

MINUTES OF JULY 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, July 1, 1974 in the Board's meeting room, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Frederick E. Miller, Jr., at 8:55 P.M. after a caucus by the respective parties.

INVOCATION was given by Rev. William Howie, Bible Protestant Church.

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

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A moment of silence was observed at this time in the memory of the following:

James Loughran, brother of Michael Loughran (D), Rep., 13th District  
The young people who lost their lives in the fire in Port Chester;  
The mother of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.;  
Robert L. Lewis, former member of the Board of Representatives; and  
Frank Robinson, brother-in-law of Michael Tresser (R) Rep., 11th Dist.

MRS. LAITMAN moved that a letter of condolence be sent to the families of all those who are honored by the Board with a moment of silence tonight and in the future. The motion was seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

CHECK OF VOTING MACHINE:

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

ROLL CALL:

Roll Call was taken by the Clerk, Mrs. Marilyn Laitman. There were 38 present and 2 absent. The absent members were:

Michael Loughran (D) 13th District (death in family)  
Vincent Martino (D) 10th District

PAGES:

Fran Barcello and Susan Horton, students at St. Gabriel's School.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES:

THE PRESIDENT said that last month the Board said farewell to Mrs. Velma Farrell, who had been administrative Assistant to the Board for the past 19 years, and since that time he has appointed Mrs. Farrell's successor, Mrs. Sally Flaherty, who is present this evening for the first time. He said the Board is looking forward to working with her in the future. He then read a "Call" to a Special Dinner to honor Mrs. Farrell, as follows:

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"We, the 13th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to the High Regard and Esteem with which we held our Administrative Assistant Velma Farrell, do hereby call a SPECIAL DINNER of all past and present members of the Board of Representatives for:

Wednesday, July 24, 1974  
At Clairol, Incorporated  
1 Blachley Road, Stamford, Conn.  
At 6:30 p.m.

For the following purpose:

To honor and gnetly "roast" our long suffering  
Administrative Assistant

The reason for this action is due to the retirement of Velma Farrell after 20 years of meritorious service to us and the City of Stamford."

The President said the Co-chairman for this event are Mrs. Pont-Briant and Mrs. Laitman and that tickots are being handled by Mr. Flanagan and Mr. Gambino and that he is appointing all members of the 13th Board as members of the ticket committee.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE - 1973-74 fiscal year - (In accordance with Sec. 303.1 of the Stamford Charter)

MAYOR FREDERICK P. LENZ, JR., was escorted to the podium by Mr. John Boccuzzi, Majority Leader, and Mr. Robert Emiclios, Minority Leader. He presented his Annual Message for the 1973-74 fiscal year. For the reason that all Board Members were furnished with copies, it is not included in the Minutes.

Following his address, the Mayor left the meeting.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: May 10, 1974 and  
May 13, 1974 (Budget meetings)  
June 3, 1974

THE PRESIDENT said the minutes of the June 3rd meeting are to be changed to indicate that Mr. Rose was absent because of illness.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI moved for the acceptance of the above minutes with the correction noted by the President. The motion was seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting held Monday, June 17, 1974

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held Monday, June 17, 1974 in the Democratic Caucus Room, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

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The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and President of the Board, Frederick E. Miller, Jr., at 8 P.M. All members were present. Also present, but not as members were: Norman Davidoff, Peter Walsh and Barbara Forman.

(1) Mayor's Annual Message:

Above ORDERED ON AGENDA as first order of business.

(2) Mayor's Appointments:

One appointment held in Committee on 6-3-74, being an appointment to the Parking Authority, five appointments to the newly created Environmental Protection Board, one appointment to the Board of Ethics, one appointment to the Patriotic & Special Events Commission and one appointment to the Public Welfare Commission were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE.

(3) Additional Appropriations:

Sixteen additional appropriations were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under the FISCAL COMMITTEE. Those over \$2,000 were also referred to a secondary Committee, as per Rule #10 of the Rules of Order.

(4) Revised Fee Schedules for Health Department:

The above item, held in Committee 6-3-74 was again ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE.

(5) Final adoption of Ordinance for creation of a "TENANT MEDIATION BOARD"  
(Approved for publication 6-3-74; published 6-7-74)(6) LEASE Renewal Agreement with the HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB, INC., for a TEN YEAR PERIOD, starting at \$2,320.00 for the first year and increasing each year to \$5,800 during the 10th year, SUBJECT to the proviso that, to the extent that mill rates increase during the lease period, lease payments will be correspondingly higher (Mayor's letter of 5-14-74)

The above item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE. Also referred to PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE.

(7) Proposed Ordinance entitled: "CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND SHIRLEY A. WALTER AND F. RICHARD WALTER"  
(Being an exchange of EASEMENTS between the City of Stamford and above parties, which is necessary for the use and maintenance of highway purposes on DARTLEY STREET EXTENSION in the City of Stamford) - (Mayor's letter of 6-4-74)

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

(8) Proposed CHANGE from Mrs. Marilyn Laitman, 20th District (Letter dated 6-11-74) CONCERNING ON APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, paragraph #4 of Rules of Order, by changing the word "secret" on line 3 to read instead: "OPEN" ballot - Requires a 2/3rd vote)

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

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- (9) Proposed RULES CHANGE from Salvan Ross, Jr., 15th District - (Letter dated 6-17-74) RE: "VOTING" on page 6 of Rules, add another paragraph to the numbered "5" and to read: "ALL APPROPRIATIONS SHALL BE TAKEN BY MACHINE VOTE OR ROLL CALL VOTE. If mechanical failure occurs, refer to VOTING number 1." (Requires a 2/3rd vote)

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (10) Proposed Ordinance "TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM MILL RATE FOR TAXATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES" (Pursuant to Public Act No. 74-211 - 1974 Session of General Assembly)

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (11) CONCERNING TWO RESOLUTIONS - (1) INITIATION OF ACTION BY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR APPOINTMENT OF A 10TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION, and (2) APPOINTMENT OF A 10TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 99 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT - (See Resolution No. 943, Minutes of 5-6-74 and Minutes of 6-3-74, which failed to carry, lacking a 2/3rd vote)  
 Note: May be from 5 to 15 with office holders not more than one-third to hold any other City office and not more than a bare majority of the same political party) Also, must be appointed "within 30 days after adoption of first resolution under provisions of the "Home Rule Act" See Section 7-188 of "Home Rule Act" which states under Step 1: "Proposal initiated by two-thirds vote of entire membership" of Board of Representatives.....)

Above matter was brought up by Mr. Serrani, who requested that this be placed on the agenda under the Legislative & Rules Committee. CARRIED.

- (12) Concerning Appointment of a Special Committee on Environmental Protection Protection (5 members)

MR. SERRANI suggested that a five member special committee be appointed, which the President took under advisement.

- (13) Proposed Agreement between XEROX CORPORATION and the SEWER COMMISSION allowing Xerox to connect its Long Ridge Office facility to Stamford's Sanitary Sewer System = Note: Requested by Sewer Commission in compliance with provisions of Resolution No. 910 adopted by Board of Representatives Sept. 10, 1973 (12th Board) See pages 9822-23 of Minutes, which gives the Board of Representatives the right to grant or deny Sewer Commissions contracts----- Has been incorporated into the Rules of the Sewer Commission - Requested in letter dated 6-5-74 from Stamford Sewer Commission.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under SEWER COMMITTEE

- (14) Recreation Fee Program (Requested in letter dated 4-22-74 from Board of Recreation - Also, see subsequent letter dated 4-22-74 from Supt. of Recreation, adding a maximum fee of \$5.00 for the "Sailing Program")

Above referred to PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (15) Concerning Fees for the Dorothy Heroy Swimming Pool (Letter dated 6-10-74 from Chairman David O'Keefe, of Board of Recreation, enclosing fees) (Held in Committee on 6-3-74)

Above referred to PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (16) Acceptance of LEROY PLACE (a private street) as a City Street

The above having been held in Committee on 5-6-74 and again on 6-3-74 was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE.

