

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MONDAY, JULY 6, 1981

16th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

City of Stamford, Connecticut

A regular monthly meeting of the 16th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on MONDAY, JULY 6, 1981, in the Legislative Chambers of the 16th Board of Representatives in the Municipal Office Building, Second Floor, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M. by President Sandra Goldstein, after both political parties had met in caucus.

INVOCATION: Given by City Representative Jeanne-Lois Santy, 18th Dist. Deaconess of the Stamford Baptist Church
602 High Ridge Road, Stamford, Conn. 06905

DEACONESS SANTY: I would ask all of the Representatives to take their seats, please. Before we ask God's blessing, every month we stand here and we pledge allegiance to our Flag. Since our national holiday weekend has just passed, I think it appropriate this time to pause and reflect on what the Flag means to us; and I would like to share some thoughts written by "An American" about our Pledge of Allegiance:

I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. What do these words mean to you? To me, they say: Thank you America, for your strength, your courage, and your freedom, freedom which has been a beacon to the world for over 200 years.

Of the United States of America. Whose bright stars are fifty States, each bearing its own stamp of individuality. People who have come here from all corners of the earth.

And to the Republic for which it stands. A land of laws with an ingenious system of checks and balances that allows no man to become a tyrant; and lets no group prevail if their power is not tempered with a real concern for the governed. A land where the right of dissent and free speech is jealously guarded; where the ballot box is the sword, and the people the carriers of the swords.

One Nation Under God. A land where freedom of worship is a cornerstone of her being. A land graced by churches, temples, and synagogues, and altars that rise in profusion and embrace all the religions of our beloved United States.

Indivisible. A land forged by the hot steel of raw courage and formed forever by the awful crucible of the Civil War.

With Liberty. Where man in pursuit of an honest life will not be denied his chance. Where her citizens move freely; move within her vast borders without hindrance or fear; a land brimming with opportunity; where freedom of choice is the guide for all.

INVOCATION (continued)

And Justice. The courts of our land are open to all. Its wheels of justice grind for all causes, all people. They look to every avenue for justice, every concern of the law, and they temper their reasoning with mercy.

For All. Let us tear down the walls of bigotry and prejudice, and live in harmony with ourselves and others.

Let us pray. Dearest Lord, in reverence to Thee, we bow our heads. We thank You for the privilege of living in this, our Country, a nation founded on freedom, and striving for justice. We salute our Flag in grateful love and praise for Thee. Take our hands, Lord, and lead us through this evening, step by step, reminding us that we cannot do everything we wish, nor do it perfectly. Only You are perfect, and only with your help can we do our best. Help us always to remember to ask for that help. Lord, You know our weaknesses and our strengths. Keep us from confusion, and guard us from either pride or fear. Keep our hearts and minds open to each other, and help us to work together for our City, knowing the quiet joy of doing our best. Lord, stay very close to our members, who have had recent illnesses, or experienced losses of family or close friends. Bless and be a comfort to some here tonight who may need Thy guiding hand through personal turmoil. Be near to each and everyone of us, and open the eyes of our minds that we may see what You wish us to do, and give us the will, the intelligence, the love, and the courage to do this. For this we pray in Thy Holy Name. Amen.

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

ROLL CALL: Clerk Annie M. Summerville called the Roll. There were 32 present and 8 absent at the time of Roll Call, but several members came in after Roll Call was taken. Absent were Reps. Darer, Stork (came in 9:54 p.m.), Anthony Conti, John O'Brien, Livingston (came in 11:38 p.m.), Corbo, Fauteux, and DeNicola. (Mr. DeNicola's resignation was accepted by the Board and his replacement is Peter Blais.)

PAGES: MISS VIRGINIA HAWK, 7th grader at St. Gabriel's School, and the daughter of City Rep. Marie Hawk.

MISS KELLY BREDEN, 7th grader at Dolan School.

CHECK OF THE VOTING MACHINE: Upon checking the machine, President Goldstein said the machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

for the late MR. JESSE ABELS, requested by Rep. John Zelinski.

