

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 2, 1977

14th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

Stamford, Connecticut

A regular monthly meeting of the 14th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, May 2, 1977, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives on the second floor of the Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the PRESIDENT, FREDERICK E. MILLER, JR., at 8:30 P.M., after both political parties had met in caucus.

INVOCATION: The Rev. Vasilios Remoundos, Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation.

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

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

- (1) EUGENE F. BARRY - Mr. George Connors requested that we honor the late Eugene F. Barry, who was a former member of the Board and one of his colleagues and his neighbor.

Mr. David Blum seconded that request, stating that the late Mr. Barry was President of the Carpenters Union Local 210, Health and Welfare Fund. Mr. Blum said Mr. Barry served his fellowman and his fellow-workers with dignity and gave them all representation in Stamford.

- (2) HAROLD EDWARDS - Mr. Jeremiah Livingston asked that the Board honor the memory of the late Harold Edwards who was one of his constituents and was the President of the Stamford Elks; and that he was a tremendous man and had great impact on his neighborhood.
- (3) EDWARD WIENSKI, D.D.S. - Mrs. Barbara McInerney requested a Moment of Silence and respect for Edward Wienski, a dentist of the Stamford Community, who brought much to this community and said he should be remembered fondly.
- (4) NOAH N. SOLOFF - Mrs. Barbara McInerney asked that the Board also honor the memory of the late Noah N. Soloff who contributed much to this community.

ROLL CALL: The CLERK, SANDRA GOLDSTEIN, took the Roll Call. There were 37 members present and 3 absent. The absent members were LEONARD HOFFMAN, CHRISTINE NIZOLEK, and ADAM OSUCH.

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MR. MILLER: The CHAIR declares a QUORUM, there being 37 present and 3 absent. Mr. Livingston has left the room, so we won't have 37.

CHECK OF THE VOTING MACHINE: The President conducted a check of the voting machine and found it to be in good working order.

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:

The PRESIDENT announced the following Committee appointments:

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Vere Wiesley.

DRUG & ALCOHOL ABUSE COMMITTEE - John Schlechtweg
John Zelinski

HOUSE COMMITTEE - S. A. Signore

PAGES: GINA GUARNARI, Turn-of-River School
MICHAEL GUARNARI, Westhill High School

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

July 12, 1976 Regular Meeting - Motion made to accept, seconded, carried unanimously.

July 19, 1976 Adjourned Meeting - No motion made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MR. BLOIS MOVED to WAIVE the reading of the STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT. SECONDED and APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTMEETING HELD MONDAY, APRIL 18, 1977

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held on Monday, April 18, 1977, in the Democratic Caucus Room, Second Floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic St., Stamford, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order by the CHAIRMAN and PRESIDENT of the Board, Frederick E. Miller, Jr. at 8:07 P.M. There were 17 members present and 2 absent. The absent members were: Jeremiah Livingston and Jeanne-Lois Santy.

The following matters on the TENTATIVE STEERING AGENDA were acted upon:

(1) APPOINTMENTS

One appointment, that of Mr. Orvel Stamm (R) to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate (second submission) was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(2) FISCAL ITEMS

Seventeen fiscal items were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA and referred to the Fiscal Committee, with those calling for amounts over \$2,000.00 being referred to secondary committees. One item was ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE, that of \$3,196.50 for Board of Recreation - Sterling Farms - Insurance - Code 663.1301.

LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

- (3) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF CONSTITUTIONAL FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION covering a six-inch strip of City-owned land.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA and referred to Legislative and Rules Committee; also to Planning and Zoning Committee and Urban Renewal Committee.

- (4) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO SUSPEND ORDINANCE NO. 343 RE SEPARATION OF NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES FROM PUTRESCIBLE GARBAGE, ETC. (TO A LATER EFFECTIVE DATE). From Reps. McInerney and Zimble.

Above ordered OFF THE AGENDA.

- (5) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO COMMEMORATE THE BIRTHDAY OF REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AS A CITY HOLIDAY EVERY JANUARY 15th.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Legislative & Rules; also to Personnel Committee.

- (6) LETTER OF 2/8/77 FROM MAYOR RE LAWSUIT "WILLIAM M. IVLER ET AL vs. CITY OF STAMFORD DOCKET NO. 025263 8, SUPERIOR COURT AT STAMFORD" regarding the tax districts.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (7) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 332 PROVIDING FOR A TAX ABATEMENT FOR "PILGRIM TOWERS" LOCATED AT WASHINGTON COURT.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to L&R.

- (8) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED FAIR EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE FOR CITY OF STAMFORD CONCERNING LABOR STANDARDS AND CONTRACTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PUBLIC OR PUBLICLY-AIDED CONSTRUCTION.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to L&R.

- (9) REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE for construction of new Heritage Center building on grounds of Fort Stamford.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to L&R.

- (10) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL THAT ALL EASEMENTS GRANTED TO THE CITY BE NEGOTIATED AND DRAWN UP BY THE LAW DEPARTMENT, in a clear, concise and specific manner.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to L&R.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)

LEGISLATIVE ITEMS (continued)

- (11) ORDINANCE REQUESTED BY CITY REP. MICHAEL G. MORGAN REGARDING ELECTRIC SIGNS.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in L&R; also referred to Planning & Zoning Committee.

- (12) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL REQUIRING THAT JOB APPLICANTS BE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD FOR SIX MONTHS PRIOR TO FILING APPLICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

- (13) THE MATTER OF PENSIONS FOR REGISTRARS OF VOTERS AND ASSISTANT REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in L&R; also referred to PERSONNEL and FISCAL Committees.

- (14) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO CONTROL AND REGULATE EXCAVATION, FILLING, AND GRADING.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in L&R; also referred to Environmental Protection and Planning & Zoning Committees.

- (15) TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST FROM MIRACLE FAITH OUTREACH (MIRACLE FAITH TABERNACLE INC., 91 HOPE ST. re a house purchased in 1975 at 62 Valley Road.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in L&R.

- (16) THE MATTER OF CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES, THEIR REGULATION, ETC. This item added to the tentative Steering Agenda.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in L&R.

- (17) MEMO dated 4/13/77 from City Rep. David Blum re VIOLATION OF SECTION 8-41 of General Statutes re Housing Authority employees and civil service laws.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

- (18) THE MATTER OF EIGHT CIVIL SERVICE APPOINTMENTS QUESTIONED BY PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION. Not on Tentative Steering Agenda.

Above ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE in PERSONNEL.

- (19) MATTER OF MORATORIUM ON CONDOMINIUMS AND MULTIPLE DWELLING UNITS - from Courtland Terrace Assn. Also questioning legality of condominiums under existing zoning regulations in Stamford.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Planning & Zoning Committee.

- (20) MATTER OF COURTLAND TERRACE ASSN. SUPPORTING ITALIAN-AMERICAN ASSN. AGAINST X-RATED MOVIE HOUSE.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Planning & Zoning Committee.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)

LEGISLATIVE MATTERS (continued)

- (21) REQUEST FROM PITNEY BOWES TO RE-NAME WALNUT STREET TO WALTER H. WHEELER, JR.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Planning & Zoning Committee.

- (22) LETTER FROM FINANCE BOARD CHAIRMAN PAUL CALLAHAN 4/15/77 TO DPW COMM. ROTONDO explaining why they have decided not to fund Spring Clean-Up for this year and suggesting some alternatives.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Public Works Committee.

- (23) LETTER FROM FINANCE BOARD CHAIRMAN PAUL CALLAHAN 4/15/77 to DPW COMM. ROTONDO suggesting utilization of funds that were to have been available for transfer to Spring Clean-Up Account to be used to bridge the deficits existing in Rotondo's salary accounts.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Public Works ^Committee.

- (24) MAYOR CLAPES' LETTER 1/14/77 ENCLOSING NICHOLAS TARZIA'S LETTER of 1/10/77 OF CITIZENS ACTION LOBBY re creation of a local consumer protection agency.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Health and Protection Committee; also L&R.

- (25) LETTER FROM CITY REPS. McINERNEY AND WIDER REGARDING SECURITY AT STAMFORD RAILROAD STATION due to removal of 2 patrolmen.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Health and Protection Committee.

- (26) THE MATTER OF AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS AND THEIR POLICE POWERS.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE; also to L&R.

- (27) DR. RALPH GOFSTEIN'S LETTER 4/6/77 WITH A RAFT OF MATERIAL RE FEE SCHEDULES for Health Dept., permits, ordinances, etc.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Health and Protection Committee.

- (28) THE MATTER OF PRESSPRICH ST. BEING MADE ONE WAY, ETC.

Above ORDERED KILLED.

- (29) THE MATTER OF DEBRIS AND GARBAGE CONTINUING TO BE DEPOSITED ON HAIG AVE. Thomas D'Agostino asked this matter be investigated and handled.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Health & Protection; also to Public ^Works.

- (30) THE MATTER OF BEACH STICKERS; also correcting previous fees sent re parking stickers..that senior citizen resident and/or taxpayers shall be no charge.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Parks & Recreation.

- (31) FEES, CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS ON THEATRE, MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SOFTBALL, BOATING, CUBETA STADIUM - from Supt. Giordano 4/15/77.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Parks & Recreation.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)

(32) PARK SUPT. COOK'S LETTER 4/6/77 RE NORWALK COMMUNITY COLLEGE ARCHAEOLOGY
STUDENTS being allowed to use Levine/Finch property under certain conditions.
Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to Parks & Recreation Committee.

(33) LETTER FROM HEALTH DEPT. RE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

(34) MATTER OF GENOVESE PROPERTY, THE FILLING THEREOF, DANNELL DRIVE VICINITY.

Above ordered OFF THE AGENDA.

(35) THE MATTER OF HANOVER-MAGEE YARDS.

Above ordered OFF THE AGENDA.

(36) LETTER 4/15/77 FROM JOSEPH L. IGNAZIO, CHIEF, PLANNING DIV., DEPT. OF ARMY,
NEW ENGLAND DIV., CORPS OF ENGINEERS, WALTHAM, MASS. advising they have
finalized an A/E contract with Research Corp. of New England (TRC), Wethers-
field, Conn. to prepare environmental reports on six navigational projects,
which include Westcott Cove, etc.

Above ordered ON THE AGENDA to Environmental Protection Committee.

(37) MATTER OF ALTERATIONS TO VOTING MACHINE IN ORDER TO RECORD VOTES AUTOMATIC-
ALLY. Thomsen's Audio submitted design and proposal. Held since 2/9/77.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA to HOUSE COMMITTEE.

(38) THE TENTH CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION HAS SUBMITTED ITS FINAL REPORT:
"PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER OF CITY OF STAMFORD" DATED 4/1/77.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

(39) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD PROPOSED RESOLUTION RE SHELTER HOUSING by David Blum.

Above ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under RESOLUTIONS.

(40) LETTER FROM ISADORE MACKLET 4/1/77 SUGGESTING A CHARTER AND ORDINANCE
ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION - received from Paul Kuczo.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

(41) LETTER FROM MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATORS ASSOCIATION, PRES. CARL NEHRING,
dated 4/15/77 expressing disappointment in the Arthur Andersen study.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

(42) LETTER DATED 4/15/77 FROM M.I.T.A.C. Chairman Nancy McAfee re the City's
personnel practices and suggesting some alternatives.

Above ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA.

There being no further business to come before the STEERING COMMITTEE, on
MOTION, DULY SECONDED AND CARRIED, the meeting was ADJOURNED at 8:45 P.M.
(There was a Leadership meeting immediately following which lasted until
10:15 P.M.)

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Handy Dixon

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - ALTERNATE

(1) MR. ORVEL STAMM (R)
33 Slice Drive
(Second Submission)
Replacing Loren Jaffee who
became a regular ZBA member -
Mr. Stamm to serve the balance
of Mr. Jaffe's term.

APPROVED:

24 YES
11 NO (Morgan, Zimblar, Dixon,
Wiesley, Fox, Goldstein, Wider,
Livingston, Sherer, Cosentini,
Miller)
2 ABSTENTIONS (Lowden, Blum)

Term Expires
Dec. 1, 1980

MR. DIXON: The Appointments Committee did not hold a meeting prior to this meeting for the simple reason that the only name appearing on the agenda is that of Mr. Stamm. The Appointments Committee did meet with and interviewed Mr. Stamm on March 31st; and I, as Chairman of this committee, and I only speak for myself, saw no reason for having a second interview with Mr. Stamm. The vote of the committee was 4 in favor, 4 against, 1 abstention, with two members being absent; therefore, the committee voted to deny approval of Mr. Stamm in that meeting and I would so MOVE now in accordance with the committee vote.

MR. MILLER: I think we will accept your vote, Mr. Dixon, and make it easier, since I know there are some members in favor of this appointment, the Chair would accept a motion in favor of the appointment with the clear understanding that the recommendation of the committee is negative.

DR. LOWDEN: Point of order. I think what Handy said, maybe he didn't mean it, It was 4, 4 and 1, and that is not a negative vote.

MR. DIXON: The vote of the committee was 3 in favor, 4 against, 1 abstention; with 2 being absent.

MR. MILLER: That would have to be a negative report. If somebody would make a motion in favor of confirmation, then it would be an easier vote.

MRS. SANTY: I MOVE for Mr. Stamm's nomination tonight.

MR. MILLER: Motion SECONDED.

MRS. SANTY: Mr. Stamm is a gentleman of the highest integrity, respected by all his friends, neighbors and business associates. He has an outstanding background; he is willing and eager to serve his City, and I urge his confirmation tonight.

MR. MILLER: We should be clear on what has happened. The report of the Appointments Committee is that the Board should not confirm this nomination. However, a motion has been made in favor of confirmation, and when we vote, a Yes vote would be for confirmation, a No vote against confirmation. Is there any other discussion?

MR. SIGNORE: I am a member of the Appointments Committee and I interviewed Mr. Stamm. I voted in favor of Mr. Stamm that particular evening. I found him to be a well-qualified and intelligent man, non-political, which is very important today.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SIGNORE (continuing) I feel that once he is appointed to this Board, he will be a credit to it and to the City of Stamford. We should not play petty politics on this and see if we can get this matter cleared up this evening.

MR. LOBOZZA: I would just like to comment on Mr. Dixon's report. I've been sitting here on the Board, where people were voted down in committee, and yet Mr. Dixon came out and asked for approval of this man; I would wish that we would get some consistency. I made a point of it at a couple of meetings that we should get some consistency into these committee reports and especially his, that if it's going to be a negative report, and if he is going to be reporting it out for approval even though it is a negative report, that he does it the same way all the time, but not change just on one particular one.

MR. MILLER: I think we understand what the committee has done. I don't think that's a problem.