- (17) 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) - (Requires adoption of a Resolution entitled: "APPROVING CONTRACT FOR SALE OF LAND FOR PRIVATE REDEVELOPMENT TO STAMFORD ENTERPRISES, INC. BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT" (Resolution received 6-20-74 from Attorney Zolton A. Benyus, Jr. of URC) - (Held in Committee 5-6-74 and again on 6-3-74)

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA and referred to the URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE: Also referred to the PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE.

- (18) Concerning names of City employees and job titles

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI brought up the above matter which was REFERRED TO THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - NOT ON AGENDA

- (19) Complaints concerning roaming dogs - (See Ordinance No. 260 Supplemental adopted 3-5-73)

Above letter from the Mayor dated 6-14-74, was referred to the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - NOT ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (20) Request in letter dated 6-3-74 from Mrs. Cornelia Peterman, Special Police Woman, requesting a certain section of "Tresser Blvd." be named after a deceased Police Officer. NOTED AND FILED

- (21) Letter dated 3-12-74 concerning the street known as "Tresser Blvd." addressed to Mrs. Forman, 19th District Representative, from Assistant Corporation Counsel Barry Boodman, in which he states an extension of "Tresser Blvd." would have the same name. NOTED AND FILED.

- (22) Communication dated 6-4-74 to "All Department Heads, Boards and Commissions of the City of Stamford", from Chairman Richard Colhoun of the Planning Board, notifying them that there will be a public hearing on June 13, 1974 in regard to the SWRPA draft "Future Regional Plan of Development" 1974 Statement- (Copy of said letter sent to all Board members) NOTED AND FILED

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Frederick E. Miller, Jr.,  
Chairman, Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI, Chairman, said his Committee met this past Wednesday, June 26th, in the Municipal Office Building with the following members present: Representatives Crosby, Forman, Tresser, Martino, Ravallese and Dixon. He thanked Mr. Dixon who acted as Chairman of that meeting as he was not able to attend. 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:

PARKING AUTHORITY:Term Ending:

<u>BRIAN SULLIVAN (D)</u>	VOTE: 20 yes	1-1-77
16 Central Street	18 no	
(Replacing Anthony Conti, whose term expired)		

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD:

<u>EUGENE CONNOLLY (D)</u>	VOTE: 35 yes	12-1-77
30 Judy Lane	3 no	

<u>MRS. MARY LaVELLE (D)</u>	VOTE: 35 yes	12-1-76
Apple Tree Lane	3 no	

(Vote taken under Suspension of the Rules, duly  
seconded and CARRIED)

<u>EDWARD A. CONNELL (D)</u>	VOTE: 32 yes	12-1-75
235 Cold Spring Road	6 no	

<u>LOUIS CASALE (R)</u>	VOTE: 31 yes	12-1-76
155 Frederick Street	7 no	

<u>ROBERTS N. FISH (R)</u>	VOTE: 32 yes	12-1-75
474 Woodbine Road	6 no	

MR. BOCCUZZI said that because of his involvement with the BOARD OF ETHICS he was turning the report of the Committee on the appointment to that BOARD over to MR. DIXON, who made the following report:

BOARD OF ETHICS:

<u>ALLAN MALL (D)</u>	HELD IN COMMITTEE	6-30-77
18 Cascade Road		
(Replacing Maurice Buckley, whose term expired)		

MR. BOCCUZZI then reported on the next of the appointments as follows:

PATRIOTIC & SPECIAL EVENTS COMMISSION:

<u>STEPHEN SACKMAN (D)</u>	VOTE: 31 yes	12-1-78
40 Kensington Road	7 no	
(Replacing Stephen Vitka, whose term expired)		

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMISSION:Term Ending:

JOSEPH RICHICHI (D)  
108 Cove Road  
(Replacing Walter Seely,  
whose term expired)

HELD IN COMMITTEE

12-1-76

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

MRS. LAITMAN, Chairman, said the Committee met on June 25th, with the following present: Representatives Laitman, Crosby, Davidoff, Dixon, Emiclos, and Pont-Briant. Absent were: Representatives Rybnick, Loughran and Livingston. She said Mr. Davidoff had to leave before voting began and therefore, there were only six members voting on the items. She reported on the following items:

- (1) \$25,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.0103 - Overtime -  
(Mayor's letter of 3-4-74) - (Reduced by Board of  
Finance from \$33,701.04) - (Held in Committee 4-1-74,  
5-6-74 and 6-3-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said these funds will only partially cover overtime expenses to July 1, as there was a deficit of over \$27,000.00 on June 21. She said since this request was submitted some changes in overtime policy were instituted and some parts of the contract were reinforced. SHE MOVED for the approval of the above request.

MR. RUSSBACH said the Personnel Committee met with Major MacDonald on this previously and with Mr. Perna, Chairman of the Police Commission and was given the reasons for the overtime, most of which were contractual. He said the overlapping of shifts accounts for a fair amount of the overtime and is a contractual obligation which is necessary in order not to leave the City unprotected when the shifts change. He said some changes have been made in the Police Department policies to limit payments from some overtime categories and to correct certain abuses in the sick leave provisions which will help to reduce overall overtime payments. He seconded the motion saying Personnel concurs in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

- (2) \$6,500.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 534.0000 - Connecticut Planning  
Committee on Criminal Administration, representing GRANT  
under Title I, Part C of the Omnibus Crime Control and  
Safe Streets Act of 1968 for a study of Modern Electronic  
Surveillance Methods - (Requires no City contribution)  
(Mayor's letter of 4-10-74) - (Held in Committee 5-6-74  
and 6-3-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item had been held in Committee pending an opinion from the Corporation Counsel on its infringements on individual rights and clarification from the Police Department as to who will have jurisdiction over this device. She said an extension was granted from the State to July 5th so the decision must be made at this meeting. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Serrani who said Legislative & Rules concurs in approval. CARRIED by a machine vote of 26 to 9.

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- (3) \$9,261.43 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - Code 102.5105 - Primary Expenses -  
(Mayor's letter of 5-24-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount covers expenses for both Town Committee primaries on March 5th and April 4th. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government committee concurs in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

- (4) \$965.78 - COMMISSION ON AGING - For the following: (Mayor's letter of 6-5-74)

Code 195.5208 - Quintard Center	\$465.78
Code 195.0101 - Salaries	500.00
	<u>\$965.78</u>

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount has no impact on the tax rate as it is being covered by outside funds. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs. CARRIED Unanimously.

- (5) \$18,891.00 - GOLF AUTHORITY - Resolution No. 951 amending 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget by authorizing the TRANSFER of above named sum as follows:

From: Golf Course Drainage	\$7,500.00
Water to service the buildings	7,500.00
Paddle Tennis	1,391.00
Fire Alarm System	2,500.00
	<u>\$18,891.00</u>

To: Project known as "CONVERSION OF BUILDINGS"

RESOLUTION NO. 951

AMENDING THE 1973-74 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY APPROVING A TRANSFER IN THE SUM OF \$18,891.00 FROM UNEXPENDED FUNDS IN CERTAIN GOLF AUTHORITY CAPITAL PROJECTS ACCOUNT TO AN ACCOUNT KNOWN AS "GOLF AUTHORITY - CONVERSION OF BUILDINGS"

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, to approve a TRANSFER in the 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget in the sum of \$18,891.00 to a project to be known as "CONVERSION OF BUILDINGS" from unexpended funds in the following Capital Projects Accounts:

Golf Course Drainage	\$7,500.00
Water to service the buildings	7,500.00
Paddle Tennis	1,391.00
Fire Alarm System	2,500.00
	<u>\$18,891.00</u>

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MRS. LAITMAN said this transfer will enable the Golf Authority to build a cart barn to house the golf carts which are one of the main revenue producing items at Sterling Farms. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Blois, who said the Parks & Recreation Committee did not discuss this item.



MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED that this item be taken out of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said he would recommend that the golf cart barn be built in a manner similar to the one at Hubbard Heights and that it not infringe on the golf course or any other recreational activity.

MRS. LAITMAN said the committee was convinced that the structure will be located so as not to interfere and will conform to the general architecture in the area.

THE MOTION WAS CARRIED with scattered "no" votes.

- (6) \$4,000.00 - CORPORATION COUNSEL - Code 110.0901 - Professional Services - (To engage an engineering consultant to evaluate existing Water Company properties with the City for the best location of proposed water filtration plant) -- (Mayor's letter of 5-21-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount is for an independent evaluation of the best location for the water filtration plant. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Serrani who said Legislative and Rules concurs in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

- (7) \$230,569.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Amount required to continue the SPECIAL MILK PROGRAM in the Stamford Schools  
(See letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 5-30-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item was being HELD IN COMMITTEE so that a sub-committee composed of Representatives Crosby, Davidoff and Dixon would have time to review with the Board of Education possible alternatives for reducing costs for this program.

- (8) \$25,309.83 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received by the City from the State as a 100% prepaid FEDERAL GRANT under Title II, Elementary and Secondary Education Act, for Library and Audio Visual Resources for the 1973-74 fiscal year -  
(see letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 5-29-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said these funds will go to public and non-public schools and the public schools will purchase films for the Central Film Library. She said the non-public schools will use their grant to purchase learning materials for their programs. SHE MOVED for approval of this item. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said Education, Welfare and Government Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (9) \$192,682.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received by the City from the UNITED STATES OFFICE OF EDUCATION as a 100% prepaid FEDERAL GRANT under the Emergency School Act, Title VII, Section 701, Public Law 92-318 for the 1974-75 fiscal year for a project entitled: "GROWTH: GREATER READING OPPORTUNITIES WITH TUTORIAL HELP" - (See Letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 5-29-74)

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MRS. LAITMAN said this grant will fund a project intended to provide 3rd and 4th graders with tutorial reading activities for an average of 2½ hours a week in school and/or neighborhood centers. She said it is hoped about 600 children will be helped in this project. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs in approval.

MRS. FORMAN said the project will be coordinated by an existing reading teacher.

VOTE taken on Mrs. Laitman's motion. CARRIED.

(10) \$125.00 - CONSERVATION COMMISSION - Code 194.0102 - Part-time Salaries - (Mayor's letter of 6-4-74).

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount will cover the salary of the Commission's part-time secretary for May and June and SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Davidoff. CARRIED unanimously.

(11) \$26,001.65 - FLOOD & EROSION CONTROL BOARD - RESOLUTION NO. 952 amending the 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget by adding to Project in said Budget known as "PUBLIC WORKS DEPT. - HURRICANE BARRIER" above named sum, to be financed by the TRANSFER OF FUNDS from the following Projects:

1964-65 - Public Works Dept. - Flood & Erosion Control	
Hurricane Barrier - Bonds	\$23,043.95
1968-69 - Hurricane Barrier	2,957.70
	<u>\$26,001.65</u>

MRS. LAITMAN said this transfer will place these funds completely under the control of the Public Works Department and will be appropriated to make necessary repairs to the gates. SHE MOVED for approval of this item. Seconded by Mr. Gambino who said the Public Works Committee met on this on June 24 with Representatives Gambino, Hoffman, Perillo, Crosby, Sandor and Walsh present and concurring in approval. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 952

AMENDING THE 1973-74 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING A PROJECT IN SAID BUDGET KNOWN AS "PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - HURRICANE BARRIER" TO BE FINANCED BY A TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE SUM OF \$26,001.65 FROM UNEXPENDED FUNDS IN CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS ACCOUNTS

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, in accordance with the provisions of Section 611.5 of the Stamford Charter, to approve an amendment to the 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget for the addition of a project to be known as "PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - HURRICANE BARRIER" to be financed by the transfer of the sum of \$26,001.65 from unexpended funds in the following Capital Projects Accounts:

1964-65 - Public Works Department -  
 Flood & Erosion Control  
 Hurricane Barrier - Bonds \$23,043.95

1968-69 - Hurricane Barrier 2,957.70  
 \$26,001.65

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- (12) \$7,495.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - To be received by the City from the State as a 100% prepaid FEDERAL GRANT under Title II, Elementary and Secondary Education Act for 5 reading GRANTS to be disbursed as follows: (See letter from Dr. Carpenter dated 5-15-74)

Burdick Middle School \$1,500.00  
 Rippowam High School 1,500.00  
 Toquam Elementary School 1,500.00  
 Turn-of-River Middle School 1,495.00  
 Westhill High School 1,500.00  
 \$7,495.00

MRS. LAITMAN said there is voluntary application for these grants by the individual teachers and of 175 grants made to 169 towns, Stamford received 5. She said the school system is to be congratulated. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee concurs. CARRIED unanimously.

- (13) \$131,033.00 - Resolution amending 1973-74 Capital Projects Budget for the addition of a Project in above amount to be known as "NEW CONSTRUCTION - CONVENTIONAL INCINERATOR" to be financed by the transfer of unexpended funds in the following Capital Projects Accounts: (Mayor's letter of 6-10-74)

#### NEW CONSTRUCTION

1971-1972 - Solid Waste Disposal \$18,615.00  
 1971-1972 - Liquid Industrial Waste Burning Equipment 92,424.00  
 1972-1973 - Haig Avenue Site Improvement 19,994.00  
 \$131,033.00

MRS. LAITMAN said this transfer is requested from various temporarily-terminated Capital Projects accounts to meet the department's obligations on the 1973 Conventional Incinerator. She said it is the Fiscal Committee's recommendation to HOLD this item in Committee pending review of additional information that has just been received by the committee members tonight.

MR. GAMBINO said the Public Works Committee voted 6 in favor of this item and none opposed and HE MOVED that it be brought out for a vote.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said that in as much as there is new information to be reviewed by the Fiscal Committee he would ask Mr. Gambino to reconsider his motion to bring this item to a vote.

MR. GAMBINO said he is hesitant to reconsider because part of these funds are to be used to pay an arbitration judgment which had been paid from the General Fund in the amount of \$32,418.23 on March 6, 1974.

MRS. FORMAN MOVED to amend Mr. Gambino's motion to bring out on the floor the following two items:

1971-1972 - Solid Waste Disposal	\$18,615.00
1972-1973 - Haig Avenue Site Improvement	19,994.00
	<u>\$38,609.00</u>

Seconded by Mr. Gambino who said he would agree to that amendment.

MR. GAMBINO said that the money allocated for the SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL was not used and the equipment planned for the LIQUID INDUSTRIAL WASTE BURNING was deemed not to be adequate and the HAIG AVENUE SITE DEVELOPMENT project was set aside because of legal problems connected with a required variance. He said since these funds have not been used he is recommending they be used for the incinerator.

MR. EXNICIOS said he is against bringing this matter to a vote at this time because he is concerned about where the money is going. He said over \$65,000 is going to the architect for additional work and he wants to know what was done for that kind of fee. He also said he wants to know if the City has any recourse as far as the arbitration judgment is concerned and what work was done that resulted in the judgment being awarded.

MRS. LAITMAN said that Mr. Canavan said the judgment can be appealed.

MR. GUROIAN and MR. ROSS said they were opposed to the motion as it was their opinion that both projects could use the money that had been allocated to them.

MR. DAVIDOFF said he is opposed to the motion because the Fiscal Committee has not had time to review all the input.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Haig Avenue and Solid Waste projects are not viable at this time.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said that since the arbitration judgment has been paid from the General Fund there is no hurry to approve these transfers and she recommended that the item be held.

MR. ZIMBLER MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the question. DENIED by a voice vote.

After some discussion on parliamentary procedures, MR. KNAPP MOVED to Hold the entire amount in Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. ROSS said it appears to him that the Board changes its rules at will. THE PRESIDENT said his comment would be noted in the minutes.