RESIGNATION OF VINCENT DeNICOLA:

THE PRESIDENT said the first Order of Business is to fill a vacancy that has arisen on the Board, and she has received this month, a letter stating:

RESIGNATION OF VINCENT DeNICOLA (continued)

"Please be advised that as of June 9, 1981, I have moved from 15 Hamilton Court, Dist. #8, to 63 Sanford Lane, District 16.

"It is for this reason that I hereby give you my resignation from the 16th Board of Representatives for the 8th District.

"It has been a pleasure working with you and the entire Board."
(signed Vincent DeNicola; June 9, 1981)

THE PRESIDENT ^{said} it was a pleasure for the Board to have had Mr. DeNicola serving the City and serving his District and he will be missed.

ELECTION OF PETER BLAIS, 300 Seaside Ave. to the vacancy in the 8th Dist.:

MR. DONAHUE: While I accept with regret the resignation of Mr. DeNicola, I am at one and the same time, happy to nominate Mr. Peter Blais to fill the vacancy in the 8th District. Mr. Blais is a life-long Democrat. He resides at 300 Seaside Ave. He is an accountant, is an experienced auditor, and has worked for both the New York State Department of Audit and Control, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency in that capacity; and I so MOVE for his appointment. SECONDED.

MR. WIDER MOVED to close nominations. Seconded.

THE PRESIDENT said since there are no other nominations, she is asking the Clerk to cast one ballot on behalf of Mr. Blais. The Clerk carried out that request.

THE PRESIDENT administered the OATH OF OFFICE to Mr. Blais, and he thereupon took his seat on the floor of the Board formerly occupied by Mr. DeNicola.

THE PRESIDENT said the next item on the Agenda was the Annual Message of the Mayor.

MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE: Mayor Louis A. Clapes gave his annual report, copies of which had been distributed to each member of the Board.

THE PRESIDENT thanked the Mayor for appearing before the Board and making his Annual Report.

STANDING COMMITTEES

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED to WAIVE the reading of the STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT. SECONDED. CARRIED.

HMM:MS

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

A meeting of the STEERING COMMITTEE was held on Monday, June 22, 1981 in the Democratic Caucus Room, Second Floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at which time a Quorum was present. Chairwoman Sandra Goldstein called the meeting to order.

PRESENT AT THE MEETING:

Sandra Goldstein, Chairperson
Mary Lou Rinaldi
David I. Blum
Annie Summerville
Handy Dixon
Lathon Wider, Sr.
Donald Donahue
Fiorenzo Corbo
Robert DeLuca

John Hogan
Jeanne-Lois Santy
Audrey Maihock
Anthony Conti
Barbara McInerney
John Boccuzzi
Paul Esposito
John Zelinski
Alfred Perillo

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the MAYOR'S ANNUAL MESSAGE.

(1) APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 18 names appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. ORDERED ON THE TENTATIVE AGENDA for August is Sybil Taccone, Human Rights Comm. ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA were 7 names; Thomas F. Langan, Marie Patterson, Louis Levine, Peter Stekla, Theophilus Blackshear, Sr., Carol Ericson, and Alvin J. Siegartel.

(2) FISCAL COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were all the 20 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(3) LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 5 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda AND one item from the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA TO BE HELD IN COMMITTEE were 5 items: Proposed Ordinance re: repealing Section 8-18 of Code of Ord. entitled "Annual Pickup of Household and Yard Debris.", Proposed Ord. re. repeal and revision of Sec. 8-2 of Code of Ord. re. garbage collection in sewerred areas and areas that become serviced by City sewers. Proposed Ord. mandating debris pickup 9 times a year. Proposed Ord. amend Sec. 21-49 and No. 338 Supplemental re. sludge, etc. Proposed Ord. creating a water pollution control authority, etc.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(4) PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(5) PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 5 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda, AND one item appearing on the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA but HELD IN COMMITTEE were two items; Study of Penalties for Zoning Violators and Request to Review Office Procedures of City Agencies Responsible for Issuing Building Permits.

ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA until more information is received is one item re; Acceptance of General Waterbury Lane as a City Street.

(6) PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(7) HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 4 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA but HELD IN COMMITTEE was one item re; dump on Fahey St. ORDERED OFF THE AGENDA was one item re. Status Report - Fire Task Force.

(8) PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 3 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda AND 2 items appearing on the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(9) EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

ORDERED TO BE HELD IN COMMITTEE was one item appearing on the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda; Inquiry into past functioning of the Smith House Nursing Facility.

(10) PUBLIC HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were 4 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda AND 2 items appearing on the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(11) URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(12) CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE & ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

(13) RESOLUTIONSUNDER SUSPENSION OF THE RULES:

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was a Sense of the Board Resolution concerning the Preservation of the Octagon House at 120 Strawberry Hill Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the STEERING COMMITTEE, ON MOTION duly made, SECONDED and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

SANDRA GOLDSTEIN, CHAIRWOMAN
STEERING COMMITTEE

SG:ak

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Handy Dixon, Chairman

MR. DIXON said the Appointments Committee met on June 9 and again on July 1st, and still again on July 2nd. All Committee members were present at at least one or more of the meetings, except Rep. Stanley Darer, who was pre-occupied with other matters related to his job. Of the 18th items listed under the Appointments Committee, Mr. Dixon placed on the CONSENT AGENDA, the following: Items #1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

BOARD OF ETHICSTerm Expires:

(1) ATHANASIOS LOTER (R)
220 High Clear Drive

Re-appointment

June 30, 1986

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.BOARD OF TAX REVIEW

(2) EDWARD GREENBERG (R)
677 West Hill Road

Replacing J. Lombardo
whose term expired

Dec. 1, 1984

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)COMMISSION ON AGINGTerm Expires:

- (3) MARY M. POLTRACK (R) Re-appointment Dec. 1, 1983
3 Ponus Avenue

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.FAIR RENT COMMISSION

- (4) CAROL WALKER (R) Re-appointment Dec. 1, 1985
160 Highview Avenue

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.FAIR RENT COMMISSION - ALTERNATE

- (5) RONALD J. WAGNER (R) Replacing Craig Koester Dec. 1, 1985
202-28 Soundview Ave. whose term expired.

MR. DIXON said this item is being HELD IN COMMITTEE for the reason of no interview.

STERLING FARMS GOLF AUTHORITY

- (6) EDMUND CALLAHAN (D) Replacing A. Dastoli January 1, 1984
457 Pepper Ridge Road whose term expired.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (7) JOHN PEDONE (R) Replacing Robert Crosby January 1, 1983
32 Mary Anne Lane whose term expired.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.PARK COMMISSION

- (8) GEORGE RAVALLESE (D) Replacing Richard Fitz- December 1, 1983
61 Lincoln Avenue maurice whose term expired.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (9) WILLIAM SHECK (R) Re-appointment December 1, 1982
789 Riverbank Road

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)PERSONNEL BOARD OF APPEALSTerm Expires:

- (10) DALE JACKSON (R) Replacing T. Martinez December 1, 1985
12 DeNicola Road

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.PERSONNEL COMMISSION

- (11) WILLIAM ASKEW (D) Replacing Lynn Lowden December 1, 1985
100 Hoyt St., Apt. 4-K whose term expired.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.PLANNING BOARD - ALTERNATE

- (12) JOHN ORDWAY (R) Replacing M. Young December 1, 1981
65 Glenbrook Road who resigned.

MR. DIXON said Item #12 is also being HELD IN COMMITTEE due to no interview.

