., Assistant Corporation Counsel.

Above item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE and also referred to the LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and also to the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE.

- (37) Letter from Castlewood Park Association Re: School Bus Service

Above referred to HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - NOT on Agenda

Appointment of a 6 member, bi-partisan, Special Committee on DRUG ABUSE AND ACUTE ALCOHOLISM - Appointed by the President as follows:

Dr. Lynn Lowden, Co-Chairman (D)
 Robert Crosby, Co-chairman (R)
 John Boccuzzi (D)
 Frederick Maynor (D)
 Robert Emiclos (R)
 Leonard Hoffman (R)

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 A.M.

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Frederick E. Miller, Jr.
 Chairman, Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI, Chairman, said his Committee met on Thursday, March 28th in the Municipal Office Building with the following Representatives present: Dixon, Ravallese, DeRose, Martino, Forman, Tresser, Crosby and the Chairman.

He reported on the following appointments. The Voting Machine was used to record the votes as specified in the Rules of Order. The votes are recorded below:

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Term Expires:

- (1) NORMAN GLUSS (D)
 95 Breezy Hill Road
 (Replacing Malvin Dichter,
 who resigned)

8/1/75

The above was HELD IN COMMITTEE

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

- (2) JOHN LEYDON (D)
 86 Michael Road
 (Reappointment)

VOTE: 20 yes
 18 no

12/1/78

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

- (3) EMEDIO D'ELIA (D) VOTE: 28 yes 12/1/77
61 West Hill Circle 10
(Replacing Michael Dagostino,
whose term expired)

FAIR RENT COMMISSION:

- (4) HERMAN TRAYLOR (D) 12/1/77
Orange Street
(Replacing William Martin, who resigned)

The above was HELD IN COMMITTEE

- (5) MRS. MILLIGENT ABELS (D) 12/1/78
1425 Bedford Street
(Replacing Anthony Esposito, whose term expired)

The above was HELD IN COMMITTEE

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW:

- (6) RICHARD KLIFE (D) VOTE: 34 yes 12/1/78
94 Buckingham Drive 4 no
(Replacing Hall Deming,
whose term expired)

PARK COMMISSION:

- (7) RONALD MALLOY (D) LOST - TIE 12/1/78
52 Glendale Circle VOTE: 19 yes
(Replacing Ed Lindstrom, 19 no
whose term expired)

GOLF AUTHORITY:

- (8) THOMAS McTIGHE (D) VOTE: 29 yes 1/1/77
35 Rachelle Avenue 9 no
(Replacing Peter Somma,
whose term expired)

COMMISSION ON AGING:

- (9) MRS. ANN McDONALD (D) 12/1/76
53 Courtland Hill Street
(Reappointment)

The above was HELD IN COMMITTEE

- (10) REV. PAUL DuBOIS (D) VOTE: 36 yes 12/1/76
18 Jones Lane 2 no
(Reappointment)

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COMMISSION ON AGING:Term Ending:

- (11) AUSTIN J. RINELLA (D) VOTE: 29 yes
25 Island Heights Road 7 no
(Replacing Dr. Leonard Vinnick, 2 abstentions
whose term expired)

12/1/76

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:

- (12) JOHN ZELINSKI (D)
44 Morgan Street
- (13) ROBERT KELLY (D)
60 Aberdeen Street
- (14) MELVIN STERN (D)
144 Pond Road

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All of the above appointments were HELD IN COMMITTEE

BOARD OF TAXATION:

- (15) MEREDITH LEITCH (D)
110 Skymeadow Drive
- (16) JOHN WAYNE FOX (D)
17 Clovelly Road

12/1/77

12/1/78

The two above appointments were HELD IN COMMITTEE

SEWER COMMISSION:

- (17) ELMER KOCZANSKI (D)
90 Gutzon Borglum Road
(Replacing Joseph Rinaldi,
whose term expired)

12/1/78

The above appointment was HELD IN COMMITTEE

- (18) JOSEPH RINALDI (R)
(Replacing Ed Iacovo, Jr., who resigned)

12/1/75

The above name was withdrawn.

PATRIOTIC AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMISSION:

- (19) MRS. INEZ STANDARD (D)
40 North Street
(Replacing Steve Vitka, whose term expired)

12/1/78

The above name was withdrawn.

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SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY:

Term Ending:

(20)	<u>CHARLES GRINNELL</u> (R) 83 Wire Mill Road (Reappointment)	VOTE: 26 yes 10 no 2 abstentions	3/15/76 (2 yr. term)
(21)	<u>J. LOUIS RODRIGUEZ</u> (R) 173 Russett Road (Reappointment)	VOTE: 32 yes 6 no	3/15/75 (1 yr. term)

CONCERNING VACANCY ON PERSONNEL COMMISSION:

MRS. PONT-BRIANT asked that the President and the Majority Leader urge the Mayor to submit a Republican name for the seat vacated by Mrs. Frisbie on the Personnel Commission. She said there was a question raised on her side of the aisle as to whether there would be a Republican replaced in the vacancy and in checking back on her old Charter she finds that the new Charter contains an error in Chapter 73, Section 731 (e) of the Charter which was amended in the November 3, 1959 Referendum by adding the words (in referring to the Organization of the Personnel Commission) ".....shall not be members of the same political party,....." and when the new Charter was printed, this line was inadvertently left out. However, she said, a letter has been written to the codifier of the Charter, pointing out this omission, and it will soon be corrected when they issue the next Supplement. She said this will result in the Personnel Commission having three members - one, Classified Service appointment, and one Democrat and one Republican, which is the way it has always been since 1959. She said the one open seat on the Commission is a Republican vacancy and she therefore requests that this seat be filled immediately, because there are contracts coming up and reclassifications and upgrading and it is most important that there be a full complement on the Personnel Commission.