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- (14) \$232,157.47 - Needed to cover 3-year COLLECTIVE BARGAINING CONTRACT - BOARD OF EDUCATION CUSTODIANS AND MECHANICS - LOCAL 1083  
(Contract approved by Board of Representatives 3-18-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said an error appears on the agenda as only the funding for 1972-73 and 1973-74 was moved on at the Steering Committee meeting. She said the third year was not ordered on the agenda due to its being held by the Board of Finance. She said that due to pending legal action against the City, the Corporation Counsel's Office has asked that the matter be HELD IN COMMITTEE and Fiscal so recommends.

MR. RUSSBACH said the Personnel Committee concurs with that recommendation.

MR. TRUGLIA asked if holding this matter in Committee will delay further payments due under this contract?

MRS. LAITMAN said the action of the union in bringing this matter to Court will probably delay payment even more. She said it is her understanding that payment for all three years is involved in the legal action now pending.

- (15) RESOLUTION NO. 953 entitled: "AUTHORIZATION OF PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM MODERNIZATION PROJECT, STAMFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1973-1974"  
(Pursuant to provisions of Public Act No. 403 of 1969 Session of General Assembly) - (Mayor's letter of 6-4-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this resolution will enable the Board of Education to apply for State Grants for the Stamford High School Modernization Project. SHE MOVED for approval. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 953

AUTHORIZATION OF PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM MODERNIZATION PROJECT, STAMFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1973-1974

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to and within the limitations of Public Act No. 403, entitled: "An Act Concerning Application for School Building Grants" (1969 Session of General Assembly) that the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to apply for State Aid on behalf of the Board of Education for Stamford High School Auditorium Modernization Project, Stamford Public Schools Capital Project, in the name of the City of Stamford for said project, to be deposited in the General Fund.

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NOTE: Phrase at the end of this resolution, "to be deposited in the General Fund" was added to the resolution at the end of the Fiscal Committee report on a motion duly seconded and carried.

- (16) \$20,281.00 - MAYOR'S OFFICE - for a DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR for fiscal year 1974-1975 for the Comprehensive Planning Assistant position, known as "701" whose duties will involve Urban Redevelopment, Housing, Citizen Participation, Workable Program and other related programs - GRANT to be received from Boston Regional HUD in amount of \$17,000 - \$3,281 represents City's cash contribution - (Mayor's letter of 6-17-74)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item is being held in Committee pending approval by the Board of Finance. Mr. Livingston said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurs.

- (17) \$20,000.00 - RESOLUTION NO. 954 entitled: "AUTHORIZATION OF PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR RYLE SCHOOL SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, STAMFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1970-1971 - (Mayor's letter of 6-18-74)

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

MRS. LAITMAN said the Board is being asked to approve application for a State grant of approximately \$20,000.00 in building aid for site work done at Ryle School during the 1970-1971 fiscal year. She said this resolution must be approved before the funding request is considered by the State. She said under advice of the Corporation Counsel's office the phrase, "to be deposited in the General Fund" has been added to the standard resolution. SHE MOVED for approval of the following resolution. Seconded and CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 954

AUTHORIZING PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR RYLE SCHOOL SITE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, STAMFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET 1970-1971

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to and within the limitations of Public Act No. 403, entitled "An Act Concerning Application for School Building Grants" (1969 Session of General Assembly) that the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to apply for State Aid on behalf of the Board of Education for Ryle School Site Improvement Project, Stamford Public Schools Capital Project, in the name of the City of Stamford for said grant, to be deposited in the General Fund.

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- (18) \$2,500.00 - TRANSFER from Code 998.0000 SUNDRIES to Code 720.5805 Board of Recreation - PERFORMING ARTS (Pink Tent Festival) (Mayor's letter of 6-17-74)

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES in order to take up the above item which has been approved by the Board of Finance at an adjourned meeting on June 20, 1974. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Mayor has requested this transfer to obtain additional money needed to operate successfully the Pink Tent Festival. She said the funds will be used to defray the cost of special police. She said this account has traditionally been a discretionary one and there is a precedent for this action. She said the Festival costs over \$70,000 most of which is raised from industry, the private sector and unions. SHE MOVED for approval of this item. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. LAITMAN read the following report from the Fiscal Committee concerning the Parking Authority - Bedford Street Parking Garage:

FISCAL COMMITTEE REPORT

CONCERNING PARKING AUTHORITY -  
BEDFORD STREET PARKING GARAGE

The Fiscal Committee of this Board, having considered various charges brought against the Parking Authority, has arrived at the following recommendations. It should be noted that the charges center around the design contract for the soon-to-be operational Bedford Street Parking Garage.

It was the unanimous consensus of the Committee that the actions of the Authority did not reflect the best of judgment. Many of the recommendations are procedural. A basic omission was the total absence of rules or by-laws. These have now been adopted. A thorough review should be undertaken to verify that these by-laws conform to actual practice.

It was felt that all contracts should be reviewed by the Corporation Counsel and the Parking Authority's attorney. All contracts should be initialled and signed by a legal quorum of the Authority's members. We find no evidence that anyone but the Chairman actually signed the design contract for the Bedford St. Garage. This is in conflict with the attached opinion of the Corporation Counsel. It should be noted also, that the Parking Authority's attorney was not asked to review the contract before it was signed. Thus, all contract signing procedures should be reviewed and a firm policy implemented.

The Minutes kept by the Authority were at best inadequate. They were not initialled or consistently approved by the membership. Efforts have been made to "firm up" this laxity. The lack of adequate records considerably hampered this inquiry. Personal interviews with present members of the Authority and past members resulted in what the Committee felt was "selective recall" on the part of various individuals.

The Committee is dissatisfied with the past performance of the Stamford Parking Authority. We find it difficult to understand how the Parking Authority, as presently constituted, can function effectively, i.e., run garages and parking areas for the City of Stamford. Thus, there is a long range view which must be considered.

This Committee is well aware that under the Charter this board has specific investigative powers. However, we recommend that in this instance, it would be more appropriate for the Mayor to appoint a blue ribbon committee of knowledgeable citizens to pursue an investigation of the past practices and future operations of the Parking Authority.

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It is our hope that these citizens would be well acquainted with what a good Parking Agency could be. Competent people with expertise in business and finance, who are familiar with the operations of municipal parking agencies in other cities, abound in the Stamford community. We should take advantage of the corporate and business resources we are fortunate enough to possess.

There are at least three advantages of pursuing this course of action. First, it is a way to assure that the investigation be conducted above the narrow confines of partisan politics. Second, the experts available to the Mayor on a voluntary basis would result in some savings to the taxpayers. Last would be the aforementioned wealth of talent to a large part, untapped, which would lead to our major objective. That is, a viable Parking Agency which would efficiently operate multi-million dollar investments on which the success of Stamford's revitalized downtown depends.

(signed) Members of Fiscal Committee

ADDENDUM TO REPORT

In the course of its deliberation, the Committee met with:

Present members of the Parking Authority:

Anthony Conti  
Max Friedman  
Jack Pinsky

Past member of Parking Authority:

Peter Sileo

Superintendent of Parking Authority:

Gerald Longo

Parking Authority Attorney:

Joseph Tocher, Jr.

F.R. Harris, Senior Vice- President:

Eugene Jones

A telephone interview and written correspondence was conducted with Allen Davis, who was Project Manager for F.R. Harris. The Committee completely researched all past minutes of the Parking Authority.

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MR. GURIOIAN said it was his understanding that the thrust of the investigation was to be on the actions of the Chairman of the Authority. He then said the Board's investigative committee would have powers to remove a member of the Authority or take whatever other action deemed necessary but suggested that a "blue ribbon" committee would not have such power.



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THE PRESIDENT noted that the investigation by the Fiscal Committee was an informal one and there is some question as to the scope of the powers of the Committee unless a formal investigation was undertaken as per Sec. 204.2 of the Charter. He also said the Mayor does have removal powers according to the Charter.

MRS. LAITMAN said the inquiry made by the Fiscal Committee was not directed at one individual but at the Authority in general. She said the scope of this inquiry was limited and this is why the committee is recommending a more extensive investigation.