MR. MORGAN: Mr. Dixon is a conscientious, hard-working, dedicated Chairman of the Appointments Committee and I respect his judgment. He is a credit to this Board and on the basis of his report, I frequently base the decision on how I'll vote and would follow his lead again tonight.

MR. RAVALLESE: I am on the Appointments Committee and voted for Mr. Stamm and feel he is a well-qualified man for the job, and above all, he is a former East-sider, so he has got to be good.

MR. CONNORS: I have to go along with Mr. Ravallese. He was my neighbor for a good many years and you wouldn't want a better neighbor than Mr. Stamm.

MR. SHERER: I, too, am on the Appointments Committee and voted against Mr. Stamm. After a very thorough interview with Mr. Stamm, found him to be of high integrity and probably a very conscientious individual and perhaps would make an excellent neighbor; however, I felt personally that he had some very serious misconceptions concerning the responsibilities of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Therefore, I felt that he could be of better use to Stamford, perhaps a great plus to Stamford on another commission and I would certainly vote for him on another commission, but not for the Zoning Board of Appeals.

MR. SIGNORE: I sat on that committee, Mr. Sherer, and I don't like to disagree with one of my fellow Republicans, but I didn't gain that same impression as he did. I think that some people may have an axe to grind, I'm sorry to say.

MR. LIVINGSTON: My only remark is that I would like to compliment Mr. Sherer for saying that he made the vote and giving the reasons why he gave a negative one, not that I agree with Mr. Sherer, but I know that kind of a statement takes courage and hopefully some of the other members who perhaps voted against this man would also speak up.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. LOOMIS: MOVE the QUESTION.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED. There has been a request for a ROLL CALL vote. The Chair sees a sufficient number, one-fifth of the members present desire a ROLL CALL vote. The Clerk will call the roll.

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR:

Mildred Perillo
George Hays
Ralph Loomis
George Ravallesse
Alfred Perillo
S.A. Signore
Marie Hawe
James Lobozza
Jeanne-Lois Santy
Mildred Ritchie
William Flanagan
John Schlechtweg, II
Thomas D'Agostino
Gerald Rybnick
Joseph DeRose
Barbara McInerney
Julius Blois
George Baxter
John Zelinski, Jr.
Robert Costello
Leo Carlucci
George Connors
John Sandor
Peter Walsh

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION:

Michael Morgan
Kurt Zimble
Handy Dixon
Vere Wiesley
John Fox
Sandra Goldstein
Lathon Wider, Sr.
Jeremiah Livingston
Donald Sherer
Audrey Cosentini
Frederick Miller, Jr.

ABSTENTIONS:

Lynn Lowden
David Blum

ABSENT:

Leonard Hoffman
Adam Osuch
Christine Nizolek

MR. MILLER: Mr. Stamm has been CONFIRMED by a vote of 24 YES, 11 NO and 2 ABSTENTIONS.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Michael G. Morgan

- (1) REQUEST FROM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR, NANCY L. MITCHELL, for consideration of the third year plan which requires approval by May 3, 1977. A presentation was made to the Fiscal Committee on Thursday, April 14, 1977, at which 14 members were present.

MR. MORGAN: The Third Year Community Development Block Grant application has been an extremely complex and difficult matter for the committee to consider. This application was presented to us forty-five days ago, and although that sounds like a long time it really turned out not to be. The members of the committee used part of this time to study this proposal in depth and in addition we held a Special Meeting on April 14th, in which the entire Board was invited in order to participate in the questioning of the Community Development staff and representatives of the administration. What we discovered was significant problems in this program, and while we had enough time to discover them, we did not have enough time to correct them.

So once again this Board finds itself with its back against the wall. The Community Development Program must be approved tonight, or we lose more than two million dollars in federal funds. HUD does provide two thirty-day extensions when problems like ours arrive, but Mrs. Mitchell has used up these extensions prior to submitting the plan to us. Neither the committee's deliberations, nor its votes, on this request are marred by any partisanship, although the vote on the request itself was scattered, the committee was UNANIMOUS in its belief that there should be a full and frank discussion on the problems that we found. The committee by a vote of 5 in favor, 2 against and 3 abstentions voted in favor of the proposal as it was presented. Those voted in favor were: Lathon Wider, Jeremiah Livingston, Gerald Rybnick, George Hays, and Mildred Ritchie. Those voting against were: Ralph Loomis and Jack Schlechtweg. Those members who abstained were: Sandra Goldstein and Audrey Cosentini and myself, therefore, the Fiscal Committee's report is favorable, but as Chairman, I find myself in a difficult position, because Nancy Mitchell, the Community Development Director, has attempted to malign my motives and my integrity in the press today.

I will stand on the statements that I made to the media earlier today, but I believe she is wrong on her facts in this instance as she has been on so many other things. It just appears to me to be a flight of fancy or her imagination. I would like to move on to a discussion, though, of the more substantive matters that are before us. Just so that there is no misunderstanding, I asked Ralph Loomis, a member of the Fiscal Committee, to point out some of the serious violations of state law that have occurred in the Community Development Program in the last several years. With your permission, I would like to yield to Mr. Loomis at this point.

MR. LIVINGSTON: I wish to be recognized to discuss, not to discuss, but perhaps as a point of information, I really don't understand the whole text of Mr. Morgan's statement.

MR. LOOMIS: To respond to Mr. Morgan's report, just let me quote from Title A of the Connecticut Statute, Section 8-169d. There are several things in this section; I will just refer to two.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. LOOMIS (continuing) First of all, it says forty-five days prior to the approval of the Community Development Plan, a copy of that plan must be filed simultaneously to several agencies, including the Urban Redevelopment Agency, the Town and City Clerk's Office and other bodies. To my knowledge, I know it was not filed with the Urban Redevelopment Agency; and I'm reasonably certain it was not filed with the Town and City Clerk's Office within this forty-five day period, so right there is a problem. Further in this section, and I will quote directly, because this is more important, "prior to the approval of a Community Development Plan, at least two public hearings shall be held on such a plan; at least one of which shall have been held by the legislative body not less than thirty days after the Community Development Plan has been filed for public inspection". So what the State Statute says is that the legislative body, in this case in the City of Stamford, the Board of Representatives, must have had a public hearing on this plan.

We have not had a public hearing on this plan, nor did we have a public hearing last year, nor did we have a public hearing the year before, and we have not been informed of this until we, ourselves, had to dig it out of the statute. The position of the Community Development office is that we couldn't modify, fool around, or in anyway tamper their precious program. It's the intent of the legislators who wrote this act that the legislative body would analyze, review, assess look over the Community Development Program, make plans as they saw fit, and then send it on back to the Mayor; and this is as it should be, because in all the municipalities you have an executive and a legislative body, and they are meant to work and interact with each other, as you cannot have one body just simply forcing a program or an issue, in saying take it or leave it, it's all or nothing, and that's wrong. That is why this act in the Connecticut Statute is written the way it was. Indeed, the president of the Community Development Association which Mrs. Mitchell is a member, clearly supports that point of view.

Our problem is that we have been once again put into a time situation where we don't have the number of days needed to have a hearing and to perhaps discuss any changes or modification or revisions we might want to make in the plan. Mrs. Mitchell maintains that we would be violating the law if we were to modify the plan here tonight. The fact is, the plan has already been violated through its negligence of these sections of the Connecticut Statute. Just let me make two other statements. I think, personally, that the manner in which these monies, two million dollars have been disbursed and thrown about this City is not in the best interest of Stamford. There are two fundamentals of the Community Development Act, one is that these funds should be concentrated in areas where they can have the greatest impact, and the second is that they help those in the low to moderate income ranges. I maintain that we could do nothing more to achieve both those goals than to invest money in our Urban Redevelopment Project downtown and get it over with. Now the last thing I would like to say is that I take exception to the irresponsible and the.....

MR. LIVINGSTON: Point of order, Mr. President. My point of order is that Mr. Morgan referred to Mr. Loomis to give some kind of a statement; but I question that getting into personal details about the personality that runs the Community Development Act.

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MR. LIVINGSTON (continuing) Another point of order, Mr. President is that Mr. Morgan gave his report, but he does not speak in behalf of the membership. The membership of that committee voted in favor of the report. He gave an absolute negative report with personal comments.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Livingston, you were Chairman of one of the committees involved with this. I am going to go back to Mr. Loomis. I want him to complete his statement, then I am going to call on Mr. Costello, who is Chairman of the Urban Renewal Committee; and then Mr. Livingston, who chairs the Housing and General Relocation Committee.

MR. LOOMIS: With Mr. Livingston's indulgence, I just have one last comment and that simply is this, that the completion, the successful completion of the Urban Redevelopment Project requires the co-operation of the Mayor's office, the Community Development office and the Urban Redevelopment Commission. I really fail to see where the Community Development office has made any effort to strike up that co-operation. The other point is this, there were statements made about Mr. Morgan's employment status a few years ago, today in the press. I checked with the Lenz Administration, people who were involved, who indeed were doing the hiring and they say the statements that were made in the press were simply and flatly untrue.

MR. MILLER: Before we proceed, I think this matter is important enough to require the attendance on the floor of all the members present. I think what we are discussing is very important; there is altogether too much conversation going on in this room on the floor. We are going to proceed now with the reports from the other two committees.

MR. MORGAN: Point of order. Just for Mr. Livingston's edification, my report as Fiscal Committee Chairman was favorable; if he wasn't listening, I reported that the committee voted 5 in favor, 2 against and 3 abstentions, so the Fiscal Committee is making a favorable report. I would also like to remind Mr. Livingston, who was in attendance last Wednesday at the Fiscal Committee meeting, that the committee voted unanimously 10-0 that we would have a full and frank discussion tonight of the problems that we have found. Perhaps he has forgotten that, but I think that the other members of the committee certainly remember.

MR. LIVINGSTON: My point of personal privilege is to inform Mr. Morgan that he speaks for himself and not for the committee.

MR. MILLER: Well, that's not a point of personal privilege, Mr. Livingston.

MR. COSTELLO: The Urban Renewal Committee met jointly with the Fiscal Committee and took a vote with 1 in favor, 2 opposed and 1 abstention at that time.

MR. MILLER: Thank you, so the report of the Urban Renewal Committee is negative.

MR. LIVINGSTON: The Housing and General Relocation Committee did not meet on this particular item.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SCHLECHTWEG: I was a member of both committees, the Urban Renewal and the Fiscal Committee which voted against this particular item. I feel that I was slighted in the sense that a procedural type of a problem existed. It was told to us that we weren't able to amend this particular project and I felt that was an out-and-out lie. I would not like to see monies go down the drain if this was the case, it was not going to be amended, I would change my vote to a "yes" vote, but I do feel slighted on this particular item because we weren't informed.

MR. CONNORS: I've sat down with the Community Development people two or three times in Rogers School. I thought they were doing a wonderful job on the Eastside. They have been traveling the whole City of Stamford. They are trying to do a good job. There's no doubt they are not going to make everybody happy, but that is a point of contention. I think Mrs. Mitchell has done a wonderful job all the way down the line and I feel we should have a little confidence in her to uphold what she is doing. She is trying to get some federal money, and if we don't get that federal money, somebody else might. I feel that we should stick up for our own committee in the City of Stamford.

MR. BLUM: I see there are many discrepancies here tonight in regard to this Community Development Grant. We are only repeating ourselves again of last year; and last year if I remember, we tagged an addition to the grant, or the ordinance, to have a quarterly report on the ongoing results of what was happening to the monies of this Community Development. At the last meeting we had here with the Community Development people I spoke of the other two reports, and we find that monies are still laying around and projects have not been done and so on.

There are programs that I do want to see go through that involved senior citizens, low and moderate income people, but I think that we have to attach a wording to this. I would like to make a motion that this be accepted with modifications at a later date. That we, the Board of Representatives, who are entitled to call a public hearing in regard to this matter, and we had none, this wasn't allowed. I would like to make a motion that the addition of modifications to this be added.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Blum, you are speaking to make an amendment to the motion which is on the floor made on behalf of the Fiscal Committee. Seconded by Mr. Wider. We will now have to confine our discussion to the motion.

MR. LIVINGSTON: Point of information. Mr. President, to your knowledge is this something that we can do legitimately?

MR. MILLER: It is my understanding that there is a problem, a question, and as far as the Chair is concerned, the Chair will accept the motion, but the Chair is not able to give an opinion as to the legality of the action, if it is indeed taken by this Board, and I don't know that there is anyone here on the Board who would be able to give an authoritative answer to that question, Mr. Livingston. So as far as procedure is concerned on the floor of the Board, the Chair will accept the motion, but the Chair is not able at this time to give an opinion as to whether or not this action would be proper as far as the law is concerned.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. LIVINGSTON: With the Chair knowing this, Mr. President, and recognizing that we might be jeopardizing two million dollars to the City of Stamford, then perhaps there should be further discussion before we get involved in this kind of a vote; therefore, I ask that we have a five-minute recess.

MR. MILLER: We will talk to the Leadership about that; Mr. Blois, Mrs. Cosentini, Mr. Signore? We will take a recess.

RECESS FROM 9:12 P.M. - 9:47 P.M.

MR. MILLER: Will you please take your seats so we can proceed with this matter?

MR. MORGAN: Before we took our recess, Mr. Blum had made a motion that we accept the Community Development application with the understanding that there might be some modifications made at a future date. While we were in our recess, we drafted language which I would like to read and then ask if Mr. Blum would accept it as a substitute for this amendment. All the Board members have on their desks a resolution that was drafted by the Corporation Counsel's office, which is the form by which we approve the Community Development application this year, and I would like to read it: "Be it resolved by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford that - 1) the Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to file the Community Development application for the third year of the Community Development Program as submitted to the Board and attached to this resolution and incorporated herein all understandings and assurances contained therein;

2) the Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby directed and designated as authorized representative of the City of Stamford to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required in connection therewith
3) the Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution"; and then at this point add the following language "with the expressed understanding that the Board of Representatives, as the governing body of the municipality, may amend the Community Development application as permitted by State and Federal law". If Mr. Blum would accept that language as a substitute to his motion, I think then that we could proceed

MR. BLUM: Accepted.

MR. MILLER: Alright, would you accept that, as the seconder, Mr. Wider? Is there a second to Mr. Morgan's motion? Seconded by many.

MR. LOBOZZA: I would just like to say a couple of things; one, I am not too happy that there wasn't money in this for Springdale, but on the other hand, I think everyone in the City of Stamford can benefit by this Community Development fund this year and I'd like people to look at it a little closely. There is almost \$500,000 in there that normally would have gone in our Capital Projects Budget this year, and you take that over a twenty-year period, that's one million dollars saved for the taxpayers of the City of Stamford.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. LOBOZZA: (continuing) For the first time we are getting a definite break out of this Community Development Fund where it helps us, and I just don't like to see special-interest groups come in here and try and pressure people on this Board to come out under one, say they're doing it for one reason and come out and do it for another reason, because they want to put the money someplace else that isn't going to help the taxpayer.

