

MINUTES OF MONDAY, MARCH 3, 1980 REGULAR MEETING

16th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 16th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, March 3, 1980, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Municipal Office Building, Second Floor, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 P.M. by the President, Sandra Goldstein, after both parties had met in caucus.

INVOCATION: Pastor Ron Blanchard, Christian and Missionary Alliance Church of Stamford, 770 West Hill Road, Stamford, Conn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by the President, Sandra Goldstein.

ROLL CALL: Clerk of the Board Annie Summerville called the Roll. There were 35 present and 5 absent. The absent members were:

Doris Bowlby	Gerald Rybnick
Handy Dixon	Marie Hawe
A. C. Perillo	

The CHAIR declared a QUORUM.

PAGES: Were not in attendance.

MRS. MAIHOCK announced a new constituent in the First District, a son, Brian Arthur born to Board Member Marie Hawe on March 2, 1980; and on behalf of the Board, sent the Board's very best wishes to Marie and her family.

CHECK OF THE VOTING MACHINE:

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a check of the machine, found there were a few problems, and asked the members to please exercise vigilance in checking their own particular number and that the lights register properly. She said if it became necessary, they would vote by a Show of Hands or by Roll Call.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN reminded the members of the Board and the large number of people who are in the gallery this evening, that SMOKING is NOT permitted on the floor of the Board.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY "ON-SITE CONVERSION OF CITY GARBAGE"

MRS. GOLDSTEIN announced the formation of this Committee: Chairman Fiorenzo Corbo; members Betty Conti, Grace Guroian, and David Blum. She thanked these members for volunteering to do this work.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED to Waive the Reading of the Steering Committee Report.
Seconded. Carried.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

A meeting of the STEERING COMMITTEE was held on Thursday, February 19, 1980, in the Democratic Caucus Room, Second Floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut. The meeting was called for 7:30, and began at 7:37 P.M. when a Quorum was present. Chairwoman Sandra Goldstein called the meeting to order.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING

Sandra Goldstein	Ralph Loomis (8:20)
John J. Boccuzzi	Fiorenzo Corbo (8:05)
Annie M. Summerville	Donald Donahue
Handy Dixon	John J. Hogan, Jr.
Paul Esposito	Philip Stork
John Zelinski (8:00)	Media
David Blum (7:42)	Eileen Berets, LWV
Alfred Perillo (8:05)	1 unidentified lady
Michael Wiederlight	Stanley Darer
Richard Fasanelli	
Lathon Wider, Sr.	
Jeanne-Lois Santy (7:45)	
Robert "Gabe" DeLuca	
Robert Fauteux	

(1) APPOINTMENTS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were the four names appearing on the Tentative Agenda. Also ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, under Suspension of Rules due to late submission by the Mayor, were the names of DIANE RAYMOND and MARY PAT BAXTER for appointment to the TRANSIT DISTRICT. ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE were the names of ROBERT K. JONES, LOUIS J. CASALE, and JOSEPH RINALDI for the SEWER COMMISSION, also late submissions.

(2) FISCAL MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were the nineteen items appearing on the Tentative Agenda. Also ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the proposed resolution for the Stamford Day Care Program budget.

(3) LEGISLATIVE AND RULES MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were (a) Publication of proposed ordinance re excavation, filling and grading; (b) Publication of proposed ordinance re private garbage collectors; (c) Publication of proposed ordinance re moratorium on condominium conversions; (d) Publication of proposed ordinance re Greenwich Land Trust tax abatement; (e) Proposed ordinance to appoint three Alternates to the Board of Finance (publication); (f) Publication of proposed ordinance for right-of-way easement for Chapins on Old Long Ridge Road; (g) Publication of proposed ordinance for tax abatement for Nature Conservancy;

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(3) LEGISLATIVE AND RULES MATTERS (continued)

- (h) Final adoption of proposed ordinance for tax abatement for Girl Scouts;
- (i) Final adoption of proposed ordinance re Connecticut Newspaper property.

ORDERED HELD IN COMMITTEE and off the present agenda were: (i) Publication of proposed ordinance exempting Housing Authority from dumping fees; (ii) Final adoption of proposed ordinance abating sewer assessment charges on residence purchased by Salvation Army; (iii) Proposed resolution for fees for legal notices, etc. for tax abatements, etc.; (iv) Proposed resolution to appoint Charter Revision committee/commission; (v) Publication of proposed ordinance restricting commercial vehicle parking; (vi) Publication of proposed ordinance from F. Corbo re deed restrictions being observed; (vii) Publication of proposed ordinance to limit terms of appointed office holders; (viii) Publication of proposed ordinance for tax abatement for Stamford Museum and Nature Center acreage (12.7 A.) of which ownership is to be transferred to City later; (ix) Publication of proposed ordinance re tax abatement for Drug Liberation; (x) Publication of proposed ordinance re tax abatement for Bais Binyomin Academy properties; (xi) Ordinance requested for swing-out arms for mobile vendors; (xii) Requested refund and waiver of building permit fee for construction at Easter Seal Rehab Center; (xiii) Request for appointment of Building Review Commission; (xiv) Matter of "Citation" method for handling roaming dogs.

Ordered moved to Personnel Committee for next month the matter of amending a 1976 resolution for Health Department employees re Medicare coverage.

(4) PERSONNEL MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the proposed ordinance from Rep. Corbo re City employees rendering professional services in competition with private parties. ORDERED HELD was Rep. Corbo's request re Personnel practices re employees in "acting" capacities, etc.; also mention of a letter from Dr. Gofstein.

(5) PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were the two items for final adoption of proposed ordinances re sale of City-owned property and abandonment of Pleasant St. ORDERED HELD for the May meeting by Rep. Guglielmo was the acceptance of Wishing Well Lane as a City Street.

(6) PUBLIC WORKS MATTERS

Removed from the Agenda was the item of Mr. Corbo's request re feasibility of reverting jurisdiction of maintenance of buildings and playgrounds from Board of Education back to City's Bldgs. & Grounds Dept. Ordered off the Agenda was request for Special Study Group re on-site conversion of City Garbage. (Mrs. Goldstein named such a committee) Ordered Held for a later unspecified time was Bethany Assembly's request to purchase Martha Hoyt School.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(7) HEALTH AND PROTECTION MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were the first three items appearing on the Tentative Agenda. Ordered removed from the agenda were the other two items: State Rep. Truglia's letter re converting Willard School into a nursing home; and Reps. Stork and Santy's request that the no smoking law be fully enforced at all times without exception.

(8) PARKS AND RECREATION MATTERS

One item was Ordered Held in Committee, being publication of proposed ordinance dissolving Sterling Farms Golf Authority and forming one or two commissions. The other three items on the Tentative Agenda were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA. Also Ordered on the Agenda was the report on Chestnut Hill Park.

(9) PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the budget for sixth year funding of Community Dev.

(10) URBAN RENEWAL MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the matter of Proposed Changes to Parcels 8 and 9.

(11) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION MATTERS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was item on Flood Prone Regulations, etc.

(12) COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Ordered off the Agenda was Mayor Clapes' letter re Re-Districting.

(13) RESOLUTIONS

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the Resolution from Rep. Hogan re declaring April 1st as U. S. Census Day in Stamford. Also Ordered on the Agenda was Rep. McInerney's resolution regarding 911 Emergency Telephone System.

(14) OLD BUSINESS

Ordered Held was the item of Rep. Stork's for opinion from Corporation Counsel re impeachment of elected official.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the STEERING COMMITTEE, on MOTION duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was ADJOURNED at 9:10 P.M., with most members leaving by 9:25 P.M.

HMM:MS

SANDRA GOLDSTEIN, Chairwoman
Steering Committee

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES

MRS. MCINERNEY requested a SUSPENSION OF RULES to take up at this time an item appearing on Page 11 of the Agenda: Item #2 under RESOLUTIONS, concerning the 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM. Seconded.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote, and the Motion was APPROVED unanimously.

RESOLUTIONS

- (2) PROPOSED RESOLUTION THAT THE MAYOR MAKE NO COMMITMENT REGARDING 911 EMERGENCY SYSTEM UNTIL TOTAL COST PACKAGE AND INFORMATION HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED TO AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE AND THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES. Submitted by City Rep. Barbara McInerney 2/19/80.

MR. POLLARD said he attended the 911 Meeting along with several other Board members and they were shocked at the lack of information that Mr. Montgomery had. He said it revealed a very shallow study and he suggested considerable more credence be given to the in-puT from the Big Five Volunteers. He supports the Resolution.

MR. DZIEZYC said the Big Five Volunteers are not against the concept of 911 as indicated by the six statements they made. They are against the type of committee which the Mayor has selected, and that the committee did not do a proper investigation of 911.

MR. DZIEZYC said the investigation should have found the following: (1) What is the cost of operating 911? (2) How would it work better than the old system which works very well for the volunteers? (3) Is the eleven-year-old 911 system the only one available? (4) When will a more modern and better functional system be available? (5) How will it effect mutual aid and the volunteer section in the adjacent towns? (6) Not everybody who has 911 is satisfied with the operation of same. Why? (7) Why is Mayor Clapes in such a big rush for the system?

These were some of the questions which were not answered at the meeting with Mr. Montgomery. They feel that a non-biased committee should be formed consisting of equal representation from the City and the Big Five, with possibly a member from the Board of Representatives and Finance. The Volunteer Fire Departments save the taxpayers approximately \$10 Million a year. They perform a very valuable function for the areas not covered by the paid fire department. The Volunteers are dedicated to protect our homes from fires, floods and other disasters. They spend many hours, especially during the night and on weekends and holidays, when they hear those bells ringing and they jump out in all hours of the night, every time, to protect our areas, and we should support their Resolution.