MR. RUSSBACH said that the points that he made a year ago about the Parking Authority have been confirmed by the Fiscal Committee report. He suggested that members of a "blue ribbon" committee be knowledgeable experts from the fields of finance and law.

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED to accept the report of the Parking Authority by the Fiscal Committee and its recommendations which would include requesting the Mayor to appoint an investigating committee. Seconded.

MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion. CARRIED.

MRS. LAITMAN said the total amount of additional money approved at this meeting was \$38,386.43. She said at the request of the Majority Leader she will be keeping a running tally of monies appropriated during the fiscal year.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to allow the addition of the phrase, "to be deposited in the General Fund" to the Resolution authorizing application for State aid for the Stamford High School Auditorium modernization project as was added to the resolution concerning Ryle School. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED above-mentioned phrase be added to RESOLUTION NO. 953. Seconded and CARRIED.

#### LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. SERRANI, Chairman, said his Committee met on Wednesday, June 26 and present were Representatives Pont-Briant, Flanagan, Maynor, Sainburg, Davidoff, Walsh and Serrani. He said Representatives Perkins and Morabito were absent. He said a report was given that night by Mr. Tobin and Mr. Masciarelli of the Transit District Authority. He said the report had previously been submitted to the members of this Board.

MR. SERRANI reported on the following items:

- (1) REVISED FEE SCHEDULES FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT - (Originally submitted by Dr. Gofstein in letter dated 3-20-72 to 12th Board; printed in Minutes of 11-13-72, pages 9428 through 9433; published in Stamford Advocate on 11-25-72, but never given final approval by the 12th Board. Held in Committee 5-6-74 and 6-3-74 by the 13th Board)

MR. SERRANI said this item has been put into a sub-committee of the Legislative and Rules Committee and is being HELD.

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(2) Final adoption of Ordinance No. 288, CREATING A "TENANT MEDIATION BOARD"  
(Approved for publication 6-3-74; published 6-7-74)

MR. SERRANI said this ordinance was approved for publication at the last Board meeting and his committee voted in favor of final adoption by a vote of 7 in favor, none opposed and no abstentions and HE MOVED for final adoption. Seconded.

MR. HOFFMAN spoke in favor of adoption and noted that 50% of the City's population would benefit by this Ordinance. He said this will open up an avenue for resolving differences between tenants and landlords and will eliminate the aggravations, difficulties and costs incurred by tenants who have no recourse when they encounter unresolvable problems with their landlords and are forced to relocate. He noted this ordinance has the support of Sally Flaherty, former Director of the Fair Rent Commission. He said adoption of this ordinance is a step in the right direction toward improving the way of life, living conditions and sense of security and wellbeing of half of the population of Stamford.

MR. GURDAN said this ordinance will give powers to the Fair Rent Commission that are a duplication of those other departments already have. He asked Mr. Hoffman to keep on top of this ordinance. He said he does not want to see this board go "overboard" and spend taxpayers' money unnecessarily.

VOTE taken on final adoption of the following ordinance. CARRIED unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 288 SUPPLEMENTAL

CREATION OF "TENANT MEDIATION BOARD" AS PROVIDED IN SPECIAL  
ACT NO. 73-116 (1973 Session of General Assembly)

WHEREAS, a special act providing for a tenant mediation board for Stamford has been passed by the State legislature; and

WHEREAS, the advice and mediation provided by such a board would expedite a solution to many landlord-tenant controversies, reduce the work load and concomitantly the expenses incurred by the Fair Rent Commission in formally hearing such matters; and

WHEREAS, the traditional property rights of all those involved in landlord-tenant controversies are better served by the parties reaching their own solution without the intervention of formal governmental action, unless absolutely necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

1. Creation

The Fair Rent Commission of the City of Stamford is hereby designated the tenant-landlord mediation board for the City.

2. Powers

The Fair Rent Commission shall exercise the following powers:

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(a) To hear and advise on complaints from tenants of residential buildings or any representative of them concerning the furnishing of services which shall include but not be limited to heating, cooling, elevator operation, sanitary facilities, safe ingress and egress, compliance with health, housing or building ordinances or codes and the failure in any manner of the landlord to maintain dwellings according to the terms of rental agreements.

(b) To act as conciliator of disputes between landlords, tenants, or any representative of them, at its discretion concerning the furnishing of services which shall include but not be limited to heating, cooling, elevator operation, sanitary facilities, safe ingress and egress, compliance with health, housing or building ordinances or codes and the failure in any manner of the landlord to maintain dwellings according to the terms of rental agreements.

### 3. Procedures

Conciliation shall be performed in the following manner:

(a) Only upon the written consent of both the landlord and the tenant or any representative of either.

(b) The executive director of the Fair Rent Commission shall hear and report to the Commission on all matters before it for conciliation. Any report before the Commission shall be in a manner that will not prejudice the Commission, should a complaint be filed with the Commission on the issues in question.

4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

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- (3) LEASE - Renewal of Lease Agreement with the HALLOWEEN YACHT CLUB, INC. for a TEN YEAR PERIOD, starting at \$2,320.00 for the First year and increasing each year to \$6,240.00 during the 10th year. SUBJECT to the proviso that to the extent that mill rates increase during the lease period, lease payments will be correspondingly higher. (Mayor's letter of 5-14-74)

MR. SERRANI said his Committee voted 7 in favor of approval of this lease with no opposition and no abstentions. HE MOVED for approval of this lease. Seconded.

MR. CONNORS said the Halloween Yacht Club has done a pretty good job taking care of the City's boathouse and deserves a lot of credit for their efforts. He said they have improved and upgraded the facilities at very little cost to the City. He said even further improvements are contemplated by the Yacht Club at their own expense. He said he does not think the City should increase the lease price. He said it is his opinion it would be unfair to do so.

MR. ROSS said it is his opinion that this is a good and equitable lease to both parties.

MR. ELOIS said the Parks & Recreation Committee concurs in seeking approval of this lease.

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VOTE taken on approval of lease. CARRIED unanimously.

- (4) Proposed Ordinance entitled: "CONCERNING EXCHANGE OF EASEMENTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND SHIRLEY A. WALTER AND F. RICHARD WALTER"  
(Being an exchange of EASEMENTS between the City of Stamford and above parties, which is necessary for the use and maintenance of highway purposes on DARTMOUTH STREET EXTENSION) - (Mayor's letter of 6-4-74)

MR. SERRANI said this item is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (5) Proposed RULES CHANGE from Mrs. Marilyn Laitman, 20th District. RE: SECRET VOTING ON APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS  
(Letter dated 6-11-74)
- (6) Proposed RULES CHANGE from Daniel Russbach, 17th District. RE: INCREASE THE SIZE OF THE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE TO 7 MEMBERS WHICH IS PRESENTLY 5 - (Letter dated 6-17-74)
- (7) Proposed RULES CHANGE from Salvan Ross, Jr., 15th District. RE: VOTING ON ALL APPROPRIATIONS TO BE TAKEN BY MACHINE VOTE OR ROLL CALL VOTE  
(Letter dated 6-17-74)

MR. SERRANI said the three items above are being HELD IN COMMITTEE. He said they are being held because the full text of the changes was not included in the agenda as per the Rules of the Board.

- (8) Proposed Ordinance "TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM MILL RATE FOR TAXATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES" (Pursuant to Public Act No. 74-211 of the 1974 Session of the General Assembly)

MR. SERRANI said his Committee, by a vote of 5 in favor and 2 opposed, voted to recommend publication of this ordinance, as follows:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

TO ESTABLISH A UNIFORM MILL RATE FOR TAXATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES

BE IT ORDAINED IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

1. All motor vehicles within the City of Stamford on the Grand List of September 1, 1974 and on the Grand List of September 1 in subsequent years shall be taxed at a uniform mill rate, being the mill rate applicable within the "B" taxing district of the City of Stamford.