MR. MILLER: Well, technically, now we have to vote on an amendment, don't we, Mr. Morgan: So we will have to take that vote before we take the vote on the main motion which is item number one under Fiscal.

MR. BLUM: First of all, Mr. Miller, I do not have on my desk a copy of this resolution. You say that everyone has it and everyone is looking for a copy. Yes, we heard this in the caucus. I've looked through my packet and I don't find it. Mr. Livingston talks about political aspirations and what not; I know one thing, that the public has a right to be heard. When the public came out, when they had the Community Development seminars and open hearings and so on, they came out with sixty-five different proposals. Now it's a question which is the priority in regard to what the Community Development money is supposed to be used for. There is quite a bit of funds that have been used in various ways that I feel should have been used elsewhere, but like I said before, I don't want to jeopardize problems that I feel are necessary, such as senior citizens and neighborhood preservation, but I also feel that some of the programs have not been funded or funded or used rightly.

I did make my statement in regard to the Housing Authority, where in the first year of the program, I believe it was for \$80,000, then the following year was \$180,000 on heating and energy preservation; and here again this program we got \$222,000 for the same types of programs. I feel we need a fire-house in the West side. Like Mr. Livingston states, is ninety-one years old; it doesn't give those who work there the best conditions in which to work under. I agree with all these things. A fire-house is just as important as a library, but I also say, so do the neighborhoods have to be rehabilitated. Our neighborhoods are going down, down, and need money for rehabilitation. Not only is it in central City, but we can go in areas in Glenbrook that are deteriorated already and are on the way of going down. So I say it would have been better to use this money for neighborhood preservation and rehabilitation.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: Three years in a row I have asked for money for Springdale for keeping the gym open at night for the kids to play basketball, for senior citizens; and for three years in a row I have gotten nothing, so therefore, Mr. President, I would like to show that I will abstain from voting.

MR. MILLER: We are taking a vote first on an amendment brought forward by Mr. Morgan and then on the main motion. It is 10:00 p.m. and we have had quite a few speakers on this topic and we have more names on the list. I would suggest to the membership that the members keep in mind we do have a special meeting tomorrow evening on Charter Revision.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. HAYS: I must speak in favor of the amendment as proposed by Mr. Morgan. There are too many forces who would like to move these funds and their own private pet projects. I personally would like to see many thousands of dollars go to supplement our now deprived recreation program. I would like to see the school custodians kept around; come out of the Community Development funds to help these youngsters play basketball. They were really deprived at the annual banquet last year because the Board of Recreation was not allowed to keep its commitment as a co-sponsor, it gave them nothing. If we pursue this amendment we will have time to orderly process these, given the proper rationale and come up with a good consensus among all of us.

MR. LOOMIS: I would like to support the amendment that Mr. Morgan has made and I would like to reply to Mr. Livingston, in no way this language jeopardizes the CD funds. All we are doing is exercising our rightful prerogative as I understand State Statute say and perhaps it's a future point in the next twelve months to take another look at these funds, and if perhaps modifications or revisions are in order exercise that right, so I speak in favor of the amendment.

MRS. RITCHIE: I support it also, probably a little selfishly, because I have a commitment of \$100,000 for the 10th District for community neighborhood redevelopment, but I feel that if we've dumped things for the past two years in the wrong vein, one more time won't hurt. May I suggest that we form a Community Development Committee to work along with Mrs. Mitchell in her department in the future, so we can have our fingers sort of in the pie right through the year and not at the last minute say they fail to do this and we fail to do that. This way there will be an open line between both Boards and departments.

MR. CONNORS: Mr. Chairman, as I stated in the caucus, I did attend different meetings with Mrs. Mitchell and the Community Development Association. Now I am very curious, we never had any trouble until we got mixed up with the West Side Fire House, and believe me, when I tell you members I wish you would go up and look at that Fire House. I think someone should go up there remove the jacks and let the trucks fall into the cellar, which I think they will, and I feel that there might be another angle to it. Now there's only a 3% tax, in other word, people are only going to pay 3% on their loans for rehabilitation on their homes. Now has that got any bearing on it, I wonder if it has. I wonder if somebody else is getting into this, if there is a little bit of lobbying on the outside, that is what I'm curious about. Because I know if you go to the bank it would be 9.5% which they advertise many, many times. Now if people could borrow money to rehabilitate their homes which I know at the meetings I attended and there were quite a few people there, I will tell you that those people didn't go away from there very unhappy and I thought Mrs. Mitchell did a very good job.

MR. DIXON: I am sure that everyone sitting here is thinking at least in terms of what is in the best interest of the City and I am equally sure that the more we talk about this, the more confused we get. I know that while we try to please everybody it is almost an impossibility and I see no reason why this Board should ever have to operate under strenuous pressure.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DIXON (continuing) We have the taxpayers on one side saying that we can't increase taxes. We have a situation on the West Side where we are going to have to have a Fire House even at the taxpayers' expense. We have an opportunity now to get a Fire House built out of this block grant without going directly to the taxpayers, so you can see where I'm coming from. It is a difficult thing to decide on when you weigh the pros and cons. I would just hope that we would consider very carefully the possibility of losing the total grant and I hope that in the end we certainly will have done the best thing. I would at this time like to move the question, but I know I can't do that.

MR. MILLER: We will take a vote now on Mr. Morgan's proposed amendment which he read. It's not a final action on a matter on the agenda so there doesn't have to be a record, but there was a roll call vote. The Chair sees a sufficient number, the vote will be taken by roll call.

MRS. COSENTINI: Mr. President, isn't that substantially really replacing the original motion rather than amendment to it?

MR. MILLER: I don't think so because we did add this language, so we will take a vote on the amendment. Would you please read the motion, Mr. Morgan?

MR. MORGAN: The added language would be with the expressed understanding that the Board of Representatives as the governing body of the municipality may amend the Community Development application as permitted by State and Federal law.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Zimble has left the meeting; there are now 36 members present. The Clerk will call the roll.

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR:

Michael Morgan
Handy Dixon
George Hays
Ralph Loomis
S.A. Signore
Vere Wiesley
Marie Hawe
Jeanne-Lois Santy
John Fox
William Flanagan
John Schlechtweg, II
Sandra Goldstein

Lynn Lowden
Thomas D'Agostino
Lathon Wider, Sr.
Julius Blois
George Baxter
Donald Sherer
Robert Costello
David Blum
John Sandor
Peter Walsh
Audrey Cosentini
Frederick Miller, Jr.

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION:

Mildred Perillo
George Ravallese
Alfred Perillo
James Loboza
Mildred Ritchie
Barbara McInerney
John Zelinski, Jr.
Leo Carlucci
George Connors
Gerald Rybnick
Joseph DeRose
Jeremiah Livingston

ABSENT:

Leonard Hoffman
Adam Osuch
Christine Nizolek
Kurt Zimble

MR. MILLER: The MOTION is CARRIED, 24 YES; 12 NO votes.

MR. MORGAN: I would like to MOVE that we accept the Community Development proposal as amended.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. We will vote on the main motion. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 2, 1977FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)RESOLUTION NO. 1092AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO FILE
ITS APPLICATION FOR THIRD YEAR FUNDING
AND TO ACT IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

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

1. The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to file the Community Development application for the third year of the Community Development Program as submitted to this Board and attached to this resolution and incorporated herein including all understandings and assurances contained therein.

2. The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby directed and designated, as authorized representative of the City of Stamford, to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required in connection therewith.

3. The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution, with the expressed understanding that the Board of Representatives, as the governing body of the municipality, may amend the Community Development application, as permitted by State and Federal law.

- (2) BOARD OF EDUCATION - REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR "VOCATIONAL HORTICULTURAL REGIONAL CENTER", STAMFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS, CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET, 1976/1977, pursuant to Public Act No. 493 "An Act Concerning Application for School Building Grants (1969 Session of General Assembly). Mayor Clapes' letter 4/13/77, Asst. Supt. Business Benjamin R. Reed's letter 4/7/77.

MR. MORGAN: As the members of the Board recall, we approved the project at a previous meeting and this resolution would enable the City to apply for the funds. The Board of Finance approval is not required and the Fiscal Committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED. We will take a DIVISION using the machine. Mr. Ravallese has left the meeting, so there are 35 members participating in this vote. The MOTION is CARRIED, with 25 YES, 4 NO votes, and 6 ABSTENTIONS. The NO votes are Marie Hawe, James Lobozza, Jeanne-Lois Santy, and Barbara McInerney. The ABSTENTIONS are Mildred Perillo, S. A. Signore, Sandra Goldstein, Joseph DeRose, Jeremiah Livingston, and George Baxter.

RESOLUTION NO. 1094

AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD
TO FILE PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE AID GRANT FOR A
CAPITAL PROJECT TO BE KNOWN AS "VOCATIONAL HORTICULTURAL
REGIONAL CENTER" PURSUANT TO PUBLIC ACT NO. 493.

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

1. The Board of Education of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized to file a preliminary application for State aid grant for a "VOCATIONAL HORTICULTURAL REGIONAL CENTER", Stamford Public Schools, Capital Projects Budget, 1976/1977, pursuant to Public Act No. 493 "An Act Concerning Application for School Building Grants (1969 Session of General Assembly)".
2. The Board of Education is hereby directed and designated, as authorized representative of the City of Stamford, to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required in connection therewith.
3. That this Resolution shall take effect upon enactment.

(Resolution No. 1093 is the 1977-1978 Budget Resolution enacted on May 12, 1977), dated May 16, 1977 and filed with the Town and City Clerk, as per City Charter.)

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 2, 1977FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (3) \$ 500.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Code 810.0000 - Additional appropriation to be reimbursed by 100% PREPAID GRANT under P. L. 90-576 - this is a grant modification providing funds to THREE HIGH SCHOOLS to purchase equipment and instructional supplies for use in the CONSUMER HOME ECONOMICS PROGRAM for current fiscal year. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77. Asst. Supt. Business Benjamin Reed's letter 4/13/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED by many. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (4) \$ 619.50 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Code 810.0000 - Additional appropriation to be reimbursed by 100% GRANT under P. L. 90-576; fund for RIPPOWAM HIGH SCHOOL to purchase equipment for use in its NURSING ASSISTANT PROGRAM for 76/77 year. Mr. Reed's letter 4/13/77. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (5) \$ 600.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Code 870.0000 - Additional appropriation to be reimbursed by 100% PREPAID GRANT under Title VII, P. L. 93-380 to be received from State of Connecticut, Bureau of Elementary and Secondary Education, State Education Department, for RIGHT TO READ SERVICE AGREEMENT GRANT for the school system for period March 1, 1977 to June 30, 1977. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77. Mr. Benjamin Reed's letter 4/13/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (6) \$31,901.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Additional Appropriation to cover CONTRACT costs between Board of Education and Stamford Aide Association for 1976/1977 Operating Budget:
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| Additional Payroll Cost | \$29,665.00 |
| Additional Social Security | 1,735.00 |
| Additional Cost of Voluntary Medical Insurance (based on 25 Aides) | 501.00 |
| | <u>\$31,901.00</u> |

Board of Finance approved 4/14/77. Mr. Reed's letter 3/15/77.

MR. MORGAN: We have voted to HOLD this in committee pending a meeting with the Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Reed.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Personnel Committee did meet with Mr. Reed and Mr. Morris on the item and we voted 8-0 in favor of the item, but of course we are amenable to holding it.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. WIDER: Through you to Mr. Morgan, is there any time limit on this particular request?

MR. MORGAN: Mr. Reed assured me that a delay of one month would not have any adverse impact on this appropriation. He is going to be out of town on the day that he was scheduled to meet with the Fiscal Committee. So he just asked that we carry it over in which I agreed. We don't have a problem.

- (7) \$ 406.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - Code 101.5106 - Additional Appropriation for ENROLLMENT ACCOUNT as mandated by law, per Mayor Clapes' letter 4/5/77, quoting letter he received from Mrs. Tatano and Mrs. McCauley, Registrars. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (8) \$ 25.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 550.0920 - Request use of this money which has already been deposited to their Gift Acct., Code 550.0920. Received from United Methodist Women, Diamond Hill United Methodist Church, payable to S.H.A.P.E. Mayor Clapes' letter 5/5/77; Dr. Gofstein's letter 3/17/77. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. BAXTER: Mr. Morgan, when the Health Department gets these gifts, does this money replace money they would otherwise spend on their budget, or does it mean that \$25.00 over and above they would spend is going to be spent on whatever the donor's intent was? In other words, I am wondering if through the back door it ends up being a gift to the City, that the City can save \$25.00 it would otherwise have spent.

MR. MORGAN: I am not sure if there is a pattern to these. From time to time various groups do make contributions to the Health Dept. I am sure they are not expected to be received by the Health Dept. and they are allocated in a different way each and every time, so that's the best I can answer the question.

- (9) \$ 3,000.00 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Additional Appropriation to cover GRANT received from Connecticut Commission on the Arts:

Code 114.0102 Part-time Salary for Music Coordinator	\$2,800.00
Code 114.2201 Equipment-Musical Equipment and File for Music Program	200.00
	<u>\$3,000.00</u>

Per Mayor Clapes' letter 4/6/77; Mrs. Dolores Russell's letter 3/29/77 stating this grant for MUSIC PROJECT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS to run until Oct. 31, 1977. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Personnel concurs.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(10) \$ 575.00 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Code 114.0701 - AUTO OPERATION MAINTENANCE - Additional Appropriation to be reimbursed by TITLE XX funds. Mayor's letter 4/7/77; Mrs. Russell's letter 4/4/77. Approx. \$250. is for gasoline for new Dial-A-Ride Bus soon to be received; balance for maintenance of old bus. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED.

MRS. McINERNEY: Point of information. If I might, through you, Mr. President, ask Mr. Morgan if he knows whether or not this Dial-A-Ride bus goes up to my district or my area to pick up some of the seniors. I have had a lot of telephone calls from some of the elderly in the past supporting the need for a new bus and when I asked them about taking advantage of the bus as it is, they told me that the drivers would not go up there and pick them up. A few of them had to take the bus down to Stamford to an area where their friends were picked up. I would hope that with all these monies and the two buses that they can now give some of the residents who are elderly and live in the outskirts in the City the same benefits of those who live down in the inside or the inner City areas.

MR. MORGAN: It is my understanding that the Dial-A-Ride Service is supposed to go up into Mrs. McInerney's neighborhood. In fact, this is the third vehicle for the Dial-A-Ride program and while it hadn't been delivered the day the Commission on Aging was before us the vehicle was supposed to be delivered that very week. So now that they do have a third vehicle, I see no reason why your constituents aren't receiving that service. It is my understanding that they should be.