RESOLUTION RE 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM (continued)

MRS. MAIHOCK: We, of the 19th District, are very pleased with our service from the Long Ridge Fire Company, and their very fast response time to our calls. I do not feel from the information I received at a hearing at the Turn-of-River HQ on Feb. 14, 1980, that we can be assured of response time as fast from 911 service as we do have now, due to the necessity of having a dispatcher at Police HQ evaluate the call, determine where it shall go and then call the Volunteer Fire Department for action.

Furthermore, I question the ability of 911 to handle our city's calls under City emergency conditions. It has 17 trunks only. Centralization is usually effected for reasons of efficiency and economy. I can see neither outcome from the institution of this new system. Its efficiency is questionable. It will not be economical if we will have to lay out \$1,000 initially and \$600 thereafter, plus charges for personnel, etc., when we already have a workable system in effect.

Usually changes are proposed when there are complaints about inferior service. No such complaints have been received about our present system for handling emergency calls. The question, therefore, is why change now? Our Fire Department at Long Ridge is very progressive; they are continually endeavoring to improve their service to the community. And I am certain when they feel reassured that a system is an improvement over what we now have, that they will support it wholeheartedly. They are presently working on a pre-fire plan whereby they will accumulate information as to where water is located for putting out fires; if there are handicapped or invalids and where; and I definitely am against adopting this plan at this time.

MR. ZELINSKI: I would just like to state that I am 100% in favor of this resolution, and further, ironically, just last week I heard on the radio that New York City is experiencing difficulty and problems with their 911 number which they've had for several years. Before we go into anything like this, we should heed the advice of the Big Five. I hope we pass this resolution.

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the proposed resolution that the Mayor make no commitment regarding the 911 emergency system until a total cost package and information has been submitted and approved by the Boards of Finance and Representatives. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MRS. McINERNEY: Since all Five Volunteer Fire Departments are here tonight, I would like to thank them on behalf of all the citizens of Stamford for all of the numerous hours of volunteer service they give our community. We really appreciate it. Thank you.

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES

MR. FASANELLI requested a SUSPENSION OF RULES to take up Item #1 under Urban Renewal Committee, page 10 of this Agenda.

MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. FASANELLI: At this time we've received numerous expressions from local merchants in the area and other interest groups such as SACIA, about the plan that this Board hasn't had enough time to consider. We assured everyone that the Urban Renewal Committee has been working diligently with the Urban Renewal Commission on the plan itself and are well-informed, but we would like the rest of the members of this Board to have a little more time to inform themselves concerning this plan. The Committee also feels there are some legitimate objections out there from the public that they would like answered, and so, in response to this, since there is a March 31st deadline on this Urban Renewal Contract, the money is coming from the Federal Government, we would like to ask the President of this Board to hold a Special Meeting towards the end of this month; and prior to that Special Meeting, this Committee would like to hold a Special Hearing to answer any objections and questions raised on this particular plan change. We, therefore, are HOLDING IN COMMITTEE.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: The President will call a Special Meeting towards the end of the month. And Mr. Fasanelli, if he holds a public hearing, will get that information out to the merchants by means of the newspaper and radio station.

MRS. GUROIAN asked that the Committee make every effort to meet at night so those who are not in Stamford can attend.

MR. CORBO asked that the Planning and Zoning Director be invited as he would be a good counselor and asset to the Committee due to his background.

MR. FASANELLI said he would accede to Mrs. Guroian's and Mr. Corbo's requests.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - John J. Boccuzzi, Acting ChairmanPERSONNEL COMMISSION

	<u>Term Expires</u>
(1) <u>MILDRED RITCHIE</u> (R) 221 Hubbard Avenue (Held in Comm. 2/4/80) (without prejudice)	Replacing John T.D. Rich who resigned (term expired 12/1/78) December 1, 1983

MR. BOCCUZZI: Mr. Dixon is in Washington, D.C. today and for the rest of the week, so he has asked me to take his report. I will try to do as good a job as he does. The Appointments Committee met last Thursday. Present were Reps. Signore, Summerville, Darer, DeLuca, Dixon, and myself, Boccuzzi. Mrs. Ritchie was approved by a vote of 5-0 and I MOVE for her approval.

Mrs. Ritchie is now a member of the Republican Town Committee and another political organization and she will have to resign her seats on those committees because the Charter definitely states any person serving on the Personnel Commission could not be a member of any other political group. Mrs. Ritchie will resign tomorrow morning if she is approved this evening. She did not want to resign before approval of this Board and I can understand her position. It is our understanding she will hand in her resignation tomorrow and the Mayor will not swear her in on the Personnel Commission before she does.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mildred Ritchie's appointment which was Seconded. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

BOARD OF RECREATION

		<u>Term Expires</u>
(2)	<u>WALTER E. GAIPA</u> (R) 1186 Stillwater Road	Replacing Richard Rich whose term expired December 1, 1982

MR. BOCCUZZI: Mr. Gaipa's name is on the CONSENT AGENDA. (This was Seconded and Approved Unanimously at the end of the Appointments Committee agenda.)

BOARD OF RECREATION

(3)	<u>THOMAS PIA</u> (R) 11 Windell Place	Re-appointment December 1, 1982
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MR. BOCCUZZI said Mr. Pia received the unanimous approval of the Committee, 6-0 and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT MOVED that Mr. Pia's name go back to committee for further study. Seconded by Mr. Wider.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said the reason for his Motion is that some time ago, the Personnel Committee had before it the matter of Mr. Bosilevas to whom the City had to pay \$10,000.00 in back pay as a result of being fired from the Board of Recreation incorrectly. Our Committee determined that Mr. Pia was directly involved in this and therefore further study should be given to this appointment in light of this fact.

MR. WIDER said while Mr. Pia has done a tremendous job with the Board of Recreation, there is concern with his accepting the chain of command, and because he did bypass the Department Head, it did cost the City some \$10,000, and a number of public hearings. We can't condone this kind of action by our commissioners so this should go back before the Appointments Committee.

MR. BOCCUZZI: In reference to Mr. Pia and the lawsuit, this did come up in front of the Appointments Committee, and I can only tell you what he told us, and that was that the Board of Recreation advised or recommended that Mr. Bosilevas be removed from employment as a member of the Board of Recreation and that the actual removing was done by the Superintendent. Now this is what he told us and I have no ideas what went on in Personnel Committee, but that is our understanding, and that's why we approved him.

MR. BLUM: Well, I didn't want to get involved but that is not quite true. I conducted that hearing of Mr. Bosilevas and it was learned that one of the reasons why the \$10,000 had to be paid out is because of the reason for which he was fired. He was fired incorrectly, not by Mr. Giordano, but by Mr. Pia. Mr. Pia fired him and we had to pay the \$10,000. Then he was fired a second time by Mr. Giordano about a year later, and then he died.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DeLUCA said he'd like to reiterate what Mr. Boccuzzi said, and that sending it back to Committee will come out with the same results: with approval. He was on the prevailing side recommending a seminar be held for "Hires and Fires". We would just be wasting our time to re-commit, so the Board should vote for approval or rejection tonight.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said he felt that with further consideration, possibly the Appointments Committee would come out with a different vote, possibly not 6-0.

MR. LIVINGSTON said no purpose would be served by putting back into Committee. The Committee has done its job; it has interviewed; it came out with an unanimous decision, so we should vote on it and not send back to committee.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Pia's appointment. Mr. Pollard voted incorrectly and wishes to change his vote. The Motion to Send Back to Committee is LOST 20 No; 13 Yes; 1 Abstention.

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED for Mr. Pia's appointment. Seconded.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said if they could not get any further clarification on Mr. Pia's position in costing the City in excess of \$10,000, in all good conscience, they could not vote to approve him at this time.

MR. WIDER said he didn't know what citizens out there are thinking when they have people who seem to lack the knowledge to follow a chain of command and lose their money to the tune of \$10,000, especially when we are squeezing pennies now. It hurts the City.

MR. CORBO said he is going to vote against this because Mr. Pia has been too long on this Commission, and he is in the process of introducing an ordinance prohibiting any longer appointments than five years.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote. Mr. Pia is CONFIRMED with 21 YES; 12 NO; 2 Abstentions.

PATRIOTIC AND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMISSIONTerm Expires

(4) FRANK ARTURI (R) Re-appointment
1394 High Ridge Road

December 1, 1984

MR. BOCCUZZI said Mr. Arturi was Held in Committee as he was ill and did not attend the interviewing session.

TRANSIT DISTRICT

(5) DIANE RAYMOND (D)
112 Hoyt Street

December 1, 1981

MR. BOCCUZZI said Diane Raymond is being Held in Committee.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)TRANSIT DISTRICTTerm Expires

- (6) MARY PAT BAXTER (D)
42 Field Street

December 1, 1983

MR. BOCCUZZI said Mrs. Baxter was approved unanimously by the Appointments Committee, who was very impressed with her interpretation of the Transit District and the answers to all the questions that were put to her, and they feel she will be a definite asset to this District. He MOVED for her approval. Seconded.

Mrs. Baxter is APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY (Voice vote).

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED for approval of the CONSENT AGENDA which is Mr. Gaipa. SECONDED. CARRIED.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - CO-CHAIRPERSON PAUL ESPOSITO

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED to the CONSENT AGENDA Fiscal Items #4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, #12, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20.