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MRS. LAITMAN, Chairman, presented her Committee report. She said the Committee met on Wednesday, March 27, 1974 and present were: Marilyn Laitman, Robert Crosby, Handy Dixon, Barbara Forman, Michael Loughran, Jerry Livingston, Gerald Rybnick, and Kim Varney. The absent members were: Norman Davidoff, and Mrs. Lois Pont-Briant.

She reported on the following items:

- (1) \$81,137.50 - POLICE DEPARTMENT -(Amount needed to meet obligations for fiscal year 1973-1974) - Partially approved on 3/4/74 with the following items held in Committee:

Code 530.0112 - Vacations	\$ 1,537.50
Code 530.2502 - Clothing Maintenance Allowance	79,600.00
	\$81,137.50

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded. She explained these funds had been held in Committee pending further investigations and a further meeting with Major McDonald clarified these items. Vacation slips are used for days off or turned in for cash and cash value is \$43.67 per slip and

if a man were brought back at time and a half, he would be paid \$69.96. She said the department feels it is more economical to use these slips.

She explained that the 1973-1974 Budget did not reflect the contract increase - \$300 under the approved contract is given each man and the 1972-1973 figure was pro-rated as the men joined the force. She said the Committee found these figures to be correct.

MR. RUSSBACH said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (2) \$1,515.00 - TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT - Code 525.0101. Salaries, for back salary increments for City Traffic Director from Oct. 1, 1972 and Oct. 1, 1973 (Salary to \$23,716.00 - Job Code from A-16-3 to A-16-4 and from A-16-4 to A-16-5 (Marcom) - Note: Hired Oct. 1971; See Minutes of Oct. 2, 1973, page 9845; also see Minutes of Sept. 11, 1972, pages 9346-47-48-49. (Mayor's letter of 2/8/74 requesting back salary merit increases)

MRS. LAITMAN said due to some confusion as to whether or not an increment is automatic or must be earned, the Committee is holding this item, pending an opinion from the Corporation Counsel. She said the Committee is also concerned about the "Employee Change Notice" which was not signed by the former Commissioner of Finance, George Aretakis. Therefore, the Committee recommends this be held in Committee.

- (3) \$740.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 510.0102 - Part-time help - (Mayor's letter of 2/25/74)

MRS. LAITMAN explained that these funds are for a part-time clerical position at \$1.85 per hour for a period not to exceed five months. She said the job provides a vocational opportunity for a minor on probation who will work a one half day and go to school a one half day and the funds will be 100% reimbursed. SHE MOVED for approval of the request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (4) \$1,158,225.00 - Resolution amending the 1973-1974 Capital Projects Budget, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE, by adding thereto Project to be known as "COMPLETION OF SMITH HOUSE" and appropriation of above amount therefor - (Mayor's letter of 3/7/74)

MRS. LAITMAN said these funds are required for completion of the Smith House addition. She said while recognizing the need for increased beds for the elderly, the Committee felt the amount requested went too far beyond the original estimate and they are concerned that even these new figures are not realistic. As an example, she said the contingency was originally 5% of the estimated cost and now it is 6% of the cost. Also, there has been an increase of 68% over the original figures. She said this is the second request for additional funds and the committee is particularly concerned that the architect by his own admission made an error and yet increased his fee by more than 50%.

She said the Committee recommends DENIAL of this request and further recommend that this Project be re-designed more conservatively and perhaps it could be smaller with provisions made for future expansion. SHE MOVED this be DENIED.

THE PRESIDENT said the motion would have to be a positive motion, so that the vote will be easier to understand - then a vote of "yes" would be a vote in favor of the appropriation and a vote of "no" one against.

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of the appropriation. Seconded.

MR. MARTINO said before we vote he would like to have a point clarified. He asked why the Committee denied the money for the Smith House.

MRS. LAITMAN explained and said they felt that the design was overly ambitious and that it should be re-designed more conservatively - perhaps not for the full complement of beds which they felt the City needed, but perhaps with room for expansion.

MR. MARTINO said then this will not be a complete building.

MRS. LAITMAN explained that this is for an ADDITION to the building and originally funds were appropriated and then the Welfare Commission came in last year for an additional \$300,000 they felt they needed because of additional demands that the State had made - then, when it went to bid it was discovered that the estimate was not entirely accurate, which often happens, but this one was particularly higher by over a million dollars and the Fiscal Committee felt that despite the recognized need for this addition to the Smith House, that they could not support it.

MR. LIVINGSTON said he sat in on the original meetings with the Welfare Commission and the Architect and they sold us a "bill of goods" and at the time he felt he was doing something for the senior citizens of Stamford. Then, he said, a few months later they were told that some mistakes were made and then he realized that the people who claimed they made the mistake would profit from their mistake. He said he has yet to vote against anything for the senior citizens, but after reading the letter and listening to the presentation, the only conclusion he reached was that perhaps the Police or the F. B. I. should be called. He said all he can say is that the present plans should be scrapped completely and we should start all over again and build something that is worthy of the City of Stamford. He said he had found that some of the companies that made the appraisal were the companies who also bid on it and their bids were very much out of line with their appraisal. For this reason, he said he cannot vote in favor of it.

MR. CONNORS said every year we wait and put this off, the more expensive it gets.