2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Note: Pursuant to Public Act No. 74-211.

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MR. SERRANI MOVED for publication of the above ordinance. Seconded. He said his committee decided on the tax rate for the "B" district because

it is in the middle of the tax rates. He said the Legislative and Rules Committee is planning an open hearing at the beginning of their meeting later this month at which time anyone can speak on the published ordinance. He said the current tax revenue realized from motor vehicles now is \$2,770,478.00 and with all of them taxed at the "B" rate the income would be \$2,676,247.00.

MR. HOFFMAN said this piece of legislation is long overdue and he thanked Mr. Serrani and the legislators in Hartford for bringing it before this Board.

MR. SERRANI said any of the mill rates could be used and his Committee chose the "B" rate because of the fact that it is in the middle and would realize approximately the same amount of revenue as is coming in now. He said the rate can be changed even after publication.

MR. ROSE said he wanted to go on record in support of this ordinance.

MR. COSTELLO said he also is supporting this ordinance.

VOTE taken on publication of proposed ordinance. CARRIED unanimously.

- (9) CONCERNING TWO RESOLUTIONS - (1) INITIATION OF ACTION BY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR APPOINTMENT OF A 10TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION: and (2) APPOINTMENT OF A 10TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD UNDER PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 99 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT - (See Resolution No. 943 in Minutes of 5-6-74 and Minutes of 6-3-74)

MR. SERRANI said his Committee voted 6 in favor with one abstention for the following resolution. HE MOVED for approval of the following resolution which was seconded.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

INITIATION OF ACTION BY BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR APPOINTMENT OF A 10TH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of Stamford, Connecticut, in accordance and pursuant to Section 7-188 of the Connecticut General Statutes to hereby institute action for the appointment of a 10th Charter Revision Commission for the City of Stamford, which Commission shall study, draft and propose amendments to the present Charter, if it is deemed necessary, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Representatives shall take the necessary action to appoint such Charter Revision Commission with thirty (30) days from the date hereof.

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THE PRESIDENT said this resolution requires 27 affirmative votes for passage. He said the second resolution requires an affirmative vote of the majority of those present and voting for passage.

MR. SERRANI said his Committee is planning, if this first resolution is passed, to meet sometime at the beginning of next week to vote on the second resolution and then pass the names of the Commission members on to

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the Board of Representatives so they will have two weeks to study the list before a vote is taken. He said this will require a Special Meeting of the Board as the next regularly scheduled Board meeting on August 5th does not fall within the 30-day limit set by law for action on the second resolution following adoption of the first resolution.

MR. GUROIAN MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

The following ROLL CALL VOTE was taken and the resolution was LOST by a vote of 23 yes and 14 no votes:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF  
INITIATION OF ACTION FOR  
CHARTER REVISION:

BOCCUZZI, John (D)  
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)  
COSTELLO, Robert (D)  
CROSEY, Robert (D)  
DAVIDOFF, Norman (D)  
DeROSE, Joseph (D)  
DIXON, Handy (D)  
EXNICIOS, Robert (R)  
FORMAN, Barbara (R)  
HOFFMAN, Leonard (R)  
LAITMAN, Marilyn (D)  
LIVINGSTON, Jeremiah (D)  
LOWDEN, Lynn (D)  
MAYNOR, Frederick (D)  
MILLER, Frederick (D)  
PERKINS, Billie (R)  
PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)  
ROSE, Matthew (D)  
SAINBURG, Richard (R)  
SERRANI, Thom (D)  
TRESSER, Michael (R)  
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)  
WALSH, Peter (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION TO  
INITIATION OF ACTION FOR CHARTER  
REVISION:

BLOIS, Julius (D)  
CONNORS, George (D)  
GAMBINO, Philip (D)  
GUROIAN, Armen (D)  
KELLY, James (D)  
KNAPP, Warren (D)  
MORABITO, Joseph (D)  
PERILLO, Alfred (D)  
RAVALLESE, George (D)  
ROSS, Salvan (D)  
RUSSBACH, Daniel (R)  
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)  
SANDOR, John (D)  
ZIMBLER, Kurt (R)

ABSTAINED:

FLANAGAN, William (R)

- (10) ESTABLISHMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - To act as a liaison group between the Board and the newly established Environmental Protection Board

MR. SERRANI said this item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA at the Steering Committee meeting on June 17 and was inadvertently left off the agenda. He said his Committee voted 7 in favor, none opposing and no abstentions to recommend that this Special Committee consisting of 5 members, to act as a liaison and to report monthly to this Board, be established and HE SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

SEWER COMMITTEE:

MR. KNAPP, Chairman, said his Committee met this past Wednesday night with 5 of the 7 members present. He reported on the following matter:

Proposed Agreement between XEROX CORPORATION and the SEWER COMMISSION allowing Xerox to connect its Long Ridge Office facility to Stamford's Sanitary Sewer System - Requested by the Sewer Commission in letter dated 6-5-74 in compliance with provisions of Resolution No. 910 adopted by the Board of Representatives on Sept. 10, 1973, which gives the Board of Representatives the right to grant or deny Sewer Commission contracts.

MR. KNAPP said his Committee voted unanimously to recommend denial of approval of this contract. He said his Committee felt that by allowing Xerox to tie into the forced main system in the Long Ridge Road area they would be opening a Pandora's box and other large land owners and speculators would be requesting approval to tie into the existing system and its effectiveness would be reduced. He also said his Committee felt that the homeowners in the area would experience further delays in getting their sewers. He said it was his Committee's feelings that they want no more forced mains, but rather gravity lines in this area so that everybody can use them. He said his Committee is not saying they do not want Xerox in Stamford, but is saying that they want protection for the homeowners who have been waiting for a proper sewer system in this area. He said since his Committee met the Administration has met with and has received confirmation from at least one large land owner in the area in question to help the City, along with Xerox to get a proper sewer system in the Long Ridge area. He said other large land owners are also being contacted for help. He said his Committee is asking Xerox to wait a couple of months until such time as the City has enlisted the support of the other large land owners in the area to build a gravity line. HE MOVED that approval for this agreement be denied.

MR. FLANAGAN said the contract with the Sewer Commission will allow Xerox to run a forced main under the shoulder of Long Ridge Road to connect with the existing forced main at Roxbury Road at no cost to the City. He said an alternative proposal made by Xerox was for them to contribute toward a gravity sewer main running along the river in the amount of \$280,000 for the main plus \$140,000 for the required pumping station. He said Xerox has given the City the right to take either option. He said if we reject this contract the City will lose over \$53,000 every year in tax revenue because of the lower mill rate that is in effect for unsewered properties. He said this would be contrary to the best interests of the City.

MR. KNAPP said Xerox could build their own septic system on their property. He noted that if Xerox ties into the forced main at Roxbury, no one else would be able to tie into the line running from Xerox to Roxbury. He said his Committee is recommending denial of approval of this contract in order to give the City and the Sewer Commission time to contact the other land owners in the area to get their support for a gravity system.

MR. BLOIS said Xerox will benefit in the long run from the trunk line that will be installed in the near future running from Old Barn Road north to the area now in question. He said with a little patience the trunk line will be put in and everyone will be satisfied.

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MRS. LAITMAN asked if the approval of this contract would preclude the City from continuing to negotiate with the land owners in the area to try to get their support for a gravity line.

MR. KNAPP said that if the City shows good faith by January 1975 in its attempt to get a trunk line in the area Xerox will go along with us. He said his Committee was led to believe that if Xerox does run a line down Long Ridge Road, no one will be allowed to tie into it.

MR. DeROSE asked who was present at the meeting of the Sewer Committee. He said he is a member but was unable to attend the last meeting due to illness.

MR. KNAPP said Representatives Blois, Rose, Hoffman, Russbach and Knapp were present and voting at the Sewer Committee meeting.

MR. DeROSE asked what the Sewer Committee thought about Xerox's offer to contribute to the installation of a main trunk line and a pumping station.