ZONING BOARD - ALTERNATE

- (13) IRVING SLIFKIN (R) Replacing Carl Becker December 1, 1985
211 Shelter Road Rd. whose term expired.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

- (14) JOHN SEDLAK (R) Re-appointment December 1, 1985
249 Hamilton Ave.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - ALTERNATE

- (15) ORVAL STAMM (R) re-appointment December 1, 1985
33 Slice Drive

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.WELFARE COMMISSION

- (16) DR. RALPH PESIRI (R) Re-appointment December 1, 1983
1729 Bedford Street

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - (continued)WELFARE COMMISSIONTerm Expires:

(17) CATHERINE SCINTO (R) Re-appointment December 1, 1982
17 Hillside Avenue

MR. DIXON said Mrs. Scinto's re-appointment received 4 votes for approval, 2 for denial and one abstention from the Committee. Mr. Dixon said Mrs. Scinto has a long list of credentials which he will not go into at this time. However, he wished to say that it appears that the Welfare Commission has not exercised its full power and authority in working with the Welfare Director over recent years. On the other hand, it appears that the Commission has been stripped of much of its power by the revision of the Charter in 1977. This apparent doubt, or confusion, as it may be, on the part of the Commission as to its authority may be a large contributor to what appears to be undesirable conditions in the Welfare Department.

MR. DIXON said the Appointments Committee advised Dr. Pesiri to seek an opinion from the Law Department on this whole matter, which hopefully will put the Welfare Commission in a better position to work with the new Welfare Director.

Mr. Dixon then moved for the confirmation of Mrs. Scinto. **SECONDED.**

MRS. CONTI asked to hear from those who opposed the appointment of Mrs. Scinto.

MR. FASANELLI said he voted against Mrs. Scinto because under the previous Director of the Welfare Department, the Welfare Commission let anything and everything go by. They just took a very complacent role, and he felt it was not in the public's best interest to have a Chairman of the Welfare Commission take such a lax attitude and have such a believable nature and not be more aggressive on behalf of the public. There should have been more questions asked. They should have asserted their authority and their role as a Commission to a greater extent than they did. He still feels the public's best interest would be served if there were someone in that position with a more aggressive personality, a more assertive personality, who can look after the public's welfare a little bit better.

MR. DeLUCA said the only way they could give any person on the Welfare Commission, or even the Health Commission, any assertive power to be aggressive is by revising the Charter. Unfortunately, years ago, the Welfare Commission had power, but the Charter has now put them in just the position of an advisory capacity. We have some fantastic doctors sitting on the Health Commission and some of them are very aggressive, but with Dr. Gofstein, who is the Director, you cannot be aggressive. He still controls the shots. And Mrs. Scinto has done a good job. She may not be aggressive, but once again, her powers are not there in the Charter. He would urge the Board to reappoint Mrs. Scinto. She has been trying to do a good job, and hopefully, in the near future, when a new Director comes on board, and the Charter might be revised slightly to give them the powers that they need, the City will be better off.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DIXON said he wished to concur with what Mr. DeLuca said, and also that upon checking the Charter a few days ago, he found that prior to revision in 1977, did in fact give the Welfare Commission a lot of authority which it does not have any more. The Welfare Commission at that time had direction, under the Charter, to play a significant role in making up the budget; they acted in a much stronger advisory capacity to the Director; and since the Charter was revised, Mr. Dixon found all of that has been deleted and the Welfare Commission really is powerless, almost.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Mrs. Scinto. There are 33 members present, as Mr. Blais has been sworn in. Mrs. Scinto has been CONFIRMED with 28 Yes votes, 2 No votes, and 3 Abstentions.

TRAFFIC DIRECTOR - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING

(18)	<u>JAMES W. FORD</u>	5-year contract	July 6, 1986
	72 Pauline Street (-)	(Effective 7/1/81)	
	Stratford, Conn. 06497		

MR. DIXON said Mr. Ford's credentials are excellent. He was made Traffic Engineer in 1978; and in February of 1981, he became Acting Director until just recently, when he passed the test and came out tops, out of 5 that appeared for the test. He made an excellent presentation before the Appointments Committee and he received the unanimous vote of approval, 7 in favor, none against, and he MOVED for approval. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM asked how was the exam given and who questioned Mr. Ford. Was it the Transit District, the Personnel Department, or who interviewed Mr. Ford.