MRS. LAITMAN said it was made clear that the early estimate was only a rough estimate and there was a new approach after that, and it has been proven that there is no advantage in estimating and then bidding on a job, and they were not the winning bidder.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI during the last Board, they did go over the plans and realize that we do need an addition to the Smith House and at that time we allowed an additional appropriation around \$300,000 to complete the job. He said he fails to understand how they could have underestimated by over a million dollars. He said perhaps we can take a second look and eliminate some of the frills, and come up with a realistic estimate.

MR. TRUGLIA said he is quite concerned about the recommendation for denial by the Fiscal Committee. He asked how long it has been since this plan was devised.

MRS. LAITMAN said it was early in 1971.

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MR. LOUGHRAN said the answer they were given to that question was September of 1972.

MR. TRUGLIA said in the event this is denied tonight, what then will be the new projection date?

MRS. LAITMAN said they have been told by the Welfare Commission that it would extend this by a year. She reminded the speaker that the Fiscal Committee recommends a total new design, and by doing this, it will cause delay by about a year, that there will be increased construction costs and there might be a reduction in the size of the project, and that there is a definite need for more nursing beds. Yet, she said, taking all of this into consideration, the Committee still felt it should be denied.

MR. TRUGLIA urged no further delay and said he considers this point to be crucial, because of the tremendous waiting list, and the families are being drained.

MR. MAYNOR urged approval and said some of these people will be dead before the building is finished.

MRS. FORMAN said she thinks this can be built cheaper, and it was a difficult decision because they did realize the need, but if we wait we will have a better facility in the end and it will cost less.

MR. LOUGHRAN said the original estimate for the architect's fees has gone from \$75,000 to \$120,000 - an increase of \$45,000, and the "Miscellaneous" category was \$12,000 and has more than doubled now to \$26,500 and the provision for "Contingencies" which in the original appropriation was at 5% of the estimated construction cost, now comes in at six tenths of 1% and in terms of applying the original 5% which we regard as being low, the new construction cost, this provision for contingencies is about \$105,000 short. He said all of these items as well as those mentioned by Mrs. Laitman, were taken into consideration in the Committees' deliberations. He said for the Committee to have acted in any other way would be extending an open invitation to any Board or Commission in this City to come in with an unrealistically low estimate, and then come back weeks or months later and ask for a substantial increase. He said at a project originally estimated at a million, eight, we are now being asked for two million, seven, which is an unrealistic increase.

MR. GUROIAN said he believes the Committee has acted in good conscience and he must point out that we must also consider those who have to pay the taxes, many of whom are senior citizens and people on fixed incomes, and we are here to look out for their best interests.

MR. COLASSO asked what was the difference between the original estimated cost per square foot and what it now is.

MRS. LAITMAN said she only has the construction cost - the first bid was \$26.40 a sq. ft., and the last was at \$42.06 a sq. ft.

After considerable further debate, MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for a RECESS, which was approved. The members recessed at 10:10 P.M. and the recess was over at 10:45 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the question. (#4 under Fiscal Committee) He explained that the motion was made in such a way that a "yes" vote would be for approval and a "no" vote would be for denial.

A ROLL CALL VOTE was requested. There being over one-fifth of the members present in favor, a roll call vote was decided upon. He explained it requires a two-thirds vote for approval.

The appropriation was DENIED by the following roll call vote of 13 in favor, 24 opposed, and 1 abstention:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR:

BLOIS, Julius (D)
COLASSO, John (D)
CONNORS, George (D)
COSTELLO, Robert (D)
DeROSE, Joseph (D)
FLANAGAN, William (R)
MARTINO, Vincent (D)
MAYNOR, Frederick (D)
PERILLO, Alfred (D)
PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)
SAINBURG, Richard (R)
TRESSER, Michael (R)
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

ABSTAINING:

RYBNICK, Gerald (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION:

BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)
CROSBY, Robert (R)
DAVIDOFF, Norman (D)
DIXON, Handy (D)
FORMAN, Barbara (R)
GAMBINO, Philip (D)
GUROLAN, Armen (D)
HOFFMAN, Leonard (R)
KELLY, James (D)
LAITMAN, Marilyn (D)
LIVINGSTON, Jeremiah (D)
LOUGHRAN, Michael (D)
MILLER, Frederick (D)
MORABITO, Joseph (D)
PERKINS, Billie (R)
RAVALLESE, George (D)
ROSE, Matthew (D)
ROSS, Salvan (D)
RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)
SANDOR, John (D)
SERRANI, Thom (D)
WALSH, Peter (D)
ZIMBLER, Kurt (R)

(5) \$25,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.0103 - Overtime - (Mayor's letter od 3/4/74) - REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$23,701.04)

The above item was HELD IN COMMITTEE.

(6) \$6,500.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.1705, Automotive Maintenance - (Mayor's letter of 3/4/74)

MRS. LAITMAN said the original budget request for this item was reduced to \$30,000 by the Mayor. SHE MOVED for approval of the \$13,000 requested.

MR. ROSE said the Health & Protection Committee concurs and seconded the motion.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED to amend to approve half of the \$13,000 at this time - \$6,500 and to hold the balance of \$6,500 in Committee and also would like to recommend to the Fiscal Committee that the Police Department bring in certified bills for all bills paid on this account before the Committee releases the other \$6,500.

MRS. LAITMAN said she would accept the amendment. MR. ROSE said he also would accept the amendment.

VOTE taken on the motion as amended and CARRIED.

- (7) \$3,100.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a GRANT from the State of Connecticut to partially reimburse the cost of employment of a Cooperative Work Experience Counselor at one of the high schools-
(Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2/20/74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this is a Grant to aid a drop-out prevention program at Westhill High School. SHE MOVED for approval of the request. Seconded by Mr. Livingston, who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs in approval.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said it seemed to her that this was for a much larger amount and asked what the yearly salary was for this position.