MR. MILLER: The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(11) \$ 18,600.00 - TOWN AND CITY CLERK - Additional Appropriation per Mrs. Pont-Briant's letter 3/17/77 and Mayor Clapes' letter 4/6/77. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

210.0901 Special Professional Service-Comparison of Indices of Land Records.	\$ 5,500.00
210.1102 Record Books - microfilming and processing into Land Record Books	6,600.00
210.1107 Maintenance of Indices - increased volume increases maintenance costs.	6,500.00
	<u>\$18,600.00</u>

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor and I would so MOVE.

MR. WIESLEY: Education, Welfare and Government concurs.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(12) \$ 11,300.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Amendment to the 1976-1977 Capital Projects Budget to be known as "STORM DRAIN AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT - BERTIMOR DRIVE" - to be funded by the issuance of BONDS, per Mayor Clapes' letter 4/5/77; DPW Comm. Rotondo's letter 3/15/77 and accompanying itemized data re costs. Board of Finance approved 4/14/77 SUBJECT TO PLANNING BOARD APPROVAL.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 to HOLD this.

MR. PERILLO: Public Works Committee met on this, but because of time element and meetings with other committees, the committee did not take a vote this.

MR. BLUM: Health and Protection - this was in our committee prior and we voted favorably for this at the last meeting.

MR. MILLER: So you are moving it out to the floor. SECONDED by Mrs. Santy. We are open for discussion on the item which is being reported out favorably by the Health and Protection Committee.

MRS. SANTY: After speaking to Mr. Bernstein last evening, I believe this appropriation was denied because the Planning Board did not have all the facts or understand the circumstances surrounding this request. Last year this request was investigated carefully by the Health and Protection Committee, Mr. Weber, Mr. Sabia, Commissioner Rotondo, Mayor Clapes and the Board of Finance, all giving this their unanimous approval. Mr. Smith and Mr. Bernstein have put this request on the Planning Board agenda again tomorrow night. I would like to move for this approval tonight pending Planning Board approval.

MR. SIGNORE: This morning I had an opportunity to talk to Commissioner Rotondo on this particular item and he felt the same way that there was a misunderstanding of some kind and he requested that possibly the Board of Representatives could approve it, subject to Planning Board's approval tomorrow evening. I believe some one will, I know that Mrs. Santy and myself will be there to explain the situation to the Planning Board and we are looking for approval of it by the Planning Board tomorrow evening. So we wish that the Board would take a favorable vote on this particular item this evening.

MR. MORGAN: I think it would be appropriate just to continue to HOLD this in committee until the Stamford Planning Board does, in fact, take some action on it. I would recommend continuing with the recommendation of the Fiscal Committee which is to HOLD.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER: You might if you chose to make a motion to put this back into the Health and Protection Committee and that would close off discussion for the evening.

MR. MORGAN: I MOVE that this be put back into the Health and Protection Committee.

MR. MILLER: Seconded by Mr. Fox.

MRS. COSENTINI: Mr. Chairman, if the Board approves this tonight and the Planning Board then does not give its approval, what happens to this appropriation?

MR. MILLER: It would have to begin at the beginning. You would have to begin the process again. I don't think it is particularly good practice to be passing anything on this Board subject to the approval of the Board of Finance, the Planning Board or any other body. We now have a motion before the Board which was made and seconded to return this item to the Health and Protection Committee and we will address our remarks to that question.

MR. BLUM: As the Chairman of the Health and Protection Committee, what does by holding it another month, what further action can this committee take? We have investigate this, I have been to the property; we know the problem of the people on Bertmor Drive. It's a shortcut street. There are children whose lives are endangered, are coming through this property from the church into Bertmor Drive. Now I don't know what they consider any emergency, but do we have to have one child killed, then we have an emergency? Is that what the Planning Board thinks? This creates an emergency by taking of a life?

MR. D'AGOSTINO: I was going to MOVE the question, but too many people want to speak.

MR. LOBOZZA: I can't understand the logic of the Planning Board. I have seen some of the things that come out of that office for \$200,000 for industrial service roads that don't help the public, and here, I really don't want to bear the responsibility of a child losing his life on that street just because we want to put it back and hold it another month.

MR. SIGNORE: I agree with Mr. Blum and Mr. Loboza, however, I wish to make another point. I think this is something that's pending which should have been done by the City since 1954, and to speak about \$11,000 being such a large amount of money, I see the Planning Board spending much more than that without a big-to-do about it. I think that this item should go through this evening without any problems. I do hope the Planning Board would reconsider immediately.

MRS. SANTY: Mr. President and members of the Board, this request has been on our agenda in Health and Protection 6, 8, 9 months. We have investigated thoroughly. We have had the Engineering Department, we have had the Public Works Department and the Mayor involved in it.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. SANTY (continuing) This street was accepted as a street with a dead end in 1954 and it was never completed by the City. We are responsible for this. They have cars with drag strips going through there, they are taking down mailboxes, a picture window was shot at, there are children playing in the school ground, there are cars racing through morning, noon and night. When these people purchased their homes over there and they are paying a great deal of money, they understood it was to be a dead-end street. They didn't ask for a \$11,000 request, all they wanted was a simple barrier. It was the judgement of the Engineering Department and Commissioner Rotondo to spend this amount of money. All they wanted was a steel barrier, but apparently a fire hydrant is in the wrong position and other things have to be completed, storm drain, but I have a petition here and it is on record in this Board of a unanimous approval of every member, every taxpayer of Bertmor Drive, Club Rd., the St. Cecelia's Church and school, all asking for it.

These people are calling morning, noon and night; they need this for the safety of their children. If you were over there you could check with the police records, the vandalism that occurs in this area and there is no other way of controlling it except doing what we should have done in 1954.

MR. ZELINSKI: We are here representing our constituents and even though this particular Bertmor Drive is not in my district, I am sure if there was a street that had a problem which seems to be quite serious in this case, I certainly would want the Board to approve that street. So I would wholeheartedly support this appropriation and hope that it passes.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. We will proceed to a vote on the motion to put this back in committee, Health and Protection. The motion is LOST. We will proceed to a vote on the main motion. The Chair would have to say for the record that it is quite obvious we are trying to change the normal progression of events here, and the Chair would have to say for the record, that it would seem that if after this Board acts favorably on this matter, the Planning Board persisted in its present posture on the question whatever this Board does this evening would be of no force and effect, because this Board simply cannot change the normal order in which these matters are taken up.

MR. SIGNORE: Point of order. We have done this before. It is not that this is being done the first time.

MR. MILLER: I don't know that it has been done with the Planning Board. It has been done with the Board of Finance, but in quite different circumstances, Mr. Signore. There were circumstances in which there was agreement informally by both Boards, and there were certain time pressures. This matter is quite different. This is a situation where it might be that the Board of Representatives is making a policy decision very different from the will of the Planning Board so the Chair doesn't agree that this is like those few instances involving the Board of Finance.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN: I was on the list to speak about the previous motion, but what I have to say is equally appropriate here, and that is when the Public Works Department appeared before the Fiscal Committee last week to discuss this particular request there seemed to be some disagreement among the members of that department who were present about the best way was to solve this problem. Whether or not building a cul-de-sac would actually be the cheapest and best way. In fact, one of the proposals that was made was that instead of this king of a project that a bump be built on the property line. So it would seem to me that not only is there the question of the procedural of whether or not this Board wants to approve something contingent upon Planning Board approval, but I also think that we have some substantive differences in that the Public Works Department is not of one mind about what the best engineering approach to this particular problem should be. I think until both these matters are resolved, the proper thing would be to hold this.

MR. MILLER: Of course we are now voting on the main motion.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: I think that Mrs. Santy and Mr. Signore made a very convincing case for the necessity of something being done in relation to Bertmor Drive. My question to them really is this, is it so impossible to wait the extra month so that we can have legitimate Planning Board approval and get the other items ironed out in the Public Works Department and then bring what seems a very, very good proposal before the Board next month?

MR. BLUM: I have in my possession here many letters in regard to Bertmor Drive. One of them is from Mr. William Sabia, the engineer. This is his recommendation: Eight foot diameter cul-de-sac the relocation of a fire hydrant, the relocation of two catch basins, remove top soil in front of two properties, remove three trees in the way of the cul-de-sac, pave the entire area so that the street run-off will get into the catch basin, and other letters. I even have a letter in the amount of money that this will all cost from Mr. Rotondo. This has been progressed for quite some time. What kind of department are we running up there in that Public Works Department?

MRS. SANTY: It was very clear to me that Commissioner Rotondo definitely knew what he wanted to do over there, and he went through the Engineering Dept. I don't know who spoke before your committee. Mr. Morgan, through the Chair, but I spoke to Mr. Rotondo this afternoon and he said this is the way it has to be done properly and right. It was his suggestion, he partially takes fault with not having a presentation at the Planning Board, I was also partially at fault except that I was told that I didn't have to go to the Planning Board, because this was routine and the Finance Board is amazed that they didn't approve it, since they approved so many of these things routinely.

I told you I spoke to Mr. Bernstein, I have shed a lot of light on it, he wants it again on the agenda tomorrow night. Mr. Smith has put it on the agenda. Commissioner Rotondo suggested that we put it through our Board for approval tonight and in all likelihood it will be approved tomorrow night. Yes, there is harm in waiting, these people have been waiting a year; there are small children there, there is a child with a handicap. These people have bought property, two families now thinking this was a dead-end street, and they do have problems. As I said the City map states it should have been a dead-end street in 1954.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. WIDER: I think if I had the same condition in my neighborhood I would be fighting equally as hard and maybe harder, but on the other hand, it is kind of bad when we try to change procedures in the middle of the stream, because then you go down. I see where the Planning Board has a little hazard here for us. I think in order not to fall in their trap, what we should do is table this for another month and see if we can't get a hold of that Planning Board and have Mr. Bernstein and the rest of those people to come out with a favorable report so that we could go ahead and get this hazard taken care of. I would like to make a motion that we table it for another month.

MR. MILLER: We already voted on that. We in effect, voted against doing that when we had the motion to put it back in committee. That's how we table these matters on the Board and the Board just defeated that motion. I will accept your motion to table, Mr. Wider. Motion SECONDED by Mr. Dixon.

MRS. COSENTINI: The discussion here tonight that disturbs me most, I really am not uptight whether it is a bump or a barrier, that is best left to the City engineer, but I thought if I am not mistaken, that I heard contradictory testimony, as it were, in terms of what the neighbors want. The Planning Board letter seems to say that because the neighbors do not want this, they voted against it, Mrs. Santy says that indeed they had a petition with all the signatures on it. I think this is probably the key question that ought to be cleared up, what do the neighbors want?

MR. MORGAN: The second question, that I think we need to deal with is what does the Public Works Dept. want to do, because clearly there is a difference between what Mrs. Santy has been told and what the Fiscal Committee has been told. We considered their regular operating budget for the year and these two particular requests, we discussed this and it was the Public Works Commissioner who was the applicant of the bump, rather than the barrier. So it seems to me that there is confusion on that point as well. So if we have confusion on what the neighbors want and if we have confusion on what the Public Works want, we certainly have confusion on what the Public Works Commissioner wants to do. I think we ought to find out what the Planning Board is going to do before we act.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The MOTION is LOST. We will proceed with the debate on the main motion.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The Fiscal Committee desires to HOLD this, but it was reported out favorably by the Health and Protection Committee. It has not received the approval of the Planning Board necessary for passage tonight. The MOTION is CARRIED.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 2, 1977FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN: Point of order. Is part of the motion that this is approved pending the Planning Board?

MR. MILLER: It would be approved pending the approval by the Planning Board, which is an unusual procedure and perhaps without precedent. It won't be legitimate if the Planning Board doesn't approve of it. What you do here tonight will not have any force and effect, so you have to face the fact that it is not a situation where there is informal agreement between two Boards. There seems to be a definite disagreement, but we will proceed to a vote. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. We will take a DIVISION with those abstaining indicated. Mr. Baxter will be recorded as abstaining. With 35 members recorded as present, the MOTION is CARRIED with 23 YES votes, I'm sorry, it would have to be two-thirds of the members present. Alright, the motion is carried with 32 persons actually present at the meeting. 23 YES votes; 2 NO (L. Wider, F. Miller, Jr.) 7 ABSTENTIONS. The MOTION is CARRIED.

MRS. MCINERNEY: I would like to know whether I'd be in order requesting through you or to Mr. Morgan, there was some indication that the Public Works Dept. was not clear in their mind as to what they wanted to do on this street. Now is it possible...what I wanted to do is to ask you if it isn't possible to attach something to this vote saying that if they change their mind and opt for a lesser maintenance improvement that the balance of the funds be returned to.....

MR. MILLER: We have already completed the vote, so it is too late to attach something to that particular vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 1095

AMENDMENT TO THE 1976-1977 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY
ADDING THERETO A PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF ELEVEN THOUSAND
THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$11,300.00) TO BE ENTITLED "PUBLIC
WORKS DEPARTMENT - STORM DRAIN AND ROAD IMPROVEMENT -
BERTMOR DRIVE - TO BE FINANCED BY THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS.

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford in accordance with the City Charter:

1. To adopt an amendment to the 1976-1977 Capital Projects Budget by adding a project in the amount of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$11,300.00) to be known as "Public Works Department - Storm Drain and Road Improvement - Bertmor Drive".
 2. To authorize the financing of said project by the issuance of bonds.
 3. That this resolution shall take effect upon enactment.
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FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (13) \$181,755.49 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - AMENDMENT TO THE 1976/77 CAPITAL BUDGET - is known as "WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY"
 see breakdown at right below** to cover all engineering and construction costs necessary to complete the facility. Mayor's letter 4/7/77; DFW Comm. Rotondo's letter 4/5/77; also Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Inc. list of O/S invoices; and Campanella's change orders and charges. BOARD OF FINANCE on 4/14/77 APPROVED \$181,755.49 (reducing it from original request \$205,000. with approval of Mr. Rotondo who felt data furnished insufficient for total billing)
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| <u>Note: **</u> | 90% GRANT REIMBURSABLE by State and Federal | = \$163,579.94 |
| | 10% City's Share | = 18,175.55 |
| | | <u>\$181,755.49</u> |

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-1 in favor and before I move it I should just point out for the edification of the members, this is just a name change. This is the Secondary Sewage Treatment Plant and I am sure that the people in Shippan know that a rose by any other name can smell as sweet, but with a vote of 7-1 I would so MOVE.

DR. LOWDEN: Environmental Protection concur unanimously.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED.

MR. PERILLO: Public Works again, because of the time element and other committee meetings, we did not vote on this.