MR. KNAPP said the contract includes that offer and goes on to say that if the City does not show good faith by January 1975, Xerox will be permitted to tie into the forced main. He said good faith means plans completed or nearly completed. He said there is no way his Committee or the Board of Representatives or anyone else can guarantee that plans will be near completion by next January.

MR. ZIMBLER said that if a vote to deny approval of this contract will bring sewers to this area sooner, he would vote with the recommendation of the Sewer Committee.

MR. KNAPP then read a letter from the Xerox attorney to the Chairman of the Sewer Commission outlining the alternative proposals.

MR. DAVIDOFF said he is opposed to a piecemeal sewerage system that will not benefit all the residents of the 13th, 14th and 16th districts.

MR. EXNICIOS said he is against the Committee recommendation. He said the Zoning Board has approved the Xerox plans and they are ready to proceed but they can not start until all the plans are finalized, including sewerage. He said approval or denial of this contract will not have any effect on when the area residents will get proper sewerage. He said that will still be the prerogative of the Sewer Commission. He said the contract says that after the forced main is installed it will be turned over to the City and there is nothing in the contract that says the City can not tie into that line if it wants to. He said if this contract is not approved it will mean less tax revenue for the City and the residents in the area will still not have their sewers.

At the request of MR. CROSBY, THE PRESIDENT granted a five-minute recess at 12:20 a.m.

The meeting resumed at 12:35 a.m.

MR. SERRANI said he is of the opinion that if the contract is not approved, the alternatives mean a loss of tax revenue to which he is opposed.



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MR. ROSS said he is against this contract. He said many of the Representatives were against the forced main when it was installed for the school because of the duplication of expenditures and now it looks like the forced main line will be extended even further.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the City is not going to spend any more money on the forced main line as Xerox is going to install their own line. He noted the City has plenty of time to show good faith as Xerox is not going to start to tie into the forced main tomorrow.

MR. BLOIS said the approximate cost of extending the trunk line from Old Barn Road to the Merritt Parkway is \$1,700,000.00. He said Xerox is willing to contribute \$280,000 towards that project. He said if other large land owners would also be willing to contribute, the City could install the trunk line at a real savings to the taxpayers and provide proper sewerage to all the area residents. He said he believes the Sewer Commission is ready to act on this trunk line.

MR. DAVIDOFF said the topography of the Xerox property will not in his opinion support an on-site septic system for 500 employees. He said he would like to have this matter held in committee for another month.

THE PRESIDENT said that the contract will automatically be approved if the Board does not act within 60 days after the contract is submitted and that 60 days will be up before the next Board meeting.

MR. GUROIAN said if the Board approves the contract the pressure from the community for a trunk line in the area will be lessened and if the contract is denied, the City will decide this area is a priority area for sewers and work will be speeded up.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT suggested that for clarification it would be better if the motion on the floor were in the affirmative. He noted that Representatives Livingston and Maynor have left the meeting, leaving a total of 36 Representatives.

MR. KNAPP said that even though his Committee recommends denial he would state his motion in the affirmative. HE MOVED that the contract between Xerox and the Sewer Commission be approved. Seconded and CARRIED by a ROLL CALL VOTE of 19 in favor and 17 opposed, as follows:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF APPROVAL  
OF CONTRACT BETWEEN XEROX AND THE  
SEWER COMMISSION:

BOCCUZZI, John (D)  
BOCCUZZI, Theodore (D)  
CONNORS, George (D)  
GROSBY, Robert (R)  
DeROSE, Joseph (D)  
DIXON, Handy (D)  
EXNICIOS, Robert (R)  
FLANAGAN, William (R)  
FORMAN, Barbara (R)  
GAMBINO, Philip (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION TO  
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN  
XEROX AND THE SEWER COMMISSION:

BLOIS, Julius (D)  
COSTELLO, Robert (D)  
DAVIDOFF, Norman (D)  
GUROIAN, Armen (D)  
HOFFMAN, Leonard (R)  
KELLY, James (D)  
KNAPP, Warren (D)  
MORABITO, Joseph (D)  
PERILLO, Alfred (D)  
RAVALLESE, George (D)

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF APPROVAL  
OF CONTRACT BETWEEN XEROX AND THE  
SEWER COMMISSION: (continued)

LAITMAN, Marilyn (D)  
LOWDEN, Lynn (D)  
MILLER, Frederick (D)  
PERKINS, Billie (R)  
PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)  
SAINBURG, Richard (R)  
SERRANI, Thom (D)  
TRESSER, Michael (R)  
TRUGLIA, Anthony (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION TO  
APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN  
XEROX AND THE SEWER COMMISSION:

ROSE, Matthew (D)  
ROSS, Salvan (D)  
RUSSRACH, Daniel (R)  
RHEINICK, Gerald (D)  
SANDOR, John (D)  
WALSH, Peter (D)  
ZIMBLER, Kurt (R)

MR. KNAPP then MOVED that the following "SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION" be approved and sent to the members of the Sewer Commission, Mr. William Sabis and Mr. Frank Benevelli. Seconded and CARRIED.

"It is the sense of this Board that no request for funds for the \$51,000 rental of equipment (i.e. the pump used in the Wallacks Drive area) will be considered, or expended on this item until a complete analysis and accounting on said item is conducted by the Sewer Commission and forwarded to this Board through its Sewer Committee. This requested analysis shall be conducted immediately and submitted to this Board for action prior to its August meeting."

MR. GAMBINO requested and was granted permission by THE PRESIDENT to leave the meeting at this time.

THE PRESIDENT noted that if there are not 21 members present, the meeting will not be able to be continued. He said members have an obligation to announce when they leave. He said there are still a couple of important items on the agenda and no action can be taken if a quorum is not present.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

MR. ROSE said his Committee has been working on the TOPICS program and has been in touch with Mr. Weber and Chief Kinsella. He asked MR. CONNORS to report on these meetings.

MR. CONNORS said he had submitted a petition regarding the traffic signs on Elm Street, Myrtle Avenue, Cove Road and Main Street specifying no parking, no left turns, bus stops in front of stores, etc. He said these signs which have been installed by the State are hurting the merchants.

MR. ROSE said he was told that Chief Kinsella and Mr. Weber informed Mr. Connors that the City will be assuming authority for this area where the signs have been installed in about a month and a half and that when this does happen the signs will be removed.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE:

MR. BLOIS said his Committee met with the Board of Recreation on June 20th regarding the fee schedule submitted for this Board's approval. He reported on the following items:

Recreation Fee Program - (Requested in letter dated 4-22-74 from Board of Recreation; also subsequent letter of 5-30-74)

1. Recreation Barn Theater

MR. BLOIS said the usual fee for events is \$1.50 to \$2.50 and approval for a maximum fee of \$5.00 is being requested. HE MOVED the maximum \$5.00 fee be approved with the stipulation that only two functions per year at the maximum fee be allowed. Seconded and CARRIED.

2. Recreation Youth Center

MR. BLOIS said the usual fees are 25¢ to \$1.00 and approval for a maximum fee of \$5.00 is being requested. HE MOVED the maximum \$5.00 fee be approved with the stipulation that only two functions per year at the maximum fee be allowed. Seconded and CARRIED.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said she wanted it to be known that the Youth Center is now closed and will be closed until fall.

3. Swimming Pools

MR. BLOIS said there will be no charge for the pool at the Dorothy Heroy Park. HE MOVED that the fees of 25¢ for middle school students, 50¢ for high school students and \$1.00 for adults be approved for the pool at Westhill High School. Seconded and CARRIED.

4. Softball and Baseball Leagues

MR. BLOIS said no action was taken by his Committee and he would like to ask the Legislative & Rules Committee because there are some technicalities that need to be investigated.

THE PRESIDENT said the matter should be presented at the meeting of the Steering Committee for referral.

5. Classes such as Life Saving, Drama, Art, etc.

MR. BLOIS MOVED that fees on a cost-plus basis as proposed be approved for these classes. Seconded and CARRIED.