MRS. LAITMAN said it was originally a total Grant for \$10,000, but because of the time at which it was approved, it was pro-rated. She explained it is for children who are over 16 and not college bound. She said they work half a day and go to school and the same thing was previously approved at Westhill.

VOTE taken on the above and CARRIED.

- (8) \$6,791.30 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a GRANT from State of Connecticut under Title III of P.L. 91-230 Adult Education Act of 1966, for a special Pilot Project "Expanding Educational Opportunities for the Mentally Retarded adult, for the 1973-1974 fiscal year - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter 2/20/74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this is a State funded Grant for a special Pilot project at expanding educational opportunities for the mentally retarded. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee concurs in approval.

MR. TRUGLIA asked how many will this program take care of.

MRS. LAITMAN said approximately 21 have expressed interest in it.

MR. TRUGLIA asked how can they express interest. Mrs. Laitman said perhaps their parents or their guardians did so.

MR. TRUGLIA asked what is the age level. Mrs. Laitman said these are young adults and this program is a part of the adult education program.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said she would assume under 20 as the letter says they left school before graduation and are now unemployed.

MRS. LAITMAN said she assumes the grade is important more than the age level and would probably run from a 2nd to a 6th grade level. She said the training is important in order that they be able to earn a livelihood.

MR. MORABITO asked if this will duplicate what the aid for the retarded is doing.

After considerable discussion, MR. GAMBINO MOVED THE QUESTION, Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken on the question and CARRIED.

- (9) \$1,200.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a GRANT from the Connecticut State Department of Education for Project entitled "Local Vocational Youth Organization Advisor Support" - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of the above. She said this is a State funded Grant offering assistance to vocational youth programs in the High Schools (Westhill and Rippowam). Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED.

- (10) \$500.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received as a GRANT from State of Connecticut, as a 100% prepaid Grant for fiscal year 1973-1974 - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 2-20-74)

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of the above request. She said this will help fund an orientation program for volunteers and for teachers working with volunteers in their classrooms. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (11) \$52,000.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Anticipated DEFICIT in the FUEL ACCOUNT, due to the rising cost of fuel - (Letter from Dr. Carpenter, dated 2-20-74 - Reduced by Board of Finance from \$61,600)

MRS. LAITMAN said these funds will cover the additional costs of fuel oil anticipated in this account. She said considerable efforts have been made to conserve energy in the use of fuel oil and electricity, but a deficit is still projected. SHE MOVED for approval of the request.

MR. LIVINGSTON seconded the motion and said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED.

- (12) SPRINGDALE SCHOOL - To increase the debt limit, presently at \$2,125,500 for the Springdale School Media Center and Classroom Addition Project by \$104,600.00 for a new limit of \$2,230,100.00 in order to award contract for the first phase of construction within the SIXTY DAY BID HOLDING LIMIT - (See Mayor's letter dated 3-14-74) - NOTE: Requires PRIOR approval of the Planning Board, per Corporation Counsel's opinion of 8-21-69 to the Board of Finance) - Ordered on agenda, pending approval by Planning Board.)

MRS. LAITMAN said as in the case of Rogers School, we are now being asked to approve an increase in the present fiscal limit of \$2,125,500 for the Springdale School by \$104,600 for a new limit of \$2,230,100 and about 50% of these funds will be reimburseable. She said based on bid facts, revision of construction costs with alternates, this increase is necessary in order to award the contract. SHE MOVED for approval of this request.

MR. LIVINGSTON seconded the motion and said the EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT Committee concurs in approval.

VOTE TAKEN on the motion and CARRIED unanimously.

- (13) \$100,000.00 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE - For Workmen's Compensation Claims - Code 132.0800, Employees Medical & Hospital - (Mayor's letter dated 3/13/74)

MRS. LAITMAN said these claims are handled by the Corporation Counsel's Office. She said there is a wealth of documentation submitted for each claim and since the City is self insured, we have no choice except to pay them.

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She said it is the recommendation of the Fiscal Committee that we seek coverage with a private insurance carrier who has the investigative staff to do extensive field work and tabulate and analyze injuries which might result in a cut in claims. She said a side carrier might also process claims on a fee basis and these should be explored by Controller William Buchanan. She said efforts to cut claims by the enforcement of safety standards would also be beneficial to the City by reducing these claims.

SHE MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Russbach, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. He said they also made a recommendation to the Finance Commissioner that the City consider the advisability of engaging a private insurance company to administer the program and also, rather than having the City be a self insurer, do this through a private company. In this way we would have the advantage of having computerization, medical analysis available on the claims, have expert administration and investigative facilities that we do not now have, and this would prove a far cheaper way to handle it.

VOTE taken on the motion to approve and CARRIED unanimously.