- (1) \$25,000.00 - LAW DEPARTMENT - Code 230.5110 PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES -
Additional Appropriation requested by Deputy Corp. Counsel Boodman 12/26/79 and Mayor Clapes 12/28/79. Original request was for \$50,000 and Board of Finance approved \$25,000 on 1/10/80. Returned to Committee 2/4/80 by this Board.

MR. ESPOSITO said the Fiscal Committee met Wednesday, February 27th. Present were Reps. Lyons, Hogan, Flounders, Livingston, Betty Conti, Fauteux, and Esposito. Many additional Boardmembers were also present.

MR. ESPOSITO: This \$25,000.00 was Held in Committee last month. It is an account that's used to hire additional outside attorneys when their expertise is needed in specific legal problems that face the City. Fiscal voted 7-0 to approve and I so MOVE. SECONDED.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked for a list of the expenditures that this \$25,000 is going to cover.

MR. ESPOSITO said approximately \$17,000 is for Tyler-Cooper which are bills on hand for litigation involving the Sewage Treatment Plant. Approximately \$5,000 is to be used for legal fees in a discrimination case involving the Police Department. Another \$1,000 to York Waste Water in connection with the Sewage Treatment Plant.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he would vote in favor of the appropriation but he wished to state at this time that during the Fiscal meeting, Corporation Counsel-designate Leonard Cookney said he would pay the bills that were stated tonight by the Fiscal Chairman, and Mr. Boccuzzi wants the Minutes to show that this is where we expect that money to go.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. POLLARD: I am going to vote in favor of it but I am not terribly well-pleased with it. I am extremely dissatisfied personally that the Law Department comes to this Board, designates targets for the money to go and then encumbers it of its own free will. My best analogy for this is that if we were Congress, and the U.S. Navy Dept. asked for a billion dollars for an aircraft carrier, they ought not to come back with 10 destroyers. I think the Law Dept. is a bit whimsical in the way they spend our money. I invite the Board members to a Public Works Committee meeting next Thursday where we are going to review some of these matters.

MR. JOYCE said he would like to make a point, as a note of caution, to the Law Dept. and other agencies that we are in a time of Fiscal conservatism and the Law Dept. should utilize to the fullest extent and capacity the excellent lawyers that they have on their staff, in every situation where it is humanly possible to do so, without involving a conflict-of-interest.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: Please vote up for yes; down for no. For the listening audience, we have the "machine doctor" here; so that we are going to have to proceed to another vote to get an accurate count, because we have the double count right now. The machine is clear. Please vote. APPROVED with 28 YES; 6 NO; 1 Abstention.

- (2) \$25,000.00 - LAW DEPARTMENT - Code 230.5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS -
Additional Appropriation requested by Deputy Corp. Counsel
Boodman 1/18/80 and Mayor Clapes. Board of Finance approved
2/7/80.

MR. ESPOSITO said this account is slightly different and that is that this account has basically been used for and will be used to pay appraisers in appeals of assessment cases from the 1970-1971 reassessment to the City of Stamford. Fiscal voted 7-0 in favor and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. BOCCUZZI: Here again, Madame President, this account was my understanding that it is very possible that all the cases listed in the appropriation would not go to court before the end of this fiscal year, and I asked Corporation Counsel-designate Leonard Cookney if he would promise that whatever cases did not go to court, the money that was set aside for those particular cases would be returned to the City's General Fund.

I have a letter from Mr. Cookney dated February 28, 1980 confirming what he said to us in the Fiscal Committee that he would, indeed, return all funds to the General Fund. I would like to have the letter of February 28, 1980 addressed to me from Mr. Cookney, made a part of the Minutes of the Board of Representatives for this month (copy attached - page #12).

MR. JOYCE said shortly, in reviewing the Law Department's budget, they will be looking over the cost of appraisers to see that the City is getting their dollar-for-dollar value in these cases, and he would expect a detailed account. Is there opportunity for bidding, for negotiated fees? We must avoid loopholes that permit rip-off of taxpayers, and a careful review should be made of rates and exactly how the appraisers are charging the City.

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LOUIS A. CLAPES



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Representative John Boccuzzi
Board of Representatives
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Stamford, Connecticut

February 28, 1980

Dear John:

Re: Law Department Request for \$25,000
Professional Consultants - 230 5150

Last night at the Fiscal Committee meeting you asked if the Board of Representatives approved the \$25,000 for Professional Consultants fees, whether I would agree not to transfer any of these funds prior to the end of the fiscal year to any other account. I orally stated I would not transfer any funds out of this account and I now set forth this in writing.

I did state that if there are excess funds at the end of the fiscal year and they are returned to the general fund, that if we needed these funds in the next fiscal year we would request a special appropriation for same.

It is my understanding that the Fiscal Committee has approved our request for Professional Consultants fees and also for Professional Legal Services. I would like to thank the Committee for favorably considering our request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Leonard E. Cookney".
Leonard E. Cookney
Corporation Counsel

LEC:A

cc Mrs. Sandra Goldstein, Pres.
Mr. Paul Esposito, Co-chairperson
Mrs. Marie Hawe, Co-chairperson

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Fiscal Item #2 for \$25,000 for the Law Department. The MOTION is LOST by a vote of 23 Yes; 11 No; 1 Abstention. It needed a two-thirds' vote in the affirmative. (Note: This item is approved later, upon a Motion to Reconsider.)

MR. ESPOSITO said we would be back for that one next month.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked for a POINT OF INFORMATION. If we were to call a RECESS and get somebody to Reconsider, could it be done now, or does he have to wait to the end of Fiscal agenda?

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said a Motion to Reconsider could be made at any time during the report and you could then vote on that Move to Reconsider at the end of the report.

- (3) \$ 5,950.00 - E. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COURSE - Code 670 (4) - Additional Appropriation requested by R. Vittl 1/14/80 and Mayor Clapes. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.
(cut to \$4,750.)

HOLD	a.	670.2610 Maint. of Equipment	\$1,200.00
	b.	670.2710 Fuel Oil	2,700.00
	c.	670.2720 Electric	1,250.00
	d.	670.2750 Gasoline	800.00
			<u>\$5,950.00</u>

MR. ESPOSITO said Fiscal voted 6-1 to HOLD Maintenance of Equipment for \$1,200, for additional information, which then cuts the appropriation to \$4,750.00. Fiscal voted 6-1 to approve the \$4,750 for three accounts, and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. POLLARD said he felt it inappropriate to taking out one individual item and holding it. He thinks the bottom line amount only should be reduced.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said it was appropriate to approve part and hold part to be put on the Agenda again next month.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the three items totalling \$4,750. APPROVED with 29 Yes; 5 No; 1 Abstention.

- (4) \$ 8,000.00 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Code 650.4183 - MISC. SELF-SUSTAINING PROGRAMS. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (5) \$10,000.00 - WELFARE DEPARTMENT - Code 510.3610 GENERAL HOSPITALS AND CLINIC. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (6) \$ 9,000.00 - SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE - WELFARE DEPARTMENT - Code 530.2710 FUEL OIL - Additional Appropriation. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (7) \$46,974.00 - PARKS DEPARTMENT - Code 610.1140 SEASONAL SALARIES - Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (8) ~~-\$7,399.00~~ - CITY AND TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE - Code 210.3142 PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY. Approved 2/7/80 by Board of Finance.
\$4,925.00

MR. ESPOSITO said that the Town Clerk indicated the amount could be reduced to \$4,925.00. Fiscal approved that amount and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a voice vote and the item was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (9) \$ 6,235.00 - REGISTRARS OF VOTERS - Code 101.3140 PRIMARY EXPENSES - Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (10) \$17,710.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - ADMINISTRATION - Code 301. (2). Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

301.1201 Overtime	\$15,000.00
301.1220 Car Allowance	2,710.00
	<u>\$17,710.00</u>

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (11) \$15,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS - Code 310 (2) Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

310.2630 Supplies-Equipment	\$ 5,000.00
310.2751 Diesel Fuel	10,000.00
	<u>\$15,000.00</u>

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (12) \$58,400.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT - Code 341 (Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

341.1201 Overtime	\$16,000.00
341.2330 Genl. Matl. & Supp. Fac.	3,400.00
341.2331 Processing Chemicals	39,000.00
	<u>\$58,400.00</u>

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (13) \$ 900.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - MAINTENANCE OF SANITARY SEWERS - Additional Appropriation request from DPW Deputy Commissioner John E. Canavan 1/23/80 and Mayor Clapes. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.
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| 342.2610 | Maintenance of Equipment | \$ 900.00 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (14) \$122,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - INCINERATOR - CODE 343 (2) - Additional Appropriation requested by DPW Comm. Canavan 1/23/80 and Mayor Clapes. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.
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| 343.2720 | Gas and Electric | \$ 85,000.00 |
| 343.2730 | Water | <u>37,000.00</u> |
| | | \$122,000.00 |

MR. ESPOSITO: Fiscal voted 7-0 in favor and I so MOVE. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM said he objects to this personally as he wants the Public Works Committee to look into this really in depth. He said Mrs. Semon told him the water that is spilled directly into the Sound from the Sewage Treatment Plant and Incinerator is clean enough to be drinkable. He has himself seen why water is used, nothing but to wash down garbage out of the way and so on. Why can't some of this water from the STP be recycled to wash down? Garbage is money as electricity can be made from the heat from garbage and get gas called Methane from the STP.

MRS. LYONS said, to clarify a point, that the meter for the STP and for the Incinerator is the same meter. You can't divide it so the electric costs and the water costs are for both of these machineries and that's why it is probably so high.