6. Sailing Class

MR. BLOIS said this is a six-week course with classes held five days a week. He said underprivileged children who qualify would not be charged a fee. HE MOVED that a fee of \$10 for the course be approved. Seconded.

MR. RYENICK said he was opposed to the fee as none has been charged in the past.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT said she would prefer having the fee lower so that all could afford the course than having the problems involved with deciding who would qualify as "underprivileged."

MR. HOFFMAN said he agrees that no fee should be charged.

MR. CONNORS said recreation is supposed to be free and he goes along with no fee being charged. He said the boats for this course were donated to the City.

MR. FLANAGAN MOVED to amend the fee schedule to \$10 for the first child in a family, \$5 for the second child, no fee for additional children. Seconded by MR. BLOIS, who withdrew his original motion.

MR. GURORIAN said he was against a fee being charged for this program and suggested enrollment be on a first-come, first-served basis.

MR. DIXON said he was of the opinion that the fee should be set at such a level that all can afford to pay it and that the "underprivileged" not be exempt.

MR. CROSBY said he thinks everyone would like to see no fees charged but the cost of the instructors has to be considered.

MR. RYBNICK said the cost for this program should be borne by the Board of Recreations' Seasonal Account.

MRS. PONT-BRIANT MOVED to amend the motion to set the fee at \$3 per child to be paid by each enrollee. Seconded by MR. BLOIS who said he would accept the amendment.

MR. RUSSBACH said he was opposed to such a low fee as it would not begin to defray the cost of running the program.

MR. HOFFMAN MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

VOTE taken by machine and motion CARRIED, 15-14.

MR. RUSSBACH was excused at this time (1:40 a.m.)

MR. CONNORS announced he was also leaving at this time.

#### 7. Paddle Tennis

MR. BLOIS MOVED that the proposed fees for paddle tennis of \$1.50 per hour per person for residents, \$2.00 per hour for non-residents and 75¢ per hour for children be approved. Seconded. A discussion followed on fees charged for paddle tennis in the past.

MRS. LAITMAN said she thought the previously approved paddle tennis fees were \$5.00 per hour for four people. She suggested the matter be held in committee until next month and that the fees now being charged be continued.

MR. BLOIS withdrew his motion.

MR. ROSS said he wanted to bring to the attention of the Board the recent destruction and vandalism at the Spanish Memorial Park on Hope Street, where trees and the park grounds were destroyed over the weekend. He said he would like to have the Health & Protection Committee and the Parks & Recreation Committee look into the possibility of more police protection at night when the vandals are out.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

Acceptance of LEROY PLACE as a City Street (letter dated 3-23-74) - (Held in Committee on 5-6-74 and 6-3-74)

MR. ROSS, Chairman, said this item is being HELD IN COMMITTEE for further investigation.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE:

RESOLUTION NO. 955 entitled: "APPROVING CONTRACT FOR SALE OF LAND FOR PRIVATE REDEVELOPMENT TO STAMFORD ENTERPRISES, INC. BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT" - (Letter from URC dated 3-18-74; Resolution received 6-20-74) - (Held in Committee 5-6-74 and 6-3-74)

MR. FLANAGAN said that his Committee at a meeting attended by Representatives Gambino, Costello, Martino and Flanagan voted to recommend approval of the following resolution pending approval of the working by the Legislative & Rules Committee. He said the contract and resolution have been approved by Joel Freedman and by HUD. HE MOVED to approve the following resolution. Seconded by MR. SERRANI, who said the Legislative & Rules Committee concurs, and by MR. ROSS who said the Planning and Zoning Committee concurs. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 955

APPROVING CONTRACT FOR SALE OF LAND FOR PRIVATE REDEVELOPMENT TO STAMFORD ENTERPRISES, INC. BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford, Connecticut is engaged in an Urban Renewal Project designated as the "Southeast Quadrant (Extended Urban Renewal Project, Conn. R-43) as more particularly set forth in an Urban Renewal Plan dated March 4, 1963, as amended from time to time thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the agency of the City responsible for said Project is the Urban Redevelopment Commission, herein referred to as the "Commission"; and

WHEREAS, the Commission, in the furtherance of said Urban Renewal Plan has acquired certain properties for the purpose of widening Willow Street (now Tresser Boulevard) between Atlantic Street and Washington Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, as a result of said widening, a fragment of land "or sliver parcel" was created consisting of approximately 2,360 square feet; and

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WHEREAS, said "sliver parcel" immediately adjoins and abuts a property owned by Stamford Enterprises, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Stamford Enterprises, Inc. has requested that said "sliver parcel" be sold to it for a fair reuse value; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, an agency of the federal government, has determined, in a letter dated November 14, 1973 that a price of \$2,250 is a fair and reasonable price for said "sliver parcel"; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that said "sliver parcel" has little or no value to any owner except the abutting land owner, and that it would be in the public interest to return said "sliver parcel" to the tax rolls as soon as possible; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has complied with all other requirements of state and local law applicable to the disposal of said parcel; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut:

- (1) That a Contract for the Sale of Land for Private Redevelopment of the herein described "sliver parcel" may be entered into between Stamford Enterprises, Inc., the abutting land owner, and the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission and the City of Stamford, Connecticut;
- (2) That the Chairman of the Commission and the Mayor of the City of Stamford, Connecticut are hereby authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to implement this resolution.

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MR. ROSS said he would like the record to show which Representatives are still present at the meeting and MOVED for a roll call. Seconded by MR. SERRANI.

ROLL CALL at 1:50 a.m. indicated the following 26 Representatives were present:

BLOIS, Julius (D)  
BOCCUZZI, John (D)  
CROSEY, Robert (R)  
DIXON, Handy (D)  
FLANAGAN, William (R)  
FORMAN, Barbara (R)  
GUROIAN, Armen (D)  
HOFFMAN, Leonard (R)  
KELLY, James (D)  
KNAPP, Warren (D)  
LAITMAN, Marilyn (D)  
LOWDEN, Lynn (D)  
MILLER, Frederick (D)

MORABITO, Joseph (D)  
PERTINO, Alfred (D)  
PERKINS, Billie (R)  
PONT-BRIANT, Lois (R)  
RAVALLESE, George (D)  
ROSE, Matthew (D)  
ROSS, Salvan (D)  
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)  
SAINBURG, Richard (R)  
SANDOR, John (D)  
SERRANI, Thom (D)  
TRESSER, Michael (R)  
WALSE, Peter (D).

MR. CROSBY said he would suggest that the caucuses begin promptly at 7 o'clock and end at 8 so that the meeting can start on time and not last as late as they have been.

MR. SERRANI said this Board should consider having two meetings per month.

MR. MORABITO suggested the agenda be cut down at the Steering Committee level.

DRUG & ALCOHOL ABUSE COMMITTEE:

DR. LOWDEN said he and co-chairmen MR. CROSBY have established contact with Liberation House personal and have a meeting scheduled for July 9 and will have a report for next month's meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

THE PRESIDENT read a card received from Velma Farrell thanking the Board for comments and tributes paid to her at the June Board meeting.

THE PRESIDENT read an invitation from the Stamford Housing Authority and the Stamford Manor Tenants Association inviting all Board members to a reception in honor of the opening of the addition to Stamford Manor and its new tenants on July 8 from 4 to 6 p.m. at 26 Main Street.

THE PRESIDENT noted that Bill Murphy, former member of this Board for many years was operated on in Hartford on June 14th, and is now at home, 1655 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, 06117.

THE PRESIDENT read a letter inviting Board members to a dinner dance at the Italian Center on September 6, 1974 to honor recently-appointed Fire Chief Joseph J. Vittl.

NEW BUSINESS:

MR. DIXON asked what this Board can do to see that the ordinances it has passed are enforced.

Suggestions were made that the proper enforcement agency should be contacted.

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ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 a.m.

*Sally Flaherty*

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Administrative Assistant and  
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:

*Frederick E. Miller, Jr.*

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

Note: Above meeting was broadcast  
over Radio Station WSTC until  
1:04 a.m.

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