- (14) \$10,000.00 - CORPORATION COUNSEL - Code 110.0901, Special Professional Services - (Mayor's letter of 2-11-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this account covers outside Counsel appraisers, Court Costs, publications, etc. She said these funds were cut at Budget time and the amount left was committed by the prior administration. She said the Committee approves the effort made by the present Corporation Counsel in trying to avoid seeking outside legal counsel whenever possible. SHE MOVED for approval of the request. Seconded by Mr. Serrani, who said the Legislative & Rules Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (15) \$700.00 - BUILDING BOARD OF APPEALS - For the following - (Mayor's letter of 2-8-74)

Code 139.0104 - Overtime meetings	\$300.00
Code 139.0301 - Stationery & Postage	100.00
Code 139.0401 - Advertising & Printing	100.00
Code 139.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph	50.00
Code 139.0601 - General Materials & Supplies	100.00
Code 139.2102 - Dues & Subscriptions	50.00
	<u>\$700.00</u>

MRS. LAITMAN said this was considerably reduced by the Board of Finance. She said this Board (Building Board of Appeals) was created in 1973 and was not formed in time to have been included in the last Operating Budget. She said these funds will cover 17 more meetings. SHE MOVED for approval of the request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (16) Concerning request for WAIVER OF PAYMENT OF ICE SKATING FEES TO THE PARK DEPARTMENT in letter from Board of Recreation dated 2-8-74 - For the reason that the Park Department wishes payment for use of the skating rink and the Board of Recreation has no funds for such fees; Mr. Giordano also points out in his letter that the Board of Recreation does not have to pay rent for use of school facilities - (Note: See Minutes of 3-4-74, item #10 on page 9959; also see item #27 under Steering Committee Report, meeting of March 18, 1974)

MRS. LAITMAN said the above item was not on the agenda, but had been referred to the Fiscal Committee as well as the Parks & Recreation Committee. She said her Committee met briefly with the Board of Recreation, Mr. Giordano, the Park Commission and Mr. Connell. She said the Committee has no recommendation, but did hope that the situation could be resolved by a meeting of the Commission set up by Mayor Lenz.

THE PRESIDENT said this is also in the Parks & Recreation Committee and has been in that Committee for the last month or two.

MR. BLOIS, Chairman of the Parks & Recreation Committee, said he is going to hold this in Committee.

- (17) \$80,278.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To cover Special Milk Program for balance of Fiscal year from 12/1/73 through 6/30/74 -
(Held in Fiscal Committee by the 12th Board on 11/13/73, being reduced by above amount) - (Letter dated 3-1-74 from Dr. Carpenter)

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to bring the above matter on the floor. Seconded and CARRIED.

She said the Committee asked for an investigation of alternatives to using Milk Maids, perhaps by the substitution of vending machines. She said the Fiscal Committee had requested some research on this matter by Mr. Reed, the Assistant Supt. for Business and he felt at the moment that the use of volunteers would result in a citation from the City Health Department and under the existing contract the milk vendor is not interested in selling his product through vending machines as it would require a substantial financial outlay to purchase additional machines. She said we do get a subsidy of three cents per pint of milk and if a vending machine took over the sale of milk, the price charged the students would be 15¢ to 20¢ as against the price of 6¢ now charged and the 15¢ price would be available only if we allowed the vendor to sell other products at the same time.

She said Mr. Reed said he has been informed by the Purchasing Agent that we could not break our contract with the present Dairy to switch to a vending machine contract as we are bound to honor our contract agreement for the balance of the fiscal year.

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of the above appropriation. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (18) \$110,000.00 - Resolution No. 938 - Amending 1973-1974 Capital Projects Budget by adding Project known as "PUBLIC WORKS, NEW CONSTRUCTION - 1958-1960 CONVENTIONAL INCINERATOR" and appropriation of aforesaid sum therefor - (Mayor's letter of 4-1-74)

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of SUSPENSION OF THE RULES in order to take up the above matter. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. LAITMAN said we have had word this evening that the Board of Finance has approved this tonight, subject to approval by the Planning Board (Approved by Planning Board on April 9, 1974). She said this amount, if approved, would be

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deducted from the amount in the 1974-1975 Budget for this purpose and it is necessary, while the contractor is still on the job to get the 1958 Incinerator operational and by doing this, we can burn conventional refuse and begin to curtail the costly haulaway program. She said the aim is to use the Multiple Purpose Incinerator properly by diverting the conventional waste to the proper facility and restrict the Multiple Purpose Incinerator to over-size burnable waste, and that we will still be hauling ashes and inert material which are non-burnable. She said the debris from the URC area will also be hauled away, but it is hoped that this will eventually end.

She said this appropriation will cover rehabilitation of the furnace chamber, strengthen it underpinnings and give it the equivalency of a new facility. She said City forces are being used as much as possible; considerable money has been saved by not using consulting engineers. She said there is a one year guarantee.

She said ultimately all burnable material should be eliminated from the haulaway program, thus saving \$6.00 per ton.

MRS. LATTMAN MOVED for approval of the following resolution, subject to approval by the Planning Board. Seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 938

AMENDING 1973-1974 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING A PROJECT
KNOWN AS "PUBLIC WORKS - NEW CONSTRUCTION - 1958-1960 CONVENTIONAL
INCINERATOR" AND APPROPRIATION OF \$110,000.00 THEREFOR

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the 1973-1974 Capital Projects Budget, Public Works Department, for the addition of funds in the amount of \$110,000.00 for Project to be known as "New Construction - 1958-1960 Conventional Incinerator" and appropriation of aforesaid sum therefor.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. SERRANI, Chairman, said his Committee met on Thursday, March 21st and present were Representatives Davidoff, Mrs. Pont-Briant, Flanagan, Mrs. Perkins, Serrani, Sainburg, Morabito and Walsh. He said Mr. Maynor was absent. He reported on the following items:

- (1) Proposed INLAND-WETLAND Ordinance entitled "CONCERNING INLAND-WETLANDS AND WATER COURSES" — (Mayor's letter of 8/13/74) — (Held in Committee 9/10/73, 10/2/73 and NOT ordered on the agenda for 11/13/73) — NOTE: An open hearing was held on 1/24/74 at the Stillmeadow School at 8 P.M. by the 13th Board's Legislative & Rules Committee — No action was taken at the 2/4/74 Board meeting — held in Committee and again on 3/4/74)

The above item was held in Committee, pending more study. Mr. Serrani said he hopes to have something in time for the next meeting.