MRS. CONTI said Mr. Blum's points are well-taken but there is a problem with the meter as a large amount of water is being registered as going through the meter but they don't feel they are using that much. It is under investigation.

MR. LIVINGSTON said part of the problem is they have a leak which has no pattern. It doesn't leak at given times when you think they would be using peak tonnage of water, so they are going to solve this problem with the experts. However, this is a bill that has to be paid.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said perhaps we should without paying the water bill until they fix the water meter which will be an added impetus to their attending to the problem expeditiously and rectifying it.

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED THE QUESTION, but Mrs. Goldstein said there is no one remaining to speak. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the \$122,000 on Item #14. DEFEATED by a vote of 22 Yes, 9 No, 4 Abstentions. (Mr. Guglielmo changed his vote.) (This item was later Reconsidered and was partially approved.)

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (15) \$ 2,750.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - SANITARY PUMPING STATION - Code 345 (2) - Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

		<u>Requested</u>
345.2610 Maint. of Equipment	\$1,250.00	1/7/80
345.2610 Maint. of Equipment	<u>1,500.00</u>	1/23/80
	\$2,750.00	

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (16) \$400,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - CONTRACT HAULAWAY - Code 351.5520. Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.

MR. BLUM asked for a Point of Order on Item #14 for the Gas, Water and Electric for Public Works Dept. Could they withdraw the water bill and vote only on the gas and electric.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said no, that would not be in order because we just defeated the appropriation for \$122,000.00. It was too late. It is not in order even when we defeated both parts of that appropriation.

MR. JOYCE called for a Point of Order, stating he voted on the Prevailing Side, against the Motion. He MOVES to Reconsider this particular item, deleting the \$37,000 for the water bill.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said it was a proper Motion at this time; that the Board would vote on this Motion to Reconsider and if it passes, will take up the item after the Fiscal Report is completed.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the Motion to Reconsider. MOVED. SECONDED. APPROVED by voice vote.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Item #14 will be Reconsidered at the end of the Fiscal Report.

MR. ESPOSITO said on Item #16 for \$400,000.00 for Contract Haulaway, Fiscal voted 7-0 in favor and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM said again, he must speak out against this \$400,000, now that he hears the new Commissioner has decided not to even give it a chance, of trying the program to haul away the incinerated garbage. A lot of money was spent for the W. K. WILLIAMS Report, the Consultants, who advised DPW they could save money on the Haulaway Contract by using a in-house truck.

MR. BLUM can't believe there are truck drivers who can't take a truckload of garbage to New Milford or Milford and not know the way and not know how to use that truck on site. There are expert drivers available. Is that \$65,000 truck to lay there and rust, like some railroad cars he knows of? A pilot program should be given a chance to see if money can be saved, an estimated \$500,000.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. ESPOSITO said the \$65,000 truck has not been on the road at all, and being new, can be sold for more than it was purchased. Commissioner Spaulding took that fact into consideration in making his decision to scrap the project.

MR. ESPOSITO said he was not on the Board when the Williams Report came out or when the consultants were approved, but they are humans, and although we pay them \$30,000, it doesn't mean they are perfect. The Williams people have already indicated to DPW that the \$500,000 savings projected did not deal with the issue if a City truck took the sludge to the dumping grounds, they would not be able to make the same number of trips as a private contractor due to highly regimented union regulations of City employees which limit the number of trips that can be made, the hours worked, number of coffee breaks, etc. A private contractor is not limited to the same degree. The City would have to hire additional Civil Service personnel and the origin of Civil Service has its basic purpose, political purposes as opposed to efficiency, and that has to be considered.

MR. CORBO said we have been doing a lot of complaining at different times about many things, about management. But you should have an alternative plan to offer, along with the criticism of management. It's just a political football game we are playing. The new committee of which he and Grace Guroian and Betty Conti are members will make every effort to come up with a sound plan to save the taxpayers money, to solve the problems, and be constructive.

MR. LIVINGSTON said the Commissioner made it clear to the Fiscal Committee that it would not be feasible or fiscally responsible for the City to get into its own haulaway program. One high-cost item would be service contracts all the way up to the site; the training of personnel even with just trying it out with one truck only as a pilot program, should the one driver become sick, then what? It is not our purpose to create jobs for the sake of creating them.

MRS. PERILLO MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said still to speak are Reps. Lyons, Guglielmo, Wider, Blum, Flounders, McInerney.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a voice vote. The Chair is in doubt. A machine vote DEFEATED the Motion to Move the Question with 21 Yes, 13 NO, requiring a two-thirds vote.

MRS. LYONS asked the members to think positively on this fiscal issue. This is not only for garbage haulaway, but also for sludge haulaway. She spoke to Ms. Semon, and the STP has not been working properly for two and a half weeks. During this time it was necessary to pay for the top appropriation in hauling away the sludge, otherwise the same offensive odor as occurred in the summer of 1978 would again occur. For those who have reservations about the truck situation and the Williams Report, she suggests determining what the negative feelings are on this, asking for a detailed explanation why it is not appropriate to use the truck, and get a detailed explanation of exactly what part of the Williams Report will be utilized within the City. She urged a favorable vote.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. GUGLIELMO said we did not buy this truck in the hopes of gaining some degree of capital appreciation, but to implement a program recommended by the Williams Report. He finds it totally inconceivable that the DPW continually seem to react to a situation. They buy the truck and then think of 10,000 reasons why they cannot utilize it. It just points out to a series of faulty decision-making, and some sort of investigation as to why this truck and this program has not been implemented. It should be discussed and possibly implemented.

MR. ESPOSITO said the way he reads the situation is that the DPW really was forced to buy that truck, pressured into it by the Board of Finance. The past Commissioner, during the past year, was forced into that situation due to constant pressure every time the haulaway came up, and as a means of alleviating that pressure, they decided they would try this test pilot project. Now a new DPW Commissioner has come in, has evaluated the situation, and has made a managerial decision that it would not be an economical and efficient way to proceed, and apparently has not felt the pressure yet, and will not use the truck and not go ahead with the pilot program. He hopes this explains it satisfactorily to Mr. Guglielmo.

MR. GUGLIELMO feels it further supports his contention of faulty decision-making on the part of the Public Works Dept. If that is the case, they should not succumb to pressure.

MR. WIDER said several years ago, the Resource Recovery Program was presented to us. Then three years ago, the money for the truck was appropriated and it was purchased last year. For spending One Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars in one year, we wanted some kind of solution. To be honest, no effort has been put forth yet to bring this plant up to standard. He doesn't say the truck is the answer, but anything that you don't have an answer for is worth trying and that's why we voted to purchase the truck because it was recommended that it would be a relief for us. We're not really trying. That is what hurts.

MR. FLOUNDERS said a lot has been said, many points well-taken; and we're all getting plenty sick of the amounts of money we have to approve for Public Works. The new Commissioner is a dedicated man, sincere, and a problem-solver by nature, and should be given a chance. As Mr. Corbo said, we cannot manage departments, we can only sort of control and over-ride expenditures, but we have to give management of those departments an opportunity to make decisions before we try to manage them by controlling the amount of money they can spend. Only one truck would do nothing. It would take six trucks. The City is not in the trucking business, which is as complex as running the incinerator. Let us approve this appropriation and not let the sludge pile up.

MRS. McINERNEY said if we are to act in a legislative and management position, we should be aware of all the facts and ramifications first. In operating a truck, there are liabilities to consider. Look at our track record of auto accidents with fire trucks, ambulances, etc. Present landfill sites may not be available in the future as the State Dept. of Hazardous Wastes is presently assessing every site in the State. Vote for the appropriation tonight to give the people in Shippan relief. A month of stock-piling would be unconscionable.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. JOYCE said he has heard via the grapevine that there are a lot of irregularities in the haulaway program and he would like it looked into, such as trucks moving out that are not full, payment for garbage that is not hauled away. Better over-all supervision is called for.

MOTION MADE TO MOVE THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Item #16, \$400,000 for Contract Haulaway. APPROVED with 31 Yes; 2 No; 2 Abstentions.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said before Mr. Esposito proceeded with #17, did EW&G concur on items #1 and #2 for the Law Department. He, Fauteux, said they did. And on #3 for Brennan Golf Course, Mr. DeLuca said they concurred.

- (17) \$880,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 1979-1980 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING TO "PROJECT #320.365 PUBLIC WORKS MAINTENANCE COMPLEX" an additional amount to complete construction as original contractor went into bankruptcy. Board of Finance approved 1/10/80 and again 2/7/80. Requested by Mayor Clapes as re-submission on 2/5/80. This Board denied request at 2/4/80 meeting.

MR. ESPOSITO said Fiscal voted 7-0 in favor and he so MOVES, SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI said it is travesty to have to come up with \$880,000.00 four years after the project was initiated and supposed to call for Two Million Dollars. In future we should be more prudent in our planning, bidding, etc.

MR. CORBO MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said still to speak is Mr. Wiederlight. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Mr. Pollard made a blanket concurrence on all Public Works items. Item #17 was APPROVED by a vote of 32 Yes, 3 Abstentions.