MR. LOBOZZA: I would like to see this appropriation HELD IN COMMITTEE for one month for the simple reason that.....

MR. MILLER: MOVED AND SECONDED.

MR. LOBOZZA: About six months ago, we asked Commissioner Rotondo for a copy of the change orders that brought this up to \$181,000 in our inquiry into the problems of the Sewage Treatment Plant. To date, we have not received them. What he came in with was not a copy of the change order, so I would like to see this HELD for a month so the Public Works Committee, who is very knowledgeable on the goings on down there get a good opportunity to look this over.

MR. SCHLECHTWEG: I would like to get some sort of clarification on what we are talking about on this particular item. I see \$181,000 and it is 90% grant reimbursed. The City would be paying 10%, what is this for? I am not really clear on the item.

MR. MORGAN: Let me make two comments, first in response to Mr. Schlechtweg. The appropriation is to cover four general categories, change orders, the resident engineer's salary, some general engineering costs and the contingency fund.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN (continuing) In respect to Mr. Loboza's request that this be held in committee pending receipt of the change orders, I think that this is a reasonable request. This has been a terrifically, a controversial project and it has caused all kinds of concern in that particular part of town. I think it is important for this Board to keep on top of that and the Public Works Committee I know has done a fine job in talking about the engineering aspect of this project, and so I would not vote a motion to hold pending a further investigation of that order as being in order.

MR. SCHLECHTWEG: Am I to understand the plant is not complete? Is this what the appropriation is for?

MR. MORGAN: Yes, that's right.

MR. SCHLECHTWEG: Does anyone know when it is going to be completed? We have been putting out money after money. I am just trying to get some sort of clarification when the money is going to cease going out.

MR. MORGAN: Mr. Schlechtweg is asking a very good question. We have gotten a -different answer every time we have asked it. This is a project that is critical to the City, and I think that we need to move forward on it, but no matter what we seem to do for the Public Works Department, they never seem to quite solve the problem. It is clearly disappointing. That is really the best I can answer it, but the answer to your question specifically, is no, the Secondary Sewage Treatment Plant is not completed at the present time.

MR. MILLER: I think perhaps at this point, maybe the Leader had better determine the direction of this meeting. It is five minutes to eleven and there are three choices. Either we move this meeting along and get finished by about twelve or twelve-thirty or we stay here until three or four in the morning, or come back Monday night, so your votes are going to be recorded for posterity no matter how you vote. We haven't finished the Fiscal agenda.

MR. BAXTER: Listening to the debate tonight, I wonder if I understand the situation correctly. Mr. Loboza, as I understand him, that there have been a number of change orders to this project that have not, and the documentation and substantiation for these change orders has not, met his satisfaction. And I understand, Mr. Morgan from your comments that is possibly the same with you and yet, you reported 7-1 vote of your committee in favor of this in spite of that, and also the Finance Board appears to have voted for it. Did your Board and did the Board of Finance consider these inadequate substantiations of change orders and if so, why did they react and why did they ignore it?

MR. MORGAN: In reply to Mr. Baxter's question, generally the Fiscal Committee limits itself to a discussion of the financial aspects of these projects and it was on that basis that our committee voted 7-1 in favor.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MORGAN (continuing) After taking the vote I learned from members of the Public Works Committee, particularly, Mr. Loboza and Mr. Perillo, the Chairman, that the change orders that the Public Works Committee, which is primarily interested in the engineering aspects of the project had not received the things that they requested, and it's a project that I know that they are intimately involved with. And if nothing else, than just as a courtesy, I think that we should give that courtesy to the Public Works Committee and also we should do everything that we can to find out exactly what is going on down there, because the problem is not being solved.

MRS. COSENTINI: I just want to say I think there are some problems associated with that water pollution control facility that cannot continually be dumped on the personnel involved. I think there are some problems with design, with construction and so forth, and I hope that we can as in other issues that we address on the Board, confine ourselves to a discussion of the specifics on the agenda and not make these generalized statements all the time as general potshots.

MR. LOBOZZA: I don't understand Mrs. Cosentini, because no one is taking general potshots on anybody here, but I think we have to really judge some of these appropriations and presentations that come before us on merit, too. We have been told before that things were federally reimbursed. We see no documentation to that yet, they were stuck in the Capital Projects Account and we had to pay for them. Now there are people telling us that there are things here that we are paying for that are State mandated and they press them through committees, that way we find out later on that they are not State mandated. We have a problem. I called this place a thirteen million dollar white elephant about a year ago. Now it is turning out to be almost a fifteen million dollar white elephant. If somebody doesn't take a little responsibility and look into the problems down here, this City is going to be saddled with something that we are going to be paying for forever.

MR. SHERER: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED.

MR. BLOIS: I would like to MOVE that we Suspend the Rules for the purpose of there are five people waiting in the audience that have been there approximately three and one-half hours - this is on the Puerto Rican Parade. I would like to move to Parks and Recreation Committee and refer to Mr. Sandor.

MR. MILLER: Motion made and SECONDED. The motion is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - John Sandor

SUSPENSION OF RULES

(4) PUERTO RICAN PARADE TO BE HELD IN STAMFORD ON JUNE 19, 1977.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING MAY 2, 1977PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SANDOR: I have a letter dated April 26, 1977 from Angel Gutierrez, President of the Puerto Rican Parade of Conn., Inc. which reads as follows:

"The following is our second letter to you, in attempt to receive permission for the Statewide Puerto Rican Parade to be held in Stamford on June 19, 1977.

In order that the Parade be held here, we must first request it from the Central Committee of the Puerto Rican Parade on May 6, 1977. However, the requisite is that we have prior permission from the necessary City officials in order to request the parade.

As the Local Committee we are aware that we will be responsible for coming up with the parade costs. As it was agreed in our meeting with the Parks and Recreation Committee on February 23, 1977 the permission was granted if we could cover the costs.

We, therefore, will like to have a letter indicating that in case the Puerto Rican Parade Central Committee grants us the parade you will have no objection to having it held here in Stamford, on the above date.

On May 6, 1977 we will know whether the parade has been granted to us, and we can then work on all necessary arrangements and requisites requested by you. You can see why it would be fruitless to present you will all necessary requisites prior to receiving the parade from the Central Committee.

It is with highest hopes that we sent this letter to be presented and voted on your meeting of May 2, 1977."

MR. MILLER: Motion made to approve the parade. SECONDED by Mr. Blois.

MR. SANDOR: I make a MOTION to SUSPEND THE RULES.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. SANDOR: I make a MOTION that we grant this permission for this parade as per their letter.

MRS. HAWES: I would like to ask Mr. Sandor, has the group agreed to pay all costs?

MR. SANDOR: Yes, according to their letter.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. HAWES: Do you know if this includes the additional police that will be needed for the parade?

MR. SANDOR: Well, it says if we could cover the costs, so I assume it's everything that has to go with it.

MR. BLOIS: I think I can clarify that. I just spoke to the group and they assured me that they would pick up all costs, policemen and firemen, whatever it required to put the parade on.

MR. SHERER: I just have a question as to what criteria we require in approving a parade application, when in fact, we don't know what they're offering to meet our standards. Could anyone answer that for me? I mean, is it only a question of insurance or is there something more we require?

MR. LIVINGSTON: I too, talked with the group and they have stated that they must apply to a Central Committee in that they are competing with other Spanish communities in order to get the funds to sponsor this parade. This parade will be funded totally at their expense. This letter that they are requesting our Board to give them will allow them to submit an application.

MR. BLOIS: I think the question Mr. Sherer asked is - do they have to go through and get permission from our Police Dept. and so forth. They have to abide by the rules and regulations set by the Police Department, the Fire Department and so forth and our committee of the Board of Representatives, it is a regular ritual. They have to put up insurance policies and everything else.

MR. SHERER: What my question is then, is our criteria any stricter than what their Central Committee is going to demand from them?

MR. BLOIS: Mr. Sherer, I think to answer your question, they are competing for this parade with ten other towns. Now, they might not even have it in Stamford. There is a possibility that Bridgeport or another town would get it. So it is supposition, it is something that may be approved by the Central Committee and it may not be.

MR. BAXTER: I have a couple of questions and comments. The first is, I would only be concerned whether they would pay for the additional police protection if it is the custom of the City to charge anybody who has a parade for police protection. If people who have parades pay the extra police protection then these people should, but mostly I'm wondering what it is they want out of us, that is, if the police have to approve the route and that's our standard procedure. In other words, what essentially the Board resolution's saying that we would welcome their parade, in fact we would be proud of their parade to happen in Stamford. We would co-operate with them in getting it to take place, if that would be sufficient for them, or do they want an ordinance.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER: I think what had better happen and what can't be resolved right now is that the committee, Parks and Recreation Committee, perhaps could research this. To tell the truth, Mr. Baxter, I don't know where it is written that anybody has to come to this Board for permission to hold a parade, but we have routinely given permission for the parades that we all know about. There have been occasionally parades held in Stamford without the authorization of this Board. So I think there are questions being raised here that probably nobody knows the answer to and I don't know that anybody can answer your question.

MR. BAXTER: My point is, Mr. Miller, that if the people need something to take back to their Central Committee and if we can, without committing ourselves to dispensing any of our rules, give them essentially the Board resolution that Stamford would be proud to have such a parade in our City, and that doesn't commit us to waiving any of the other requirements, then maybe that would be enough for them to tilt the balance in favor of Stamford. I think it would be a great idea for Stamford to be the host for that parade.

MR. MILLER: All we had was a request to have a parade. I don't know that we have to get into this business as to whether Stamford should have a favorable position competing with other cities. I think we are spending too much time on something that should be routine, unless somebody wants to do some research on it. So we have one motion, if you want to make an amendment, we have an amendment made by Mr. Baxter. Does Mr. Sandor accept Mr. Baxter's proposed change in the resolution? Would Mr. Baxter repeat it.

MR. BAXTER: I would make in sense that the Board resolution that the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford would be pleased to be host to the Puerto Rican Parade.

MR. MILLER: Do you accept that, Mr. Sandor?

MR. SANDOR: They are asking permission to have the parade providing their Central Committee is going to allow them to have the parade in Stamford and we have been giving permission to other people. I am not accepting Mr. Baxter's motion if it is going to deny them from having the parade.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Baxter, I guess we will have to vote on your amendment then.

MR. BAXTER: Mr. Miller, I withdraw my amendment; he is the sponsor of it, let him do what he wants.

MR. MILLER: We have a motion on the floor for approval of this parade; it has be SECONDED.

MRS. McINERNEY: Point of Information. I wanted to ask Mr. Sandor through you, if he has - he mentioned about a map. Do you have a proposed route planned and do you have a time period involved with the parade?

MR. SANDOR: I do have a map of where they propose to have the parade. If you want I will read it, and tell you where it is going to originate and where it is going to end.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. McINERNEY: Please do, I would like to know what the route of the parade is.

MRS. SANDOR: It is going to originate in Scalzi Park, come up Bridge St. to Summer Street, down Summer St. to Broad St., down Broad St. to Grove St., then to Elm St. and all the way over to Shippan Avenue, and disperse at the park over at West Beach.

MRS. McINERNEY: Do you have a time element, and the other question is June the 19th is Father's Day.

MR. SANDOR: Yes, and I have a note here that says four hours would do it.

MR. HAYS: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. The question is on approval for this parade. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Mr. Connors and Mr. Wielsey have left the floor of the Board.

FISCAL COMMITTEE

(14) \$ 1,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Code 410.0103 - DOG WARDEN -OVER-TIME-
Mayor's letter 4/5/77; Lt. J.T. Considine's letter 3/18/77.
Board of Finance approved 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: We are going to HOLD this pending a meeting with the Dog Warden.

(15) \$ 50,000.00 - BOARD OF RECREATION - AMENDMENT TO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS
BUDGET for fiscal year 1967/77 BY ADDING TO THE PROJECT,
KNOWN AS "ETHEL KWESKIN STERLING BARN THEATRE" THE SUM OF
FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) which amount represents
a GRANT from the ETHEL KWESKIN FOUNDATION. Approved by
Board of Finance 4/14/77.

MR. MORGAN: Our committee voted 7-0 in favor, and I would so MOVE.

MR. SANDOR: Parks and Recreation concurs.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Resolution on next page.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)RESOLUTION NO. 1096

AMENDING THE 1976-1977 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY
 ADDING THERETO A PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY
 THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$50,000.00) TO BE ENTITLED "ETHEL
 KWESKIN STERLING BARN THEATRE - BOARD OF RECREATION"
 TO BE FINANCED BY A GRANT FROM ETHEL KWESKIN FOUNDATION.

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY the Board of Representatives
 of the City of Stamford in accordance with the City Charter:

1. To adopt an amendment to the 1976-1977 Capital Projects Budget by adding a project in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) to be known as "The Ethel Kweskin Sterling Barn Theatre - Board of Recreation".
2. To authorize the financing of said project through a grant from the Ethel Kweskin Foundation, Stamford, Connecticut.
3. That this Resolution shall take effect upon enactment.

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- (16) REQUEST FROM FINANCE COMMISSIONER J. DWIGHT HADLEY DATED 4/11/77 FOR
 APPROVAL OF A CLAIM AGAINST THE CITY OF STAMFORD (CONSOLIDATED EXCAVATING
 COMPANY, INC. vs CITY OF STAMFORD in the amount of \$93,203.60, as a
 result of the Greenwich Avenue Sewer Project, in accordance with Section
 486 of the Charter. No money needed. Board of Finance gave approval 4/14/77

MR. MORGAN: Commissioner Hadley was not able to attend our Fiscal Committee meeting and he asked that we HOLD this for another month in which the Committee agreed to by a vote of 8-0.

MR. PERILLO: Again, because of time element and meeting with other committees, we did not vote on this.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: Sewer Committee voted in favor of this.

MR. MORGAN: If Mr. D'Agostino's committee has already considered this matter and does feel favorably inclined, I personally, would have no objection to approving and I think it's somethin we are going to have to pay sooner or later anyway, the sooner the better.

MR. D'GOSTINO: This man has waited for his money for an awful long time and he has got the sewer project stopped up in a particular district until he gets paid. So, I think we should pay him and get it out of the way.

MR. LOBOZZA: I, too, would like to echo Mr. D'Agostino's sentiments on this, that we have a whole system up in our district that isn't working and I think Consolidated Excavating has some financial problems now. If we could bail them out, it's a good possibility that we could get this other project finished off and get the sewers working in Springdale.

MR. ZELINSKI: MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. We will take a DIVISION using the machine and before we do, I would like the Clerk to call the roll. There are 33 present and 7 absent (Kurt A. Zimmler, Leonard A. Hoffman, George Ravallase, Adam E. Osuch, Vere Wiesley, Christine M. Nizolek, George V. Connors). The MOTION is CARRIED with 31 YES; 1 NO (John Sandor) and 1 ABSTENTION.