- (2) Final adoption of Ordinance concerning "REGULATION OF SALE OF GASOLINE IN CITY OF STAMFORD" -- (Adopted for publication 3/4/74; published 3/8/74.
NOTE: An open hearing to be held on Wednesday, March 20, 1974 in the Municipal Office Building at 8 P.M.)

MR. SERRANI said the above ordinance is being held in Committee, pending another crisis and if there is one, it will be brought out at that time.

- (3) Letter to Board of Representatives dated 1/31/74 from Chairman of Flood & Erosion Control Board, concerning proposed legislation covering Sections 7-146 and 7-147 of State Statutes which deals with the setting of encroachment lines -- Held in Committee on 3-4-74

MR. SERRANI said the above matter was held in Committee.

- (4) Request to adopt an Ordinance concerning "TAX EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY CHILD CARE CENTER OF STAMFORD, INC., formerly known as the STAMFORD DAY NURSERY" -- (Pursuant to Section 12-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes; DISAPPROVED by the Tax Assessor for the reason that this is vacant land and nothing has been built on it and it is therefor ineligible at this time) (Requested in letter dated 1-11-74 from Howard C. Kaplan, Esq., law firm of Wolfsey, Rosen, Kveskin & Kuriansky)

MR. SERRANI MOVED for WAIVER OF PUBLICATION of the above Ordinance. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. SERRANI MOVED for adoption of the following Ordinance. Seconded by Mr. Davidoff, Mrs. Perkins and others. CARRIED unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 285 SUPPLEMENTAL

TAX EXEMPTION FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY CHILD CARE CENTER OF STAMFORD, INC., FORMERLY KNOWN AS STAMFORD DAY NURSERY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Pursuant to Section 12-81b of the Connecticut General Statutes, that the property of Child Care Center of Stamford, Inc., formerly known as Stamford Day Nursery, known as Card S 005, Lot 00000000 Palms Hill Road be exempted from taxation on the List of September 1, 1972 and September 1, 1973.

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

- (5) Proposed Resolution (No. 939) naming the Magee Avenue Firefighters Training Center the "CHARLES R. McREDMOND FIREFIGHTERS TRAINING CENTER" (Mayor's letter of 3/8/74)

MR. SERRANI MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded by many members and CARRIED by unanimous vote:

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RESOLUTION NO. 939NAMING MAGEE AVENUE FIREFIGHTERS TRAINING CENTER THE "CHARLES R. McREDMOND FIREFIGHTERS TRAINING CENTER"

WHEREAS, the late Fire Chief Charles R. McRedmond was a leading advocate in the field of training firefighters in modern firefighting and rescue techniques, and

WHEREAS, Frederick P. Lenz, Jr., the Mayor of the City of Stamford, has recognized the outstanding contributions, accomplishments and endeavors of Charles R. McRedmond with respect to said techniques, and

WHEREAS, the late Chief was one of the leaders in effectuating the acquisition of the Magee Avenue property for the purpose of erecting a drill tower and training facility for use by all of the firefighters of the City of Stamford, both paid and volunteer, and

WHEREAS, the late Chief expended much time, effort and energy towards the erection and completion of such a training facility;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Fire Commissioners of the City of Stamford deem it fitting and proper and hereby recommends to the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that the training center located on Magee Avenue be designated and hereafter known as "THE CHARLES R. McREDMOND FIREFIGHTERS TRAINING CENTER" as a lasting tribute to the memory of Fire Chief Charles R. McRedmond and in recognition of his dedication, zeal and devotion to the needs of the firefighters of the City of Stamford.

- (6) REVISED FEE SCHEDULES FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT - (Originally submitted by Dr. Gofstein in letter dated 3-20-72) - (Held in Committee 6-12-72, 7-10-72, 8-7-72, 9-11-72 and 10-2-72 - Printed in Minutes of Nov. 13, 1972 page 9428 thru 9433; published in Stamford Advocate on 11/25/72, but never was given final approval by the 12th Board)

The above item was held in Committee.

- (7) Resolution to ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTY APPROXIMATELY 1.2491 ACRES ALONG THE NOROTON RIVER within the boundary of the Town of Darien, pursuant to Section 2-14 of the State Statutes -- NOTE: REQUIRES A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF BOTH THE BOARD OF FINANCE AND THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MR. SERRANI said this was held in Committee pending action by the Darien Board of Selectmen.

- (8) CONDEMNATION RESOLUTION -- Concerning THREE SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE COMPLETION OF STORM SEWER SYSTEM KNOWN AS "SHIPPAN, CONTRACT 4B" (Affected properties owned by Leslie and Sarah C. Winik, Charles Bennett Norman and Elizabeth B. Norman and Philip Morse - Mayor's letter of 3-12-74 -- This was approved by the Planning Board 3-19-74; however, the Board of Finance is not meeting until 4-11-74 and requires their approval.)

The above item was held in Committee, pending approval by the Board of Finance.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. ROSE, Chairman, said he has a report to make on the findings in regard to the BLUE NOTE CAFE which he read at this time. His report follows:

"The Health & Protection Committee at it's January 24, 1974 meeting respond to a petition submitted by Mr. Armen Guroian Representative of the 7th District on behalf of resident's on Courtland Avenue and Maple Tree Avenue, complaining about noise created by patrons of the Blue Note Cafe.