- (18) \$ 75,400.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS - RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 1979-1980 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING A PROJECT TO BE KNOWN AS "No. 310.816 WINSTED-OUTLOOK STREET", of which \$14,950 is to be assessed against property owners and \$60,450 to be assumed by the City. Finance Board approved 2/7/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (19) \$ 3,000.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - Board of Finance approved 2/7/80.
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| 102.2610 | Maintenance of Equipment | \$2,000.00 |
| 102.2650 | New Equipment | 1,000.00 |
| | | <u>\$3,000.00</u> |

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (20) PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FILING OF BUDGET APPLICATION WITH STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES (DHR) FOR STAMFORD DAY CARE PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 7/1/80.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

MR. DeNICOLA said he was on the Prevailing Side and Moved for Reconsideration of Fiscal Item #2.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Mr. DeNicola made a Motion to Reconsider Item #2 for \$25,000 for the Law Department. SECONDED. This will be voted on at the end of the Fiscal Agenda, after #14 has been Reconsidered.

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED for APPROVAL of the items on the CONSENT AGENDA. SECONDED. They are Items #4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 18, 19, 20. CARRIED.

FISCAL ITEM #14 FOR RE-CONSIDERATION:

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED again for approval of \$122,000.00 for the Public Works Dept., divided \$85,000 for gas and electric, and \$37,000 for water. Fiscal voted 7-0 in favor.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT MOVED to amend that Motion, that \$85,000.00 be approved for gas and electric, and leaveout the water item.

MR. ESPOSITO said Public Works has admitted there is a problem with the water bill but that they have not established whether the problem is with the meter, or if there is a leak, or what, and the amount of water used is erratic and rather high, and there is a bill for \$37,000.00. If we don't pay the bill, they can turn off the water. Seriously consider what you are doing if you cut.

MR. BOCCUZZI said are we asked to eliminate or to hold the \$37,000 as there is a big difference. If we hold, we can vote on it next month. If we cut, then it would take approximately three months to get it back here. There is a big difference between Holding in Committee and denying or cutting outright.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said to clarify the situation, and if Mr. Wiederlight and the Seconder have no objection, what we will vote on will be to HOLD 343.2730 for \$37,000.00 for Water, and to APPROVE 343.2720 for Gas and Electric \$85,000.00.

MR. BLUM offered an amendment to state hold and investigate as to who is at fault; if there is a leak, why hasn't it been taken care of; and the same goes for the meter, if that is faulty.

MR. POLLARD made a Point of Personal Privilege, stating there is a Motion that has not been Seconded that is already being argued. by Mr. Blum.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said he would not agree to this amendment to his Motion. He said it is obvious that is what is going to be done in Committee and to state it now is being exponent of the obvious.

MR. BLUM withdrew his amendment.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)FISCAL ITEM #14 FOR RE-CONSIDERATION (continued)

MR. CORBO said with Mr. Wiederlight's permission, he would like to reinstate the \$37,000.00 as we would be approving it next month or soon thereafter. We should give the benefit of the doubt to Management and then look into the deficiency, if there is any.

MR. ROOS wonders what we are discussing. You are responsible for what happens beyond the meter. If we have a meter reading a leak, the leak is beyond the meter and so it would seem that is the City's responsibility. Withholding this money is just going to get us into trouble.

MRS. PERILLO said the Commissioner is well aware this is a very high bill and will check it and see what it is so high. He will not pay it and just let it go.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said no one has given a reason why it is so high. Holding it will be an added impetus to make this investigation and report back to this Board next month.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Returning to Committee, the water item for \$37,000.00. APPROVED with 21 Yes votes; 12 No votes; 2 Abstentions.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said we will go on to the second item under #14 for \$85,000.00 which MR. ESPOSITO MOVED again. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY to approve \$85,000.00 for Gas and Electricity. (voice vote)

FISCAL ITEM #2 FOR RE-CONSIDERATION

MR. ESPOSITO again MOVED for approval of the \$25,000.00 for the Law Department, Code 230.5150 Professional Consultants.

MR. ESPOSITO said he would like to go into a little more detail on this at this point. These Professional Consultants are appraisers, and there are seven or eight cases which have been carried over from the 1971 re-evaluation, or re-assessment appeals, being the most difficult cases.

Each case is extremely important in terms of the assessment. For example, Case #1 is an assessment of \$4,067,380, and to deal with this there are corporations and residential apartment houses requesting re-evaluation, and they come prepared with quality attorneys and quality appraisers. To make its case, the City cannot cut corners here. Appraisers hired by the City must be top-of-the-line appraisers because if we lose these cases, we are going to be in a lot of trouble in terms of taxes. The total assessments we are talking about for all these cases is \$12 Million, and if we lose those cases, that comes out to approximately \$780,000 per year over the last six years, so we have to get the very best. We do have detailed accountings and he does not want to bore the members with the exact number of days and how many hours and how much it is going to cost, but he has the material here if anyone would like to look at it on some of these cases.

FISCAL ITEM #2 FOR RE-CONSIDERATION

MR. ESPOSITO continued to say that in Case #1, the appraisal fee is for \$5,400.00 plus \$250.00 a day court-time, and it would probably take six days in court, if it goes to court. In all the other cases, it includes \$250 a day in court-time and we have no idea how many days in court it will take, if in fact it does go to court, but if it does not go to court, we still have to pay the appraisers.

In Case #2 we are dealing with an assessment of \$2,500,000 and the appraisal fee is \$1,500. In Case #3, we're dealing with an assessment of \$900,000, and the appraisal fee is estimated at \$2,100. To save a lot of time, I have documentation here of appraisers' fees that come to approximately \$25,000, and there may be more, simply because the City has to fight these particular cases; not only that, if we lose in 1971, it may affect the assessment in 1980, and it continues, so these are very important items.

MR. BLUM thanked the Chairman for telling us what it is about.

MR. DARER MOVED THE QUESTION. No speakers left on the list.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Fiscal Item #2 for \$25,000 for Law Department for Professional Consultants. APPROVED with 33 YES; 2 Abstentions.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - Co-Chairman John M. Zelinski, Jr.

MR. ZELINSKI: Legislative and Rules Committee met on Monday, February 25th. Present were Reps. Fasanelli, Donahue, Blum, Wiederlight, Loomis, Pollard, Tony Conti, and Zelinski. We also had three attorneys there.

- (1) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CONTROL AND REGULATE EXCAVATION, FILLING AND GRADING. Submitted by City Rep. McInerney. Held 1/2 and 2/4.

MR. ZELINSKI: This is being HELD IN COMMITTEE

- (2) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE RE PRIVATE GARBAGE COLLECTORS. Submitted by Rep. McInerney. Held 2/4/80.

MR. ZELINSKI: This is also being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (3) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE RE "MORATORIUM ON CONDOMINIUMS CONVERSIONS" - submitted by Rep. Zelinski. Held 1/14 and 1/21/80.

MR. ZELINSKI said our Committee had at the Feb. 25th meeting, three local attorneys: Mr. John Boesen of Connecticut Legal Services, Attorney Fraulo, and Attorney Greenstein, and this pertained to the moratorium on condominiums. The Committee voted 5 in favor of holding and 1 against.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said that if Mr. Zelinski wished to discuss this item, he would have to bring it out of committee by making a Motion to that effect. She said she would permit Mr. Zelinski to briefly describe why he wanted to take it out of committee, but very briefly on the merits.

• LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. LOOMIS objected to this, stating that if Mr. Zelinski is to be permitted to discuss why he wants to take it out of committee, then the five members of the L&R Committee who voted to Hold in Committee, should at this time also be permitted to speak and give their reasons why it should not be brought out of committee. We should go by the Rules, or not go by the Rules, but be consistent.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said that according to Robert's Rules, he may very briefly, in one sentence, tell us why it should not be held in committee.

MR. LOOMIS said he expects Mr. Zelinski to not exceed one sentence.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN asked Mr. Zelinski to keep it very brief, otherwise he would be out of order. It is not a laughing matter. Also that those who feel it should not be taken out of committee are free to discuss why they think it should remain in committee. There is nothing wrong with that.

MR. ZELINSKI begged his colleagues to at least allow discussion on this because after the committee voted to hold this, another apartment building has gone condominium; while we sit here and talk, things are happening and we should do something this evening, even if it is only publication. He asks for freedom tonight to allow discussion on this serious problem to the tenants who live in Stamford.

MR. LOOMIS said he counted six sentences, but very quickly he wished to point out that they have not even gotten an opinion from Corporation Counsel's office, which would be tantamount, for example, for the Sewer Committee suggesting they wanted to go ahead and erect some incinerators without even getting the advice of the Public Works people. The matter is a very serious one; we had one attorney who was for it; two attorneys who were against it. This deserves full scrutiny of a good many people, certainly the State Legislature who is now passing legislation on this very subject. It is a problem but does not deserve to be ram-rodged through this legislative body as he believes some people wish it to be.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT agreed with Mr. Loomis that Corporation Counsel's opinion should be gotten.

MR. BLUM said he would also not like to see another apartment house going condominium tomorrow but how do we stop it?

MR. DARER MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MR. ZELINSKI asked for a Point of Personal Privilege, stating he hoped that anyone who might have a possible conflict-of-interest, such as owning an apartment complex, dealings with attorneys, etc., would consider that fact.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said everyone on this Board is capable of acting within the bonds of ethical conduct and she did not like what is being applied hereto everyone.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote. Motion DEFEATED with 22 NO; 10 YES; 3 Abstentions. Mr. Fasanelli changed his vote. This will not be taken out of committee.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. ZELINSKI said MR. LOOMIS would report on the next few items.

- (4) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR TAX ABATEMENT FOR THE GREENWICH LAND TRUST, INC. FOR 10.059 ACRES CONVEYED TO THEM BY FRANCES D. CLYNE on 12/1/79 - located on Farms Road, Stamford. Held 1/2 and 1/21.

MR. LOOMIS said this is being HELD IN COMMITTEE. Unfortunately the attorney for this particular Land Trust in Greenwich did not appear.