MR. MORGAN: I want to thank you all for the cake. That concludes the committee's report.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - John Wayne Fox

- (1) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF CONSTITUTIONAL FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, covering a six-inch strip of City-owned land, described as follows:

BEGINNING at the intersection of Atlantic Street and Luther street and running South 82° 25' 50" East, a total of 106.90 feet".

Per letter of John E. Smyth, Asst. Corp. Counsel dated 3/24/77.
Approved by Board of Finance 4/14/77.

MR. FOX: The Legislative and Rules Committee met on April 27th, at which time seven members were present. In light of the fact that we are dealing with an ordinance, the committee voted 5-0 to WAIVE PUBLICATION of the ordinance and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: The MOTION IS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with 33 members of the Board present.

MR. FOX: The committee then voted 5-0 in favor of FINAL ADOPTION of this ordinance and I would so MOVE.

MR. BAXTER: PLANNING AND ZONING - No report.

MR. COSTELLO: URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE voted 6-0 in full agreement.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. Mr. Morgan has left the meeting, so there are now 32 members of the Board present. This is in final adoption of an ordinance. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCE NO. 355 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO CONSTITUTION FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF RE-FACING THE NORTHERLY WALL OF THE BUILDING LOCATED ON THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF LUTHER ST.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

in conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding any provisions of Chapter 6, Sections 6-33 to 6-37 inclusive of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, a permanent easement is hereby granted to Constitution Federal Savings and Loan Association over six (6") inches of property known as Luther Street in the City of Stamford for the purpose of re-facing the northerly wall of the building owned by Constitution Federal Savings and Loan Association. Said 6" permanent easement is located on the southerly side of Luther Street and is described as follows:

BEGINNING at the intersection of Atlantic Street and Luther Street and running South 82° 25' 50" East, a total of 106.90 feet.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City of Stamford and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to grant the aforesaid easement.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of its enactment.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 23, 1977

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

- (2) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO COMMEMORATE THE BIRTHDAY OF REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AS A CITY HOLIDAY EVERY JANUARY 15th. Mayor's letter 1/14/77. Held in Steering 1/24/77. In Committee 3/14/77 for further study, and held 4/6/77 for cost figures.

MR. FOX: The committee met with the internal auditor on this. It came to our attention that the cost of the City of any such additional holiday would be approximately \$92,000.00. I think it can report that it was the feeling of the committee that Dr. King was certainly a very great person and is entitled to such an honor, but in light of the fact that there was substantial cost, it was the feeling that we would wait until the end of the budget hearing to see just where the City was going in terms of its taxes. The committee voted 6-0 to HOLD this item.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Personnel concurs.

- (3) PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 332 PROVIDING FOR A TAX ABATEMENT FOR "PILGRIM TOWERS" LOCATED AT WASHINGTON COURT, OWNED BY PILGRIM TOWERS, INC. Held in Committee 3/14 and 4/6/77.

MR. FOX: This is a technical change in the ordinance which would provide that the words "up to 100% of the taxes" would be added to the existing ordinance. This would be to bring it to within the language requirements of the Department of Community Affairs. The committee voted 5-0 to WAIVE PUBLICATION of this ordinance and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED for WAIVER of PUBLICATION. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with 32 members present.

MR. FOX: The committee then voted for FINAL ADOPTION of this ordinance UNANIMOUSLY and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCE NO. 356 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING THE AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCE NO. 332 SUPPLEMENTAL PROVIDING FOR A TAX ABATEMENT FOR "PILGRIM TOWERS" LOCATED AT WASHINGTON COURT, IN THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, WHICH PROPERTY IS OWNED BY PILGRIM TOWERS, INC., AND KNOWN AS "PILGRIM TOWERS".

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 332 Supplemental was previously enacted effective May 20, 1976, granting tax abatement to Pilgrim Towers; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Affairs requires as a matter of form that ordinances and agreements for such tax abatements provide that they be granted "up to" one hundred per cent (100%) of the ad valorem taxes; and

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

ORDINANCE NO. 356 SUPPLEMENTAL (continuing)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT
ORDINANCE NO. 332 IS AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Paragraph 1 of Ordinance No. 332 Supplemental is amended by the addition of the words "up to" before the phrase "one hundred per cent (100%) of the ad valorem taxes. . ."
2. Paragraph 1 of Ordinance No. 332 Supplemental shall now read:
 1. The City of Stamford hereby abates up to one hundred per cent (100%) of the ad valorem taxes applicable to "Pilgrim Towers" located at Washington Court, in the City of Stamford, Connecticut, which property is owned by Pilgrim Towers, Inc., and known as "Pilgrim Towers".
3. This ordinance takes effect upon amendment of the agreement between Pilgrim Towers and the City of Stamford referred to in Ordinance #332 Supplemental.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 23, 1977

- (4) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED FAIR EMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF STAMFORD CONCERNING LABOR STANDARDS AND CONTRACTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR PUBLIC OR PUBLICLY-AIDED CONSTRUCTION. Published 11/22/76. Held in Committee 12/6/76. Held in Steering 12/13/76 and 1/24/77. Held in Committee 3/14/77 and 4/6/77. Corporation Counsel submitted 7-page opinion which Board members had not read.

MR. FOX: The Labor Council did request of the Legislative and Rules Committee additional time to allow him to respond to the rather lengthy decision of the Corporation Counsel. At his request, this item was HELD.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Personnel concurs.

- (5) REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE from Mrs. Joan Jobson, Executive Admin., Fort Stamford Committee, for construction of new Heritage Center building on grounds of Fort Stamford. Held in Committee 4/6/77.

MR. FOX: The committee voted 6-0 to approve the WAIVER of the building permit and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with 32 members present.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

- (6) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL THAT ALL EASEMENTS GRANTED TO THE CITY BE NEGOTIATED AND DRAWN UP BY THE LAW DEPARTMENT in a clear, concise and specific manner. Letter of 2/9/77 from City Rep. Hawe.

MR. FOX: This Board voted at our last meeting for PUBLICATION of that ordinance. It was published, we had a public hearing on it at our meeting of April 27th. The committee voted first of all 6-0 to WAIVE PUBLICATION of this ordinance and I would so MOVE. I'm sorry, that's FINAL ADOPTION of this ordinance.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Fox, is this the same ordinance that was published?

MR. FOX: There has been, I was correct initially, Mr. Miller. We should first MOVE for WAIVER for PUBLICATION. There has been an addition to the ordinance that was originally published. In particular paragraph 3B- has been added to read as follows: "A violation of the terms and conditions of paragraph 3A of this ordinance shall be deemed cause for removal from office or employment with the City including cause for removal, pursuant to Section 740 of the Charter." Therefore, the correct motion would be to move for WAIVER of PUBLICATION of the ordinance. The committee voted 6-0 for WAIVER of PUBLICATION and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The Chair would note for the record that Mr. Baxter and Mr. Walsh have left the meeting. There are now 30 members present. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY with 30 members being present.

MR. FOX: The committee then voted 6-0 for FINAL ADOPTION of this ordinance and I would so MOVE.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED.

MR. PERILLO: No report from Public Works.

MR. MILLER: The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, with 30 members being present.

MR. SIGNORE: I would like to compliment Mrs. Hawe on her pursuing this particular item and getting it into an ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 357 SUPPLEMENTALCONCERNING EASEMENTS AND OTHER LESSER USES OF LAND-PROCEDURE

WHEREAS, it is the findings of the Board of Representatives that the best interests of the City are served when promises for payment or services by the City in exchange for lesser uses of land by the City are reduced to writing prior to the performance thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Law Department of the City of Stamford is the City agency best equipped to conduct the acquisition processes for such uses; and

WHEREAS, the City government would operate in a more business-like and efficient manner by entering into such relationships as above described.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)ORDINANCE NO. 357 SUPPLEMENTAL (continuing)

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

1. For the purposes of this ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:
 - a. "Use of land" shall mean a lesser use of land including an easement, right, license or privilege, profit or profit a prendre but shall not include such greater interest as a lease or purchase as otherwise provided for in the Charter and Code of Ordinances of the City.
 - b. "Payment" shall mean payment in currency or by way of credit against any obligation owed or by way of goods, materials, services, work or improvements, whether public, special or private or the exercise of any local governmental power or color of local authority which benefits another.
2. No promise made by any person for payment by the City in exchange for a use of land of another in relation to any project for public, special or private work or improvement by the City or the satisfaction in whole or in part of any claim alleged against the City shall be binding upon the City unless the complete terms of such promise shall be reduced to writing, contain clear limitations as to the obligation for payment by the City and duly executed by the City and the owner of the land involved or a person authorized by the owner to act on the owner's behalf prior to the City's entrance upon such land for the purposes for which said use is necessary and prior to the performance of any obligation contained in such document.
3.
 - a. No officer, agent or employee of the City shall make, offer, promise, authorize or provide to any person any payment in exchange of a use of land of another by the City or in satisfaction in whole or in part of any claim against the City except in accordance with the terms and conditions of this ordinance, nor shall payment be made except in accordance with the terms and conditions of this ordinance.
 - b. A violation of the terms and conditions of Paragraph 3.a. of this ordinance shall be deemed cause for removal from office or employment with the City, including cause for removal pursuant to Section 740 of the Charter.
4.
 - a. The Law Department of the City shall prepare all documents required by Paragraph 2 of this ordinance and shall supervise the execution thereof.
 - b. The City may maintain any action in law or equity to recover the actual losses to the City from any person who has violated the provisions of this ordinance or received actual value in services or material or benefitted in the enhancement of his property in violation of the provisions of this ordinance or any other law.
5. This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 23, 1977

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. FOX: That concludes the report of the Legislative and Rules Committee. There is one thing which I would like to bring to the attention to the members of the Board. The paper recycling ordinance which we passed several months ago and then amended, provides that it applies to the business community with respect to separation of corrugated material as of July 1st. A few members of the Legislative and Rules Committee have met with representatives of the commercial and industrial sector. If there are members of the Board that want to look into this matter, that have contributions to make with respect to that and with respect to the ordinance, as it will be effective on July 1st, now is the time to do that, now is the time to bring it to our attention. We would be happy to hear what you have to say and to meet with you.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Sandra D. Goldstein

- (1) MEMO dated 4/13/77 from City Rep. Blum re VIOLATION OF SECTION 8-41 of General Statutes re Housing Authority employees and civil service laws.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: The Personnel Committee met on April 26th. Present were Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. Blum, Mr. Wiesley, Mr. Connors, Dr. Lowden, Mrs. Santy, Mr. Osuch and Mrs. Goldstein. Mr. Reed and Mr. Morris of the Board of Education came to speak to us about the new contract between the Board of Education and the Stamford Association. At our next meeting when this is brought out on the floor by Fiscal, we will discuss it. We had a detailed explanation from Mr. Blum, and the committee voted 8-0 to HOLD this item in committee and have a member of the Law Dept. come to our committee next month and speak to us regarding the Law Department's negative opinion concerning the Housing Authority in relation to Civil Service, so next month we will be getting further explanation on this item.

MRS. PERILLO: May I ask Mrs. Goldstein if she got a memo, because I have nothing on this. If you have it, could we have it so we will know what we are voting on, what this pertains to?

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Mrs. Perillo, we are not voting on this item. This is something we discussed in committee and we are keeping it in committee. We are really finding information out about this. We want to see, if indeed, the members of the Housing Authority should be covered under civil service laws. Mr. Blum believes that because of state statutes they should be. The Law Department has given him a negative opinion on this, so we will have somebody from the Law Dept. next month and hope to get it clarified. The Personnel Committee met also on April 27th. Present were Dr. Lowden, Mr. Wiesley, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Blum, Mrs. Ritchie and Mrs. Goldstein and we discussed the legislative items on the agenda. That concludes the report.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - George Baxter

- (1) LETTER OF 11/10/76 from COURTLAND TERRACE ASSN., INC. re moratorium on CONDOMINIUMS and MULTIPLE DWELLING UNITS because of their demands upon City Services.

Also questioning the legality of condominiums under existing Stamford Zoning regulations. Held in Committee 11/22/76. No reports 1/17/77, 2/9/77, 3/14/77, or 4/6/77.

NO REPORT.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE (continued)

- (2) LETTER OF 11/1/76 from COURTLAND TERRACE ASSN., INC. supporting American-Italian Assn. against X-RATED MOVIE HOUSE locating on West Park place. Requests legislation. Held in Committee 11/22/76. No report 1/17, 2/9, 3/14, or 4/6/77.

NO REPORT.

- (3) LETTER TO MR. BAXTER dated 4/5/77 (received 4/11/77) from Paul T. Corballis, Director of Corporate Employee Relations, Pitney Bowes, regarding the RE-NAMING of WALNUT STREET to that of WALTER H. WHEELER, JR.

NO REPORT.

MR. SIGNORE: I would like to ask for a SUSPENSION of the RULES to take up a matter which has been pending for quite a while. It is the acceptance of Madison Place.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED by Mr. Carlucci. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

- (4) ACCEPTANCE OF MADISON PLACE AS AN ACCEPTED CITY STREET. Letter from Mr. William D. Sabia, City Engr.

MR. SIGNORE: Madison Place has been receiving all the services of the City, but somehow or other was never accepted formally by the City. I have a letter addressed to Mr. Baxter, the Chairman, from Mr. William D. Sabia, City Engineer which reads as follows:

"Submitted herewith certified for acceptance as a Public Highway as a following street Madison Place, extending Westerly from Fairfield Avenue approximately 560' to Wilson Street as show on map number 1274 in the Town Clerk's Office."

I would like to have that approved as an accepted City street.

MR. MILLER: SECONDED by Mr. Blum.

MR. BLUM: What benefits by becoming a City-accepted street, as opposed to what was happening all the time?

MR. CARLUCCI: Mr. Signore is correct in saying that they were receiving all the benefits up until this point. The residents would now like, just as a matter of form, to be a City-accepted street.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER: The motion is CARRIED with 30 members present. Mr. Hays has left the meeting. Item #2 was given also to Legislative and Rules.

MR. FOX: We have no report on that.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Alfred Perillo

- (1) LETTER FROM FINANCE BOARD CHAIRMAN PAUL CALLAHAN dated 4/15/77 to DPW COMM. Vincent Rotondo explaining why they have decided not to fund Spring Clean-Up for this year, and suggesting some alternatives.
- (2) LETTER FROM FINANCE BOARD CHAIRMAN PAUL CALLAHAN dated 4/15/77 to DPW COMM. Vincent Rotondo suggesting utilization of "funds that were to have been available for transfer to Spring Clean-Up" to be used to "bridge the deficits existing in Rotondo's salary accounts."