Committee members present were Crosby, Tresser, Gambino and Rose. Mr. Guroian and four (4) residents of Courtland Avenue and Maple Tree Avenue, Mr. Jack Meltzer and Mr. Mark Katz from the Blue Note Cafe.

From this meeting the committee made (4) Recommendations to the owners of the Blue Note for their consideration and action and that the Committee and Representative of the 7th District Armen Guroian and Peter Walsh, in 30 days will check on the progress resulting from these recommendations.

#1. We recommend that as soon as weather permits, your parking area behind the Blue Note Cafe should be paved and prepared to accommodate maximum parking facilities for Blue Note Cafe patrons. This would require the removal of a tree in the center of this area as well.

#2. We are asking that you present to our committee a letter of intent signed by the principals of the J & P Chevron Station regarding the use of their lot by your patrons. Either they are willing to authorize parking in that area, or not, this point should be clarified in writing.

#3. We request that within your Cafe you clearly post a sign advising your customers of the parking facilities you have provided, if this area is filled to maximum, patrons are to be instructed that secondary parking would be the use of all legal "on street" parking within the area of your establishment.

#4. The Special Policemen which you are providing should be stationed outside of the Blue Note Cafe premises between the hours of 10 P.M. to closing. The purpose of the policeman and/or policemen would be to control any excessive noises or disturbances that could occur.

The Health and Protection Committee met on Wednesday, March 13, 1974 at 8:00 P.M., present were Committee members Crosby, Gambino and Rose.

Mr. Jack Meltzer, Mr. Andrew Katz from the Blue Note Cafe, Peter Walsh and Armen Guroian 7th District Representatives, renewal of recommendations are as follows:

#1. Tree contracted to be removed from parking lot by April 15th.

#2. The question of parking at the J & P Chevron Station were not cleared at this meeting, since then a member of this Committee was told by the owner (Mr. Peter Tasiopoulos) that he has no objection to Patrons of the Blue Note Parking.

#3. Signs were posted and patrons advised of legal parking area.

#4. Special Police have been provided by owner to maintain order inside and outside of premises.

The Committee fines that noise has been lessened, parking has been improved.

Police reports show that seven calls were made for complaints, one of these seven a disturbance was found.

The Committee also believes that if each disturbance is reported and dealt with when they occur, there will be continuous improvement for all concerned.

Submitted by
Health & Protection Committee

(Signed by
Matthew Rose - Chairman
Robert Crosby - Vice-Chairman
John Sandor
Philip Gambino
Michael Tresser

REPORT OF THE MAYOR'S COMMITTEE ON WATER QUALITY

MR. CROSBY, a member of the Health & Protection Committee, reported on the above matter. He said the Committee met on March 13, 1974 with Representatives Sandor, Tresser, Chairman Rose and himself, at which time they review the above report which was submitted to Mayor Lenz on February 15, 1974. He said the following members of the Committee were also in attendance: Dr. Sydney Sussman, Dr. Michael Sabia, Mrs. Aleksandra Nawakowski.

He said Dr. Sussman was called upon to give a synopsis of their report - particularly their recommendations and Mrs. Nawakowski brought forth a Minority Report in regard to the high manganese content of the Stamford water.

He said in view of her minority report, she was in agreement with the over all report of the Committee.

He said it was the opinion of all the Health & Protection Committee to accept the Committee's report and recommendations and to move on their recommendations as quickly as possible, and in order to sustain the momentum of this fine report, the Committee recommends that the Stamford Water Company submit to our municipality a time table of both their short range and long term planning and they also feel that time table should be given within the next 30 to 45 days and this time table should specifically cover their recommendations, which would be to intensify the flushing and cleaning of the present water mains and also a specific time table as to construction of a water filtration plant.

He said it is also the opinion of the Committee that a City employee or office be instituted full time or part time in order to coordinate the implementation of the Stamford Water Company's plan in line with this Committee's report.

MR. CROSBY MOVED to accept the Committee report "as is", requesting the Stamford Water Company to implement a "Time table" to us within the next 30 to 45 days as to their short range and long range planning that can be started almost immediately.

THE PRESIDENT informed the speaker that this has to be a sense of the Board resolution as we really have no power to compel the water company to do this. He called for a seconder to Mr. Crosby's motion.

After some further discussion and two amendments which Mr. Crosby accepted, the following resolution was CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 940

CONCERNING REPORT OF WATER QUALITY COMMITTEE SUBMITTED TO
MAYOR FREDERICK P. LENZ, JR.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that the report of the Water Quality Committee as submitted to Mayor Lenz be accepted "as is" and that the Stamford Water Company be requested to implement a time table within the next 30 days as to their long range and short range plan and that their time table specifically cover their recommendation #1 which would be to intensify the flushing and cleaning of present water mains and #2, that a specific "time table" as to the construction of the water filtration plant be submitted, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a City employee or office be instituted either full or part time in order to coordinate the implementation of the Stamford Water Company's plan in line with the Committee's report.

There were two amendments to the above resolution which were also accepted, as follows:

- (1) That a complete flushing be done as soon as possible,
- (2) That an analysis of the manganese content of the water be done both before and after the flushing.