- (5) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO APPOINT THREE ALTERNATE MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE AS PER STATE STATUTE SECTION 7-340a. Held 1/2 and 1/21/80.

MR. LOOMIS said this is also being HELD IN COMMITTEE. He investigated with several bodies in Hartford and found clearly we could go ahead. To explore the matter further, we are going to schedule a meeting with members of the Board of Finance along with a few other interested citizens who have advocated this measure and have a full report back to this Board at its next meeting.

- (6) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR RIGHT-OF-WAY EASEMENT TO GIVE WILLIAM AND PHYLLIS CHAPIN ACCESS TO OLD LONG RIDGE ROAD. Held 1/21/80.

MR. LOOMIS said they had an attorney there representing William and Phyllis Chapin. Mr. Wiederlight made some excellent suggestions about perhaps getting some compensation for that access, which will be investigated and reported back at next meeting. This is, therefore, being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (7) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR TAX ABATEMENT FOR NATURE CONSERVANCY PROPERTY - held 1/21/80.

MR. LOOMIS said the attorney on this matter did not appear so this is being HELD IN COMMITTEE also. He will let MR. ZELINSKI handle the Girl Scouts, #8.

- (8) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR TAX ABATEMENT FOR SOUTH-WESTERN CONNECTICUT GIRL SCOUT COUNCIL, INC.

MR. ZELINSKI said that is BEING HELD IN COMMITTEE also.

- (9) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT TRESSER BOULEVARD TO CONNECTICUT NEWSPAPERS, INC., in the sum of \$230,000.00 LESS \$25,900.00 (cost of relocating recreational facilities), for a net of \$204,100.00. Board of Finance approved 11/8/79. Planning Board approved also. Mayor's re-submission 12/17/79.

MR. LOOMIS said he is MOVING for final adoption, by the Committee's unanimous vote. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote)/

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Chairman David I. Blum

- (1) PROPOSED ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CITY EMPLOYEES RENDERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN THEIR FIELD TO PRIVATE PARTIES IN ORDER TO UPGRADE CODE OF ETHICS AND AVOID DETRIMENTAL COMPETITION TO PROFESSIONALS INVOLVED IN SAME FIELD IN PRIVATE SECTOR. Submitted by Rep. Corbo 1/7/80. Held 1/21.

MR. BLUM said this item is being processed and we will be speaking to the Corporation Counsel as to its legality and coming out with an ordinance soon. Other matters were discussed, and we will report next month.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - Chairman Dominick Guglielmo

- (1) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE - PER 12/16/79 REQUEST FROM ATTY. WECHSLER (PHONE) TO APPROVE SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY TO THOMAS J. McDONALD, SAMUEL W. SCALZI, THE ESTATE OF JOHN SCALZI AND THE ESTATE OF LEONARD SCALZI - TWO PARCELS. Board of Finance approved 9/13/79. Held.

Tract I Premises abutting Broad St. consisting of 8,456 sq.ft. \$10,994.
Tract II Premises formerly known as Pleasant St. 8,952 sq.ft. 26,856.
\$37,850.

MR. GUGLIELMO said the Committee met Tuesday, Feb. 25th at 8:00 P.M. Present were Reps. Stork, Wider and Guglielmo. They voted unanimously for approval. This is to go on CONSENT AGENDA. I MOVE for approval. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM objected to it being on CONSENT as he wished to comment. He said the legal notice in the ADVOCATE did not mention "a portion of Pleasant Street" and he thought it should, rather than appearing to be the entire street that is being abandoned.

MR. DONAHUE said the exact location and the exact footage, the exact longitude and latitude of this tract are pointed out within the body of the ordinance.

MR. GUGLIELMO said he concurs with Mr. Donahue that the ordinance is very, very specific as to the area of Pleasant Street that will be abandoned. That because it is so specific, the fact that a portion of Pleasant Street was deleted was not really germane to the issue at hand.

MR. DARER MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on this ordinance and it was APPROVED with all YES votes, except one NO vote, being Mr. Blum.

MR. Joyce has left now, so we have 34 members present, so the vote is 33 in favor and one opposed.

- (2) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE - COMPANION TO #1 ABOVE - CONCERNING ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF PLEASANT STREET.

MR. GUGLIELMO said the Committee voted 3-0 in favor and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a machine vote, and it was APPROVED with 28 YES votes, 3 No votes, and 3 Abstentions.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Co-Chairman Everett Pollard

MR. POLLARD said the Public Works Committee meeting was principally to attend the Fiscal Committee and that has already been reported on as concurring.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Chairwoman Jeanne-Lois Santy

- (1) MATTER OF AUXILIARY POLICE, THEIR POWERS AND USE OF THEIR PERSONNEL - submitted by City Rep. Blum 1/2/80. Research report received. Held 1/2 and 2/4/80.

MRS. SANTY said the Committee met February 27th with Mildred Perillo, Paul Dziezyc and herself in attendance. Patrick Joyce was unable to attend because of illness, and the Committee is very happy he has returned to them this evening and they wish him many years of good health. Those in attendance for discussion regarding utilizing auxiliary police powers were Chief Cizanckas, Deputy Chief Passaro, Spec. Police Lt. Larry Ceci, Special Police V.P. Mike Skroumbros, Aux. Chief Marvin Grudin, Aux. Officer Bob Gaffney, Police Officer Sal Ladestro, Officer Frank Cronin, Officer Louis Isado, and Reps. Stork, DeLuca, Wiederlight, Guroian and Corbo.

After a lengthy discussion and interesting dialogue by everyone in attendance, it was finally agreed by all parties involved that the Auxiliary Police, upon completion of training and testing procedures, would become Special Police Officers under the command of Chief Cizanckas.

Special Police are required to volunteer an amount of ten hours per month to the Police Department, and they give many more hours than that. They are presently being assigned to night-time foot patrol in the downtown and railroad areas. It is because these dedicated groups of officers truly thought of their community first that agreement was finally reached and the committee feels that Stamford will indeed benefit.

MRS. PERILLO asked to interject here that the Police Commission was invited and did not attend, so we really haven't resolved the problem. We still don't have their input on Auxiliary being Auxiliary as well as Special Police. She doesn't think they can be both although the Chief agreed that they can still be Auxiliary and join the Stamford Special Police, so the Police Commission has not given an input to our committee as yet, so she doesn't think anything has been finalized from this.

MRS. SANTY said she was under the impression that Chief Cizanckas spoke for the Commission; he sent their apologies. She doesn't know why they did not attend as they received two notices, one on Feb. 25th and one of Feb. 20th, and it was awkward that they were absent.

But the Chief stated they could become Special Officers under his command, and the only time they would be assigned Auxiliary responsibility would be in a disaster, a State disaster, of ice storms and so forth, then they would be under the direction of the Governor, which last happened in 1978 and these officers were assigned to Stamford, so he didn't see any problem at that time.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE (continued)

- (2) LETTERS OF 1/8/79, 11/30/79, and 1/3/80 FROM LEE GRAY RE HAZARDOUS CONDITIONS AT EDEN ROAD, WOODBROOK DRIVE AND PARRY ROAD. Serious safety problem. Held 1/2 and 2/4/80.

MRS. SANTY said Item 2 on the Agenda re hazardous conditions which are long-standing and go back to 1976, was discussed with Commissioner Bruce Spaulding, City Engineer Sabia, Planning Chairman Grosso, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gray, concerned taxpayers of 29 Ward Lane. Also Committee members Perillo, Dziezyc, Stork, DeLuca, Corbo, and herself.

When the DPW appeared before the Planning Board on the Capital Projects Budget in 1979, Mr. Grasso said they were apprised of the drainage problems in Eden Road area and other streets in the whole City where there have been continuing problems, they did not request any projects! They were then requested to initiate projects for these same streets. These streets are again in the 1979-1980 Capital Budget. There remains about \$565,000 of unencumbered funds in the Storm Drain account.

Commissioner Spaulding said these particular problems could be resolved this summer, hopefully, by using in-house Public Works employees. You won't have to touch that \$565,000. He also stated his Engineering Department would do a study regarding all drainage problems causing safety problems in the entire City and will make a priority list.

Of special note to everyone of the Representatives is that since 1972, a long-range plan for drainage problems has been requested by the Planning Board of the Public Works Department, and only this year is it a line item in the 1980 Capital Projects Budget.

Mr. Grosso stated, and the Committee concurred, that without such a plan, Public Works can and does only respond to the emergency of the moment, and these drainage problems causing hazardous road conditions, must be resolved in their entirety.

- (3) LETTER 1/29/80 FROM REP. DeLUCA REQUESTING POLICE DEPARTMENT PUBLICIZE LOCATIONS OF BURGLARIES, ETC., SO ADJOINING RESIDENTS CAN BE MORE ALERT AND TAKE PROTECTIVE MEASURES.

MRS. SANTY said on Item #3, this was discussed with Chief Cizanckas who said that all break-in and reported crimes are listed on the Police Blotter every day and that this list is checked by the Media. The Committee agreed unanimously to send a letter to Jay Shaw, President of the ADVOCATE; Bob McCullough General Manager of the radio station; and Harry Rosenbaum, Editor of the WEEKLY SHOPPER, to request sufficient coverage of these crimes. The Committee felt this would alert the residents to be more observant and protective of their property and neighborhood. This concludes the Committee's report.

MR. ESPOSITO asked how that would be handled; in the form of an official letter from the Board of Representatives?