MR. PERILLO: A letter from the Board of Finance reads as follows:

"After careful deliberation and considerable discussion the Board of Finance decided last night not to fund the Spring Clean-Up for this year. While we are most interested in providing this necessary service to the citizens of Stamford, we feel that the financial pressures existing at this time, because of other demands within the City, forces us to seek other possible means of accomplishing this objective at a lower cost. In addition, we thought that we could not ignore the recommendation made by this State Environmental Agency that Stamford should not conduct a Spring Clean-Up at this time, because of the serious haul-away back-log that exists at the present time. Therefore, we urge you to explore other means of collecting household debris, including those two suggested at our meeting last night. Extending the hours at the Hanover Street site to evening and Sundays. The Hanover Street site is open all day Saturday and a half a day Sunday as well. There are monies coming from a Public Works grant too, that the Commissioner hopes he can use for some to extend the hours a little longer at the Hanover St. site".

Item #2, again a letter from the Chairman, Paul Callahan suggesting utilization of funds that would have been available for Spring Clean-up. Again with \$108,000 that we have coming from the Public Works Project II, he anticipates to work out a plan that will utilize some of these funds and summer help to do this operation. That concludes my report.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SIGNORE: Mrs. Santy and I sponsored this ordinance last Fall, and this is very disappointing to us that the Spring clean-up would not come about. However, I spoke to Commissioner Rotondo this morning and he is working on an alternate way of doing it and I hope that something can be done before too long.

MR. PERILLO: The City is now going to court because of Hanover Street; where else are we going?

(3) CESSPOOL SMELL ON THE EASTSIDE AGAIN.

MR. COSTELLO: I would like to move onto the cesspool smell on the Eastside again. Two times this past month the smell has become so bad that the people couldn't eat supper. It's not really a laughing matter anymore; the neighbors say it's so bad they can't stay in their backyard. I don't know what the answer is down there, but there must be some solution. I would ask Mr. Perillo to put it in his committee again and see if he can't come up with some answers.

MR. LOBOZZA: To Mr. Costello, we have come up with a lot of answers, the only problem is that they're not the same ones all the time. We are trying to sift the truth from non-truths, and we will help you when we can.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - David I. Blum

MR. BLUM: The Health and Protection Committee met Wednesday April 27th. Present were John Zelinski, John Sandor, Thomas D'Agostino and Chairman Blum. Absent were Kurt Zimble and William Flanagan.

- (1) MAYOR CLAPES' LETTER 1/14/77 ENCLOSING NICHOLAS TARZIA'S LETTER OF 1/10/77 OF CITIZENS ACTION LOBBY asking for creation of a local consumer protection agency. Held in Committee 2/9/77 and in Steering 2/14/77. Report made 4/6/77. Mr. Blum said he will hold a public hearing on this matter.

MR. BLUM: The main theme was the abuses of the utility companies; in particular, water, gas and electricity to the consumer as to the water conditions and the billing from the Gas & Electric Company. The question was asked does the bureau of weights and measurements inspect the water, gas and electric meters the same as scales and gasoline meters. Committee voted to continue further into the public hearing.

- (2) LETTER FROM CITY REPS. McINERNEY AND WIDER REGARDING SECURITY AT THE STAMFORD RAILROAD STATION due to removal of 2 patrolmen. Report made by Mr. Blum and he will hold a public hearing on this.

MR. BLUM: The committee is making progress, as we are lining up those responsible for the security of the railroad station, namely, Transportation Plaza, the ConRail, the Parking Authority, the Stamford Police Department; and also the Connecticut Department on Transportation also comes into this.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE (continued)

- (3) LETTER 4/6/77 from DR. RALPH GOFSTEIN TO BOARD OF FINANCE enclosing a raft of material re fee schedules for Health Dept., permit, ordinances, etc. Sent to this Board at suggestion of Board of Finance.

MR. BLUM: The committee voted UNANIMOUSLY to HOLD IN COMMITTEE and to wait Dr. Gofstein's explanation of these schedules. He did not appear that night.

- (4) THE MATTER OF HAIG AVENUE AND THE CONTINUED DUMPING THERE OF GARBAGE, TRASH, ETC. - brought up by City Rep. T. D'Agostino.

Report made by Mr. Blum. Held in Committee.

- (5) HANDY DIXON SAID HIS DISTRICT #2 IS BEING HARRASSED BY TRUCKING OUTFITS AND NOISE, ETC. Letter and petition from residents of Vassar Avenue against Stanley and John Zabroski of United Banana. This item to go on next Steering Agenda.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - John Sandor

- (1) THE MATTER OF BEACH STICKERS. Held in Committee 4/6/77 for action in May. LETTER FROM WM. B. SHECK, CHMN. PARK COMMISSION correcting previous fees sent us for PARKING STICKERS, that Senior Citizen Resident/and/or Taxpayer shall not be charged.

MR. SANDOR: The Park Commission voted to retain the current fee system for parking stickers and the ballfields at the Cummings and Scalzi Parks. Following is the current schedule of fees: Parking stickers - resident or taxpayer, \$1.00, Summer resident, \$5.00, Non-resident for parking in sports areas only, \$1.00. There was some question about senior citizens not having to pay for the sticker, they don't have to pay, they get it free. This is in regards to Cummings Park lighting fees for football is \$10.00 per game, for softball it is \$7.00. Now at Scalzi Park the lighting fees are softball \$7.50 per game, tennis prior to 6:00 P.M. is a \$1.00 per court and from 6 to 10 P.M. it's \$2.00 per court, basketball is \$2.00 per game and bocci is \$2.00 per game. The commission has tabled for further study picnic fees for Chestnut Hill Park and Rosa Hartman Park. Recommended fees for these areas will be submitted at a later date.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Sandor has completed reading a list of fees and we are about to vote approval. Is there any discussion?

MRS. PERILLO: I am voting against charging the taxpayers of this City \$1.00 for the beach stickers. The more they pay tax, the less they are getting.

MR. BLOIS: I think Mr. Sandor read the non-resident ball sticker \$1.00. I don't think....it's not a non-resident, I think it's the ballplayers themselves that come from out-of-town.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. PERILLO (continuing) For the same beach permit, I have an ordinance before me that was approved on May 5, 1958, which says persons may drive through a park without stickers. Stickers are required only for use of parking stalls. If you have to pay a dollar to go and sit on the beach, keep it.

MR. ZELINSKI: Last month at our Board meeting this exact same question came up regarding the beach stickers, and I am in agreement regarding this motion.

MR. LIVINGSTON: Through you, Mr. President, I would like to ask Mr. Dixon how will we handle other people who are residents of this City, but are not necessarily taxpayers? I would hope, Mr. President, before we make a hasty decision that we send this back to committee and work it out in detail exactly what this Board wants to happen.

MR. WIDER: I certainly agree with Mr. Dixon's motion, especially as a boat owner. We are being triple taxed to go down there and we are not really concerned about this tax is the fact that we have a lot of people who can least afford some of these taxes, who do have a number of kids and they would like to use the beaches. I would feel this should go in the committee to work out and do the mechanics work on it so that we will be able to come up with a good recommendation for all the people in the City of Stamford, including the rent payers.

MR. MILLER: We have a motion on the floor made by Mr. Dixon until he withdraws it. If that motion fails, we will proceed to accept another motion.

MR. BLUM: I would like to change that language to read - I know everyone had his say on that, but there are many senior citizens or tenants who might pay a personal property tax. Why don't we change the language to "residents" of the City of Stamford? I would like to make an amendment to change instead of "taxpayers" of the City of Stamford, "residents" of the City of Stamford.

MR. DIXON: I am concerned about the taxpayers in this particular matter and when I say taxpayers, I am talking about real estate owners, and taxpayers who pay taxes on personal property. I am not trying to eliminate the sticker fee altogether, I just don't believe it's fair to the taxpayers to have to pay these extra fees, for me it's double taxation and that's the extent of it.

MR. MILLER: We will vote on Mr. Dixon's proposal. If Mr. Blum wants to make another proposal later, if that goes down, that would be in order. Of course, part of Mr. Dixon's motion is that stickers be sent out with the tax bills, and of course, tax bills are sent only to taxpayers, not to all residents of the City of Stamford.

MR. COSTELLO: I was also concerned about our elderly citizens, and I believe that the renters do pay taxes, they pay their landlords' taxes and they should all be included in it.

MRS. McINERNEY: I can't believe it. Before we vote on any kind of legislation to do away with any kind of parking permits, I think we should at least research and find out what the exact number, or amount of revenues is generated from the beach park stickers.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. BLOIS (continuing) I think you should stipulate that. Say just for the ballplayers, this is the way we had it in the past, and I think you should continue with it, because they all register prior to the season. The coaches come in with the sticker money. I would also question the fee for softball at \$7.50. Can you explain that in detail? The night softball.

MR. SANDOR: These are the fees that are at present. They haven't changed them, and they are not increasing them.

MR. BLOIS: I think that \$7.50 is a lot of money for a softball game that takes about forty-five minutes. You sure you are reading that right?

MR. SANDOR: It says here Cummings Park lighting fees, football \$10.00 per game and softball is \$7.50 per game, and these fees are in effect at present time, we are just passing them for the next year.

MR. DIXON: I would like clarification on a couple of things. If Mr. Sandor can provide such. I have been given to believe that the fees, the stickers are not for the purpose of making money by the City. It is a means set up to protect the Stamford resident and the parks and beaches against non-residents in the City. Now, I would want to know from Mr. Sandor, if that is true and I would also like to know just how much the City takes in for stickers on an annual basis.

MR. SANDOR: I do not have those figures, but the money is used for motor patrols to patrol the parks.

MR. DIXON: I have always been opposed to taxpayers having to pay to buy stickers to go to the various parks and beaches that the taxpayers built in the first place. It seems to me that after having built the beaches and parks out of taxpayers' money, the taxpayers ought to be able to use these facilities without paying any additional fees. I would like to see this matter amended or something done to it to the effect that taxpayers will not have to pay for a sticker. I would make a motion that all taxpayers in the City of Stamford be exempt from paying a sticker fee, and that this sticker be mailed to the taxpayer with his tax bill free-of-charge.

MR. MILLER: There has been a motion made by Mr. Dixon, and it was seconded by Mrs. Perillo. I assume Mrs. Perillo is seconding the entire motion, because the motion involves not only free access, but also the matter of sending the sticker in the mail with the tax bill. We are going to confine our discussion to that motion which is in the form of an amendment to Mr. Sandor's motion. Mr. Sandor's motion on behalf of the committee was for the entire list of fees under item #1 Parks and Recreation. Mr. Dixon's motion, seconded by Mrs. Perillo, is in the nature of an amendment for that motion. We will confine discussion to that proposed amendment.

MR. PERILLO: I, too, am against that dollar permit, because as a taxpayer I don't see why we have to pay a dollar to get into the beaches when out-of-towners come in for free. We are federally-funded for these beaches and no one can stop anybody, it's another taxation on taxation.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. MCINERNEY: I would say that before we just give out free parking tickets, we better know what we are talking about. I'm sorry, not free parking tickets, maybe that's what we need in this town. I think we had better do a little more research and I would like to have it returned to committee. If I could, I would like to make a motion to that effect.

MR. MILLER: No, that motion would not be in order. We're voting on Mr. Dixon's proposed amendment and I think we better get to that and vote that up or down.

MRS. PERILLO: POINT OF INFORMATION. I believe that we should take action on this tonight, because they are selling or starting to sell the beach stickers now.

MRS. MCINERNEY: POINT OF ORDER. That goes to show why putting back into committee is not tabling, because tabling would take precedence over any other motion.

MR. LOBOZZA: Whether this goes back into committee or not, I think what maybe the Park Committee should think about is, we could solve a lot of our problems if we just had a \$25.00 sticker for out-of-towners and settle it with that.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: Through you, Mr. President, I would like to ask Mr. Dixon if he would withdraw his motion and ask that it be put back into committee.

MR. MILLER: Well, it is up to him whether he wants to withdraw the motion or not, but he can't withdraw it and put it back into committee at the same time.

MR. DIXON: I would like to see the right thing done, and if this motion ever is passed I would like for most people to be satisfied with it for the sake of those who are deeply concerned about this tonight. I would withdraw the motion in the hopes that we can get it before the Board again next month.

MR. MILLER: The motion is withdrawn. Does the seconder agree to that? Now a motion would be in order to put this matter back in committee. How that's going to work out in practice I don't know, I would think that by the time of the June meeting, quite a few of the stickers would have been sold.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: I would like to make a motion that we put that back in committee with Mr. Dixon's recommendation.

MR. MILLER: Put back into committee, that means the Board won't be able to go to it again until early in June.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: We are talking about next year, Mr. President. It's too late now.

MR. MILLER: We're approving fees for this year, 1977. So if you are putting something back into committee, you are putting it back into committee until June. We are talking about the beach season for 1977. We have had a motion made by Mr. Dixon. That motion has been withdrawn.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER (continuing) There is a motion to put it back into committee, that means you are putting it back into committee and you are not acting on fees for stickers for 1977. Is there a motion to that effect to put it back into committee? Mr. D'Agostino made the motion, is there a second to that motion? We are now debating whether or not to put this one matter, the stickers, back into committee.

MR. BLOIS: I think before you make a motion to this effect, you better analyze the problems before you. I believe it's too late to put this in effect for this year, because some of the parking stickers are probably being sold at the present time. Now, if you want to put this back into committee, we can act on it for next year, which I have no objections to, but if you are going to stay here after midnight for the sake of talking for something next year, I think we are being a little ridiculous. I think we should get down to the order of business and either vote it back in the committee or approve the fees.

MR. SANDOR: I am a little puzzled because we have a number of items here. Now, are we just voting on the resident and/or taxpayer item which is \$1.00? It could be sent out with the tax bill, but we won't be getting them until July. What do we do in the meantime? I think what we are going to have to do is pass it the way it is and then next year.....

MR. MILLER: We have a motion to put it back into committee, and until Mr. D'Agostino withdraws that motion, we will have to address ourselves to that.

MR. SANDOR: Is that just for that first item, the \$1.00?

MR. MILLER: Yes. Would you restate the motion please, Mr. D'Agostino.

MR. D'AGOSTINO: I would like to have it put back into committee for further study next year.

MR. MILLER: The MOTION has been WITHDRAWN. The only matter presently before the Board is the original motion made by Mr. Sandor which is for approval of the entire list of fees which he read. MOTION MOVED and SECONDED. We will now take discussion on that motion.

MR. DIXON: I am afraid I have been misled. I withdrew my motion thinking that, with the intent of this thing being put back in committee, in that sense I was misled. I would at this point make the same motion again. The motion is that all taxpayers of the City of Stamford be exempted from paying the beach sticker fee of \$1.00.