At this time, Mr. Colasso, Mr. Truglia and Mr. Maynor were excused from the meeting (11:45 P.M.) --- (Mr. Russbach also left at this time)

Concerning request by Anthony Truglia, 5th District Representative, that the QUALITY OF THE DRINKING WATER IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD, AS PROVIDED BY THE STAMFORD WATER CO. be investigated by a Committee of this Board as to its true content of manganese and its relationship to the good health of the citizens of Stamford - (Presented at the March 4, 1974 Board meeting and referred to the Steering Committee)

MR. ROSE said his Committee believes that we do not have the proper equipment to determine the proper manganese content in our water supply, and the Health Department would need a great deal more equipment in order to make these tests. He said this is his understanding and it is the feeling of his Committee that at this time we do not know of the personnel of the Health Department will be increased. Also he said the Water Co. has already investigated the manganese content, and it is his understanding that they have discovered the manganese content of the water varies constantly and is never at the same level, so the exact content would be difficult to determine.

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THE PRESIDENT observed that the hour is late and we are spending a lot of time on this one item and are not anywhere near the end of the agenda.

MR. FLANAGAN pointed out that there is no level set by the Federal Government as to the harmful manganese content of the water, and it is far beyond our scope.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. BLOIS, Chairman, MOVED for suspension of the rules in order to bring the following matter on the agenda. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

PETITION NO. 386 - Request for 1974 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE AND PARADE - MAY 27, 1974

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

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

MR. ROSS, Chairman, said his Committee met on Thursday, March 21st and present were: Representatives Guroian, Tresser and himself. Absent were Representatives Rose and Sainburg. He said they took up the items referred to his Committee and also had a joint meeting with the Legislative & Rules Committee and an item under the URC Committee. He said he is in receipt of a letter from Mr. Sotire, Building & Zoning Enforcement officer which he read at this time in regard to certain alleged zoning violations, at the Martin Luther King Apartments, in which he said the pre-school children living in the building have access to the room occupied by the Mountain Top Day Nursery after hours, as long as they are supervised by adults, and that the gates are locked after 5 P.M. which is a security measure, but the Supt. of the premises who also lives in the building can furnish a key upon request. He said in regard to Coleman Towers, which is owned by the Faith Tabernacle Baptist Church, under the name of the New Hope Corporation, there are two pre-childrens' play areas on the property - one is on the inside of the building and the other is on the outside. He said Mr. Macri of the Building Dept. informed Mrs. Audrey Smith, the Director of the facilities, that these play areas should be accessible to the children at all hours - 7 days a week, and a letter is being sent to the Rev. Samuel White, informing him of the requirements of our zoning regulations. He said Mrs. Smith informed Mr. Macri that there is a large room within the building which is available for children between the ages of 6 to 12 for after school recreation and that the schedules they are now working under appear to be satisfactory to their tenants as they have never received any complaint.

MR. ROSS said his Committee has a "Sense of the Board" resolution which he presented at this time and MOVED for suspension of the rules to consider. Seconded and CARRIED. HE MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 941

CONCERNING UPDATING MASTER PLAN AND MAKING COPIES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

WHEREAS, it has been twenty years since the adoption of the Master Plan, and to date, copies of the Plan have not been made available to the public, and

WHEREAS, it would be a public service to make copies of the Master Plan available, and

WHEREAS, a reasonable charge for the Plan could cover its expense;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, that this body recognizes a need exists for copies of the Stamford Master Plan be made available for public distribution, thereby encouraging a greater public understanding of the Master Plan form and content, also charging the Planning Board with the responsibility of satisfying this need.

MR. DeROSE and MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI were excused at this time (12:40 A.M.)

PETITIONS:

MR. MORABITO said he has a petition which he thinks should be referred to the Urban Renewal Committee. It was held for the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

FISCAL COMMITTEE meeting to be held Wednesday, April 3, 1974.

MEETING OF LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 1974

THE PRESIDENT announced that the Joint Public Hearing of the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives will be held APRIL 9, 1974 at the RIPPWAM HIGH SCHOOL, at 8 P.M.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

Request in letter dated 3/18/74 from URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION for DISPOSAL OF A SLIVER PARCEL OF LAND TO THE ABUTTING LAND OWNER, Stamford Enterprises, Inc. (Approx. 2,360 sq. ft. at the purchase price of \$2,250.00) — NOTE: Proper resolution of conveyance or Ordinance is being prepared by Barry Boodman, Esq. Assistant Corporation Counsel. VF)

MR. FLANAGAN said he is awaiting the proper document from the Corporation Counsel and as soon as it is available he will convene the Committee. He said he is hoping that the 3 Committees concerned can get together and meet on this matter.

MR. SEHRANI and MR. ROSS said they will endeavor to meet with the URC Committee.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:

MR. RYERNICK said he just wants to inform the Board members who do not have car plaques, that he has them on order.

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR:

THE PRESIDENT said he is in receipt of a letter from the Mayor dated March 28, 1974 in which he advises him that he is withdrawing the name of Mrs. Standard who he had appointed to the Patriotic and Special Events Commission and that she has for personal reasons requested the Mayor to withdraw her name.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

THE PRESIDENT said he is in receipt of a letter from Senator Abraham Ribicoff, thanking the Board of Representatives for allowing him the use of the Board room on March 18, 1974, on the future development of Long Island Sound.

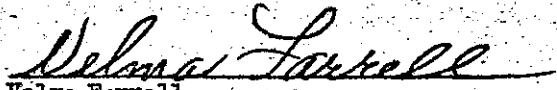
OLD BUSINESS

MR. BLOIS asked if the new Board members would be given Binders.

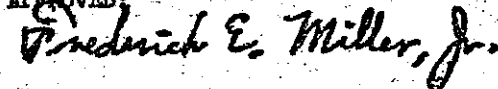
THE PRESIDENT suggested that the matter be brought up at the next meeting of the Steering Committee and perhaps a solution can be found.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 A.M.


Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant and
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:


Frederick E. Miller, Jr., President
13th Board of Representatives

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