MRS. SANTY said it would be in the form of a letter from the Health and Protection Committee on our official stationery, requesting they give sufficient coverage of these break-ins, crimes and vandalism in the different areas.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. ESPOSITO said he didn't know if it would be appropriate to debate that, but there are reporters regularly assigned to covering the Police Botter, and to make an official issue of publicizing these incidents in detail is a questionable policy and residents might object to having their names and addresses put in the newspapers or announced on the radio simply because they were burglarized. He said the Stamford Anti-Crime Unit which has Block Watch programs could be duplicated in other areas where there are significant burglaries so the neighborhood can become aware of the situation and this might be preferable.

MRS. SANTY said this was discussed with Chief Cizanckas. Details such as names and exact addresses need not be publicized, just general areas.

MR. ESPOSITO said he would object to an official letter from an official body of this legislative agency.

MRS. SANTY said her Committee felt it was their prerogative, and the Clerk, Annie Summerville, has a copy of the proposed letter in her hand.

MR. ZELINSKI said as long as it was not specific as to addresses, he would be in favor of the Motion.

MR. DeNICOLA didn't think it was a good idea, as burglars out there are professional and would start hitting other areas, working night and day.

MR. STORK said Kevin Roach from WSTC was at the meeting and he said they just go down and look at the Police Blotter and pick up the big names, ones that will be easily recognized, and he doesn't think that is right. It is the little people, too, that need to be protected.

MR. CORBO asked if the Police Chief were comfortable with whatever Mrs. Santy is trying to do? He said the Chief is trying to do the best job that he can and he would like to praise the Chief for that.

MR. ESPOSITO said it is a crime wave and publicity will give the impression that the number is actually increasing, and he seriously thinks this has many negative aspects to it and that is why he even raises the issue. He cannot vote for it.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said if Mrs. Santy read the letter, perhaps some of the discussion could be forestalled.

MRS. SANTY said the letter was held until this evening. The members of the Health and Protection Committee of the Board are vitally concerned about the lack of publicity regarding burglaries and neighborhood vandalism has been brought to the Committee's attention, and we agree, that if these incidents were given sufficient publicity, it would alert the area residents to be more observant and protective of their property and homes. We urge you in the best interest of the community to consider this request.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DeLUCA: I seem to be getting the same feeling of almost about one and a half years ago, when roughly about 12,000 people signed a petition holding the limit on spending, and Rep. Esposito made a comment that actually the general public didn't know too much about what went on in budgets, fiscal problems, etc. I seem to be getting the same feeling that the constituents who requested something like this to happen, really don't know what they're looking for, yet it is constituents in the 14th, the 11th, the 12th districts, throughout the town, who are requesting this type of publicity. The Chief said the information is available on the Blotter. The constituents of all of us have requested this publicity and information. I don't think that we 40 wizards over here, people of wisdom, have all the answers for them. The Board should take a vote tonight and then see what happens.

MR. WIDER appreciated hearing the Committee ask for coverage. He said the South End, the West Side, the East Side have gotten some beautiful coverage over the years. One of the things that bothered him was that in the paper he would see a good report on everything that's happening in the South End, and there was no coverage of the burglaries occurring up there in the country for years where he has worked and knew about. We should vote for this coverage.

MR. CONTI said his district was mentioned and he wouldn't want that advertised as being a very lucrative place to start breaking into. All the burglars are not from Stamford, many are from out-of-town.

MR. CORBO said we are dealing with criminal psychology and social criminology and we should let the Chief handle it. That the media by now has certainly gotten the message without need of a letter.

MR. ZELINSKI said his 11th district was mentioned and he has received calls from his constituents regarding burglaries, and he urges a favorable vote.

MR. FLOUNDERS MOVED THE QUESTIONED. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on sending a letter to the media and others as mentioned asking for publicity. It will be sent by the Health and Protection Committee, and Mrs. Santy read the letter. Motion APPROVED with 20 YES, 9 NO, 4 Abstentions. Mr. Guglielmo has left the meeting so we have one member less.

MRS. SANTY said that concluded her report.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Chairman Robert "Gabe" DeLuca

- (1) FOR APPROVAL - GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COURSE 1980 FEES FOR GREENS AND SEASON LOCKERS - 1/22/80.

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee met Feb. 22nd to discuss the items on the Agenda. On Item #1 Corporation Counsel's opinion received tonight says this Board does not have the power to approve Gaynor Brennan fees although there is some contradiction in the Code of Ordinances, but the Charter prevails.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DeLUCA (continuing): I disagree with this opinion, being of the firm belief that Section 204 of the Charter gives us the right of regulation and approval of everything that goes on in this City. However, it is up to the Board members tonight to decide whether Corporation Counsel is right or if Section 204 gives us that power.

I do not know why the Brennan Commission objects to our over-sight, but I will not take the time to debate this in detail now. We approve the rate structure for the Parks Department, for the Recreation Department, etc. Section 543 apparently was loosely written and I do not believe intended to bypass this Board's approval.

Getting back, I hope this Board will strongly recommend to Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission that we will no longer subsidize the non-resident golf club members who now enjoy privileges because they have joined either the Men's or the Women's Golf Clubs. They can play golf on weekends and holidays for \$1.50 more than a regular resident, but \$3.00 LESS than a non-resident. To me, this represents the Stamford taxpayers subsidizing a select group of people.

On the other hand, Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission has now started charging our Resident Senior Citizens \$1.00. At our meeting it was suggested that a flat rate be charged the Senior Citizens but the Commission said it was not feasible. Someone said base it on income, but they said it would be too much of a hassle. It was suggested raising the fees to Junior Residents, but they said they were trying to encourage the young people to play golf and be future members. However, I feel by charging the Senior Citizens \$1.00 each time, you not only are discouraging them from playing golf, but it becomes a matter of do they have money to eat at the end of the month, or do they have money to play golf. Elderly people should be encouraged to use this form of exercise which is done in a protected environment and very healthful.

An argument was made that last year they played 10,000 rounds of golf free. 10,000 rounds is not that much to cost the City when you consider the waste and inefficiencies in other departments. I have before me a petition signed by approximately 160 people which may not seem like much, but considering the short span of time in which they collected these, plus the fact that these are signed by people 20, 30, 50 years old, not just Seniors, which indicates even the youth feel Seniors have paid their dues all these years and are entitled to play free during the weekdays.

All I can ask, therefore, is for our Board to make some form of recommendations that, granted we may not have the right this year to approve the fees at Gaynor Brennan, something will have to be done in future years as we cannot allow a handful of people, whose appointments we approve, to dictate the policies of our City as far as recreational privileges go.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said it appears there are several areas that the Committee is discontented with in relation to the issue and perhaps it would be very much in order if, during the coming month, Mr. DeLuca met with the Commission and tried to resolve these areas; and those areas which did not lend themselves to resolution, he could come before the Board with specific requests or recommendations. That would be something the Board could handle at the next meeting.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. CORBO said Mr. DeLuca did an outstanding job on the research and asked if we had double standards between the two golf courses. He said the elderly pay \$1.50 at Sterling Farms.

MR. DeLUCA said Sterling Farms is an Authority, with autonomous powers, and right now we are in the process of consolidating both golf courses. For the moment, all we can do is hope that publicity will exercise pressure to relieve the issue up there.

MR. ZELINSKI said Section 200 of the Charter states the legislative power of this City is vested in this Board. Also Section 204 mentions powers of this body. He agrees with Mr. DeLuca this Board does have the power.

MR. DeLUCA said he sincerely hoped that Gaynor Brennan Golf Commission will see what the reactions are, consider the feelings of this Committee, and some of the Board members here, and prior to the start of the golf season on April 1st, revise their rates whereby the Senior Citizens may either be charged 50¢, or a flat rate for the season, and non-resident club members not be subsidized by City taxpayers.

MRS. McINERNEY asked if Mr. DeLuca was going to tell the golf commission that it was the general consensus of the Board that we are 40 members unhappy with the fee schedule.

MR. DeLUCA said no way did he imply anything like that. He hoped the publicity and some of the comments tonight would change their minds. This is a Committee report.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said that Mr. DeLuca and his Committee will be meeting with the Commission to try to work out the problems that do appear to persist and exist; and if there are any items that cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the Committee, then they will be back with a Committee recommendations next month, or in the coming months.

- (2) REQUEST FOR PERMITS FROM SPRINGDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT - 2/6/80 to hold their ANNUAL PARADE AND CARNIVAL from May 28, 1980 through May 31, 1980. Permit to post a banner across Hope Street in front of firehouse at 987 Hope St. Also permit to hold parade on 5/28/80 at 7:00 p.m. on Hope St. from Toms Road to firehouse.

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee voted 3-0 in favor of permitting this request and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

- (3) REQUEST FROM ELEANOR BERMAN 2/4/80 TO HANG BANNER ACROSS BEDFORD STREET for first two weeks in March to announce first major event "Women's Energy Outlet" to be held Saturday, March 15th at Rippowam High School.

MR. DeLUCA said they voted 3-0 in favor and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)(4) REPORT ON CHESTNUT HILL PARK re vandalism, Little League use, etc.

MR. DeLUCA said Park Commission Chairman Shek advised him today that the North Stamford Little League will be playing at Chestnut Hill Park effective March 28th.

MR. DeLUCA feels a vote of gratitude and thanks should go to Reps. Santy, Signore, Maihock, and to Donald Dell, Little League President, Coach Bill Scanlon, to former Board member George Hays for their perseverance and efforts in this matter. Everyone has a copy of the resolution prepared by Don Donahue and myself which we would hope the Board would approve tonight as part of the record.