MR. MILLER: MOTION MOVED, and SECONDED by Mrs. Perillo.

MR. BLUM: I would like the language of "taxpayers" taken out and "citizens" put in, because there are many people who live in apartment houses who pay rent and if you want to call them taxpayers, they are taxpayers. They pay their share of the taxes, but I am sure Mr. Dixon is not thinking of the tenants in apartment houses.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. BLUM: (continuing) He is thinking of the so-called taxpayers that pay a property tax; therefore, I would like to make an amendment to that motion that it be the "citizens" of Stamford.

MR. MILLER: We are now dealing with "citizens", not taxpayers.

MR. SANDOR: Only the taxpayers would be needing the stickers, because if you own a car you are going to have to park it and you are going to be paying tax on the car. The residents can walk in anytime. There is no parking sticker for anybody to walk in. So if you own a car you are going to be getting a tax bill for July for your car, so they could easily take it and put it in the mail, just like they mail the tax bill. Now we could probably pass it with the dollar now, but next year that they be mailed free with the tax bill, that would be in January which would be plenty of time for 1978, if we could add that amendment to it.

MR. MILLER: We've got a motion that deals with 1977, now if we are talking about 1978, we don't have to be here at 12:15 talking about what's going to happen in 1978.

MR. SANDOR: The only reason that I bring it up now, because it will come around about the same time next year, and the same thing will happen and we won't be able to have it mailed with the tax bill, so I think if we could put an amendment to it so that come January, this free sticker would be mailed to every taxpayer.

MR. MILLER: I think that is another matter. If we could get this one motion out of the way we could take that up in the future, so we will proceed. Motion MOVED and SECONDED. The motion is CARRIED. We will proceed to a vote on Mr. Dixon's motion.

MR. DIXON: The motion as amended is that all residents of the City of Stamford be exempted from paying beach sticker fees.

MR. MILLER: We are voting for that proposed amendment. Necessary for approval a majority of those present and voting.

MR. ZELINSKI: POINT OF INFORMATION. Is this for 1977?

MR. MILLER: Yes.

MR. BLOIS: Suppose the Park Department sold 2,000, 15,000 of these stickers already in 1977?

MR. MILLER: I don't know.

MR. SANDOR: Yes, I am puzzled, because the next item down here, it says summer resident - \$5.00. What happens to that if you say "residents"? Now is that going to be free, too?

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. MILLER: We are going to vote on Mr. Dixon's motion. The MOTION is LOST. 7 YES, 12 NO votes (A.Perillo, M.Ritchie, W.Flanagan, S. Goldstein, T.D'Agostino, G.Rybnick, B.McInerney, J.Blois, J.Zelinski, D. Blum, J.Sandor, F.Miller, Jr.) 3 ABSTENTIONS. We will take a DIVISION. Will the clerk determine whether there is a quorum.

ROLL CALL

MR. MILLER: We are now voting on item #1 under Parks and Recreation. The MOTION is CARRIED, but we will have to take a DIVISION using the machine. The MOTION is CARRIED, 12 YES, 9 NO votes (M.Perillo, H.Dixon, A.Perillo, L. Wider, J.DeRose, J. Livingston, J. Zelinski, R. Costello, D. Blum) the remainder ABSTENTION.

- (2) LETTER FROM SUPT. GIORDANO of 4/15/77 RE FEES, CHANGES AND/OR ADDITIONS on Theatre, Men's and Women's Softball, Boating, Cubeta Stadium.

MR. SANDOR: I have a letter from Supt. Giordano which reads as follows:

"The Board of Recreation would appreciate approval of the attached fee schedule this month for the following reasons: 1) theater fees, income loss would be substantial unless implemented immediately. Items 2 and 3, men's and women's softball funds are not available to run a safe sane softball program unless adequate supervision is provided to increase fees. Close to 3,000 adults will be affected by this one program alone. The legality of increase fees can be challenged after May 3rd. Item 4, boating, this program is new for paddle boating and rates are standard. There should be no additional cost for personnel is already on staff. Item 5, Cubeta Stadium, a minor change is requested which will assist youth programs which are hard-put for funds. These funds provide taxpayers with free entertainment and are considered a bargain. Estimated cost for the City is about \$500.00 a year. Your immediate action would be most appreciated. We also wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your co-operation throughout the year".

MR. MILLER: Motion MOVED and SECONDED. The question is on approval of the.....

MR. SANDOR: The new fees for Ethel Kveskin and Sterling Farms Theater - adults on Thursday \$3.00, on Friday \$4.00 and Saturday also. Students on Thursday - \$1.50, on Friday and Saturday \$2.00. Now for Musicals for adults - \$5.00, and for students on weekdays is \$2.50, but on Friday and Saturday it's \$5.00. Group rates are 25% during the weekdays only.

MR. ZELINSKI: Just one question, through you to Mr. Sandor. In all the commotion, getting back to the beach stickers, I think we approved the original motion somewhere a fee for tennis at Scalzi Park, \$1.00, was that correct going back to the original number one item?

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SANDOR: Item 2, this is Industrial Softball League for women. It's been changed from \$77.00 per team adjusted cost and now it's going to be \$122.00 per team plus or minus adjusted cost. Item 3, this is Industrial Softball League for the men. The present fee is \$174.00 per team plus or minus the adjusted cost, now it will be \$202.00 per team plus or minus adjusted cost. Now in voting this is new so there were no fees last year. Now the adults will be \$1.00 for a half an hour, student will be 50¢, families will be \$3.00 no more than four persons for a half hour. Now in Cubeta Stadium the baseball diamond with or without lights was \$10.00 per game. Now he's got a waiver for all City recreation league programs 18 years and under. I guess they were paying \$10.00 prior to that. Of course the other, \$50.00 per game for non-city recreational sponsored same, plus staff costs for personnel, and then we have another item, City sponsored men's teams \$10.00 per game with or without lights. That's going to remain the same as last year.

MR. MILLER: Motion MOVED and SECONDED.

MR. BLUM: I would like to talk about the fees on the Industrial Leagues. It's gone from \$174.00 to \$200.00; at one time the Railroad had an industrial league and one of the reasons why we got out was because of the fees. Some of the industrial teams of the smaller plants, the men themselves sort of get together and pay for the fees. Now I don't know whether they are going to try and drive other teams out of this. I have an objection to this. After all, if you are going to have a softball team and you want participation from other industrial teams, you don't look to increase the fees from \$174 to \$200, that's about a fifty dollar increase and besides some of these have to pay for the lights sometimes and the umpires. Somebody ought to study these raises, otherwise you are not going to have the participation. Little by little these smaller teams get out of the leagues.

MR. BLOIS: Not to get into any long discussions on baseball, but the industrial leagues should pay their own way. And may I remind the Board that every dollar that they pay goes towards their own expenses. This does not go back to the general fund. This is to prove self-sustaining causes and I would hope that you people wouldn't have any long discussion on grown people who are working. I think it cost them the whole total of about fifty cents per man to play for a full season. I don't think it's a lot of money.

MR. SCHLECHTWEG: I would like to MOVE the question.

MR. MILLER: MOVED and SECONDED. The MOTION is CARRIED. We will proceed to a vote on Mr. Sandor's motion. The MOTION is CARRIED.

- (3) LETTER OF APRIL 6, 1977 FROM PARK SUPT. COOK TO NORWALK COMMUNITY COLLEGE (received by Bd. of Reps. office 4/14/77) outlining conditions under which Archaeology students may continue to use the Levine/Finch property for digging.

MR. SANDOR: This is being HELD pending a report from the Park Commission. They want to take and investigate this, so we're HOLDING this into committee until next week. That concludes my report.

NOTE: Item # 4 was taken up after Fiscal- Under Suspension of the Rules.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Vere Wiesley

NO REPORT.

SEWER COMMITTEE - Thomas D'Agostino

NO REPORT.

PUBLIC HOUSING AND GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE - Jeremiah Livingston

MR. LIVINGSTON: We had a letter that was in our committee. The committee discussed that letter, and it was recommended that it be turned over to Steering and perhaps Steering will direct it to Legislative and Rules Committee.

MR. MILLER: Would you please make certain that Mrs. McEvoy knows which letter you mean.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Robert Costello

MR. COSTELLO: First off, let me say that I think that Urban Renewal, the scope of the project that it is, I think it's a shame that we have to meet, it is going on 1 o'clock in the morning. Most of the Board members have gone home already and I imagine most of the working people in the City are in bed and long asleep for many hours already. The Urban Renewal Committee met on April 8, 14, 27th. Also many members have been attending the Commission meeting. On Good Friday, April 8th, the Urban Renewal Committee met with Mr. Jim Hibben, Director of Urban Renewal, and Dennis Leonard, who was employed by the F.D. Rich Corp.

The purpose of this meeting was to see a model of the 4,000 car parking garage and discuss Veterans Park. Present at this meeting were Mr. Schlechtweg, Mrs. Perillo, Mr. Flanagan and myself. First let's discuss the Veterans Park. Mr. President, I am very happy to announce the Veterans Park has been put out for bids. On May 26th the Urban Renewal Commission will open bids and select a company to do the project. Mr. Tony Pia, who was still collecting money for the Veterans Memorial, will be happy to hear that construction will begin sometime in June.

The parking garage will hold 4,000 cars and will be some nine stories high. The main purpose of the parking garage will be to serve the customers of the department stores coming to downtown area. What makes this garage rather unique and so different from the other garages in the City, is that it will have some 100 small stores located in the center of the garage and one of the benefits of this is that you will always have people traffic and the garage will be patrolled by people hired by F.D. Rich Corp., who will maintain the stores and rent them out. I think that's an excellent idea. Also considering the department stores and the garage we will be talking about some 3,000 jobs for the residents of the City. There will be some two million dollars in City taxes and some estimated six to seven million dollars in the State sales tax. I am very much in favor of this project and I hope it starts very soon.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. SIGNORE: I have a question for Mr. Costello. I have an Advocate article of April 20th of a public hearing, local merchants speaking to the Parking Authority, and it said the Urban Redevelopment Commission suggested that the Authority look into the possibility of closing the Bell Street garage for six months or a year until demand increases. I would like to know if Mr. Costello has any comments on that particular item.

MR. COSTELLO: I read the article. I didn't want to bring it up myself, but it would seem like rather sour grapes, after I was the one who had the 1,200 signatures in opposition to the Bell Street garage. If I had a choice, I would put the Bell Street garage on rollers and roll it down to the railroad station where it belongs. At a Commission meeting when this was brought up, I think Bob was at another meeting here, Edie Sherman said that she made that remark facetiously, and it was picked up as being something that was a real suggestion.

Really, the question came whether or not the Bell Street garage was self-supporting and apparently, if you throw in all the overhead the Parking Authority doesn't know what else to do with it and put it on the Bell Street garage, you can make a case for a deficit. The Bell Street garage is not contributing to the deficit or not contributing to the Parking Authority and the remark made by the Chairman of the Commission was not meant to be taken seriously, however it was.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Lynn M. Lowden

- (1) LETTER dated 4/15/77 FROM JOSEPH L. IGNAZIO, CHIEF, PLANNING DIV., DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, New England Division, Corps of Engineers, Waltham, Mass., advising they have finalized an A/E contract the Research Corp. of New England (TRC), Wethersfield, Conn., to prepare environmental reports on six navigational projects, which include Westcott Cove, etc.

DR. LOWDEN: Anybody is concerned from the Westcott Cove area fine, but we can't act on this and we would hear any professional opinions for quite awhile, while they are preparing those reports. We have nothing done to report on tonight really.

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick

- (1) THE MATTER OF ALTERATIONS TO THE VOTING MACHINE IN ORDER TO RECORD VOTES AUTOMATICALLY. Thomsen's Audio has submitted a design and proposal of \$4,400.00 to make alterations and additions to the present system which he designed and installed originally. Held in Committee 2/9/77. Leadership and House Committee met on 4/11/77.

MR. RYBNICK: The House Committee members Peter Walsh, Leo Carlucci, Mrs. Ritchie, James Loboza, and Jerry Rybnick has voted to ask your permission to modify our voting machine with an electric typewriter at the cost of \$4,400.00.

HOUSE COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. RYBNICK (continuing) On the desk of every member there should be a letter and a description of the working order and tabulation of votes. All members will vote as they did in the past, up for yes, down for no. The lamps will light up as before, and the typewriter will multiply as illustrated on the back back page - illustration SK 3. The House Committee voted 5-0 to ask for a waiver as to the purchase of this electronic system without going out to bid, so we can still have Mr. Thomsen continue to work and modify our voting machine. I ask for your support. This, I believe will cover the freedom of information law, and I so MOVE. The seating arrangements will be the same, everything will be the same. There is no change of anything. The only thing that will be changed will be two boxes added to the wall.

MR. MILLER: I think we are ready to proceed to a vote. The MOTION is CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE COMMITTEE - John Schlechtweg, II

NO REPORT.

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - Christine Nizolek

- (1) THE MATTER OF AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS AND THEIR POLICE POWERS. Letter from Frank L. Hajdu, Director of Stamford Emergency Service to Corp. Counsel Wise dated 4/14/77, and enclosures.

MR. MILLER: The matter will be handled tomorrow night.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR - NONE.PETITIONS- NONE,RESOLUTIONS:

- (1) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY CITY REP. BLUM RE SHELTER HOUSING

MR. BLUM: I would like to propose this resolution, it's a boarding legislation for shelter housing for.....

MR. MILLER: I'm sorry Mr. Blum, but I don't think we have 21 people here anymore; in fact, I know we don't. I am going to conclude the meeting by reading into the records three letters.

MR. BLUM: When can I propose this resolution?

MR. MILLER: Put it on the Steering Committee, the Administrative Assistant is directed to put it on the tentative agenda for the Steering Committee.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS

MR. MILLER read three letters, one from Mr. Ronald A. Weber dated April 29, 1977. The second one from Mrs. Betty Conti, President of Courtland Terrace Assoc., Inc., dated April 29, 1977. And the third letter from Tom Serrani, State Representative, dated April 27, 1977. All members received copies of these letters.

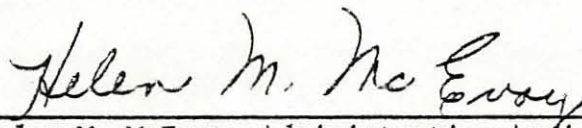
MR. RYBNICK: I MOVE they be accepted and filed.

MR. MILLER: They will be filed.

OLD BUSINESS - NONE.

NEW BUSINESS - NONE.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Miller declared the meeting ADJOURNED at 12:45.


Helen M. McEvoy, Administrative Assistant
and Recording Secretary

APPROVED:



Frederick E. Miller, Jr., President
14th Board of Representatives

Note: Above meeting was broadcast in its
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