We feel this resolution, coupled with Rep. Maihock's amendment, will continue to enhance our position that all parks, not only Chestnut Hill Park, to consistently remain open for the good of the entire community.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN asked Mr. DeLuca if you would MOVE the Resolution without the amendment.

MR. DeLUCA: I MOVE for approval of the Resolution. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said it was now in order for Mrs. Maihock to offer her amendment and the vote would now be on the amendment to the Resolution.

MRS. MAIHOCK said this amendment is to re-emphasize the need for Police protection to enable the Little League and the public to use Chestnut Hill Park with assurance there will be protection. The amendment is on the desks of the members and states as follows:

"BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the 16th Board of Representatives that Chestnut Hill Park will be opened in time to allow the field to be properly maintained and the Northern Little League season to begin, and that police protection be provided during hours of Little League activity and general Park use; and in addition, that there be a police patrol surveillance program after curfew hours to control unauthorized entry and activity in Chestnut Hill Park."

MOVED and SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the amendment to the proposed resolution. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

MR. DAREK asked as a Point of Information whether the amendment and the resolution had the force of law.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said resolutions don't normally have the force of law, but the Board of Representatives has, according to the Charter, the right to require certain things in relation to our parks and our recreational facilities, and this is one of the things we have by Charter and by the section that is mentioned here, 595.1.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DARER said his only concern is that Mrs. Maihock's amendment had a clause in it about after-hours police protection. He did not, in researching this before he came tonight believe the agreement was to provide police protection around the clock, after curfew. He just didn't want the Board to go out on something that has not been agreed on at this moment. He thinks that amendment could be misconstrued if it bears any force of law, or because it is not part of the agreement as he understands it.

MRS. PERILLO asked if it would be regular police or Special Police patrolling Chestnut Hill Park. She feels the Parks Department should be responsible for the Parks and they do employ the Special Police, and could utilize them up there. We are short of regular police now and the criminals know it.

MR. DZIEZYC MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a machine vote on the resolution as amended. APPROVED with 27 YES, 1 NO, and 5 Abstentions.

PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Co-Chairman Lathon Wider(1) COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT'S SIXTH YEAR BUDGET.

MR. WIDER said after five workshops, three public hearings, five budget hearings, one follow-up meeting with citizens and agencies who presented proposals, at their February 21, 1980 meeting, the Committee voted 3-0 to present the resolution authorizing the Mayor to apply for the sixth-year funding. Co-Chairman Stanley Darer will read the resolution. MOVED and SECONDED.

MR. BLUM asked why funds are taken away from Senior Citizens for Out-Reach Programs; also a proposed program was denied for a sort of Community Center for \$10,000 at Burdick School, due to "priorities".

MRS. GOLDSTEIN called for a vote and the Motion was APPROVED with 31 YES votes and 1 NO vote (Mr. Blum) -- voice vote. Mrs. Goldstein said Mr. DeNicola has left the meeting, leaving 32 in attendance.

MR. WIDER thanked his Committee for the dedicated work they performed during this trying period on this budget and programs. Mr. Darer has been a great right arm, as well as Mr. Dixon, Mr. Roos, and Mrs. Lyons.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Chairman Richard Fasanelli(1) PROPOSED CHANGES IN URBAN RENEWAL CONTRACT - PARCELS 8 and 9.

MR. FASANELLI said no report at this time.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Chairwoman Audrey Maihock(1) FLOOD PRONE REGULATIONS - DETERMINATION OF POWERS, ETC. OF EPB.
Preliminary Proposed Regulations submitted by Chairman Casale.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. MAIHOCK said the Committee met Thursday, Feb. 28, 1980. Present were Mark Lubbers, EPB Director, Louis Levene and Louis Casale of EPB; Mrs. Florence Russack and Mr. Langenham of the Conservationists; Mr. Pirre and others from the Rippowam River Protection Assn.; Mr. Edward Connell; Mr. Corbo, and Mrs. Maihock.

A quorum of the Committee was not present as Mr. Joyce was ill and Mr. Zelinski was not present; but there is an urgency. They are completing the regulations and these were discussed and are being forwarded to Corporation Counsel for an opinion.

SPECIAL COMMITTEESHOUSE COMMITTEE

MS. SUMMERVILLE: The House Committee would just like, on behalf of the total Board of Representatives, to thank Mrs. Guroian for our lovely integrated cake tonight. For the listening audience, she made us a beautiful cake. It was white inside and black on the outside and I like that. Thank you again, Mrs. Guroian. The cake was delicious.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: I will accept a Motion to Accept the Minutes of Jan. 20, 1980

MOVED, SECONDED, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN: We are going to be holding the Minutes of February 4, 1980.

RESOLUTIONS

- (1) SENSE-OF-THE BOARD RESOLUTION 2/13/80 FROM CITY REP. HOGAN THAT THIS BOARD DECLARE APRIL 1, 1980 AS UNITED STATES CENSUS DAY IN STAMFORD.

MR. HOGAN: In view of the lateness of the hour, I think everyone has a copy of the Resolution declaring April 1st Census Day, and this would be in conjunction with the Declaration by the Mayor, and I would at this time waive reading it and MOVE for its adoption. SECONDED.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (2) PROPOSED RESOLUTION RE 911 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM.

This was approved earlier on in the evening. See page 5 of these Minutes.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said she had two announcements to make. There will be a joint public hearing on the 1980-1981 Operating and Capital Budgets on Wednesday, March 26, 1980. She hopes all members will plan to attend as it is a very important joint meeting.

Also the Drug Liberation Program has invited the members to an Open House on March 11th at 7:30 P.M. at Liberation House. This is an annual event.

MR. BLUM asked when they would receive their Capital Budget books. They have the Operating Budget books,

MR. CORBO asked if there was a date set for the Special Meeting,

MRS. GOLDSTEIN replied a notice will be sent to everyone regarding that Special Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, upon MOTION made by Representative John J. Boccuzzi, SECONDED and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 A.M.

By Helen M. McEvoy
Helen M. McEvoy, Administrative Asst.
(and Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:

Sandra Goldstein
Sandra Goldstein, President
16th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was broadcast
in its entirety by Radio Station
WSTC and WYRS. AK:CT:HM

	Seat No.	Members	Dist./Party
	1	CONTI, Betty	R - 7
	2	GURULAN, Grace	R - 7
	3	FLOUNDERS, Burtis	R - 13
	4	WIDER, Lathon	D - 3
	5	DARER, Stanley	R - 13
	6	MCMERNEY, Barbara	R - 20
	7	POLLARD, Everett	R - 17
	8	JOYCE, Patrick	D - 10
	9	ESPOSITO, Paul	D - 4
	10	BOWLBY, Doris	R - 17
	11	ROOS, John	R - 10
	12	SANTY, Jeanne-Lois	R - 16
	13	STORK, Philip	R - 15
	14	CONTI, Anthony	R - 11
	15	DeLUCA, Robert Gabe	R - 14
	16	HOGAN, John J.	D - 12
	17	MAHOCK, Audrey	R - 19
	18	LOOMIS, Ralph	R - 10
	19	LYONS, Moira	D - 1
	20	SUMMERVILLE, Annie - Clerk	D - 6
	21	LIVINGSTON, Jeremiah	D - 5
	22	BOCCUZZI, John J.	D - 2
	23	KUNSAW, John	D - 3
	24	CORBO, Florenzio	R - 14
	25	DZIEZYC, Paul	R - 15
	26	FAUTEUX, Robert	R - 20
	27	DIXON, Handy	D - 2
	28	FASANELLI, Richard	D - 6
	29	PERILLO, Mildred	D - 9
	30	BLUM, David I.	D - 12
	31	ZELINSKI, John	D - 11
	32	SIGNORE, Mary Jane	R - 13
	33	PERILLO, Alfred	D - 9
	34	DeNICOLA, Vincent	D - 8
	35	GUGLIELMO, Dominick	D - 5
	36	RYENICK, Gerald	D - 4
	37	DONAHEE, Donald T., Jr.	D - 8
	38	WIEDERLIGHT, Michael	D - 16
	39	HAVE, Marie	R - 1
	40	GOLDSTEIN Sandra - President	D - 16

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Note:	Votes #3, and 4 above were both on the same Motion for approval of Item #1 Fiscal \$25,000 for PROFES. LEGAL SVCS. Vote #4 is the vote that was the governing vote.							

MEETING REGULAR March 3, 1980

Changes in Seating:

CODE:

O = Absent.
A = Abstaining.
Y = YES vote.
N = NO vote.

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VOTING SUBJECT; MOTIONS, ETC.

TEST

TEST

Motion to Return to Committee Pia's Apptmt.
DENIED: 13 yes; 20 NO; 1 abstention #1
21 (5 absent)

Motion to Approve Pla to Recreation Bd.
APPROVED: 21 yes; 12 No; 2 abstentions (2 Absent) (2)

Motion to approve Fiscal #1, \$25,000 (3)
Law Dept. VOTE:29 yes; 6 no; 4 absent and
1 vote did not register (looks like Dixon's)

Motion to approve Fiscal #1, \$25,000 Law
Dept.; APPROVED 28 yes, 6 no, 1 abstained;
(5 absent & 1 did not register) (Parer)

Motion to approve Fiscal #2 \$25,000 Law
Dept. --DENIED: 23 yes; 11 No; 1 abstained;
(5 absent)

NOTE: RECONSIDERED LATER & APPROVED
See Tally #12 on page 3.

Note: Votes #3, and 4 above were both on the same Motion for approval of Item #1 Fiscal \$25,000 for PROFES. LEGAL SVCS.

Vote #4 is the vote that was the governing vote.