MR. DIXON said his Committee plays absolutely no role in giving a test. That is something done by the Mayor and the Personnel Department. The name was submitted to this Board, and was processed through the Appointments Committee, and he has made his report on it.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Transit District did question Mr. Ford.

MR. DONAHUE said Mr. Ford's credentials speak for themselves. And he has always been very cooperative, and more than that, has demonstrated a genuine concern for problems faced by area residents. Recently, he spent a Friday night, working until midnight, to help on a problem in the 8th District. He is a genuine benefit to the City.

MRS. McINERNERY urged the Board members to approve Mr. Ford as the Traffic Director. She said the Appointments Committee interviewed him for an hour and ten minutes very extensively. They were all satisfied with his answers and felt he was very willing to dedicate the time to do the job that had to be done in Stamford; and that he was a very capable and qualified person to do so.

MR. FLOUNDERS MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT said Mr. Ford was CONFIRMED by a vote of 30 Yes, zero No votes, and 3 Abstentions.

(NOTE: Please insert this Page #10A into your July 6, 1981 Minutes, as Mr. Blum requested his comments re the Traffic Director's appointment be entered verbatim.)

APPOINTMENTS (addenda)

TRAFFIC DIRECTOR - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING

MR. BLUM: "I'd like to ask through you, Madam Chairman, the Chairman of the Committee mentioned that five people took the exam. I'd like to ask him how was the exam given, and who questioned Mr. Ford. Was he questioned by the Transit District? Was he questioned by the Personnel Department, or who interviewed Mr. Ford?"

MR. DIXON: "I see no reason for having to say this, but the Appointments Committee plays absolutely no role in giving a test. That is something that is done totally and completely outside the jurisdiction of the Appointments Committee. It is done by the Mayor and the Personnel Department, and we have no control over either. The name was submitted to the Board of Representatives and processed through the Appointments Committee, and that we have done, and I now have made my report on it. That's as far as I can go on it."

MR. BOCCUZZI: "Yes, the Transit District did question Mr. Ford."

MR. BLUM: "I would assume that the Transit District, being the Mayor and the Acting Chief of Police, and so on, being the Transit District. My reasoning for asking this is that there are some things that bother me, that have bothered many in my district, as well as neighboring districts, as to what happened, and the Mayor just gave us a wonderful report (The Mayor's Annual Report) on this TOPICS PROGRAM in regard to the Bedford Street and Summer Street one-way of each one. The item that bothered me was what happened at Urban and Chester Streets, that being, and I don't know how many streets there are in the City of Stamford, but I would assume there are public and private streets. There are streets that are supposed to be public and every citizen, who has a car, is entitled to go up and down that street. When you close off a street, and you put it for the simple reason whoever lives there, that bothers me. And I think it bothers a lot of people (someone tried to interrupt here with a Point of Order, and The President asked Mr. Blum to get to the point because she believed Mr. Blum was straying)...the point is that I don't like that part of Mr. Ford, who was questioned on that, and I would like to hear from Mr. Dixon, how much questioning went on about the TOPICS PROGRAM."

MR. DIXON: "Well, I don't know what you mean specifically, but just let me say that we questioned Mr. Ford in just about every area that we could think up and come up with. Mr. Ford has been carrying out, to a wide extent, the program that was established before he came on board. He has been Acting Traffic Director, but he hasn't been in office long enough to initiate any great changes of his own. I'm sure that, as he assured the Committee, that there will be some changes made and he will make changes that are in the best interests of the City."

SYNTHESIS OF POLYMERIZABLE MONOMERS

Abstract: This paper describes the synthesis of a series of monomers which are capable of undergoing free-radical polymerization. The monomers are derived from a common starting material, and their properties are discussed. The results of the polymerization reactions are also presented.

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DIXON MOVED for APPROVAL of the CONSENT AGENDA for Items #1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, all of which received unanimous votes of approval from the Appointments Committee. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES

MRS. McINERNEY MOVED to Suspend the Rules to bring up the Charter Revision Committee's report at this time, that is, taking it out of order. SECONDED. CARRIED.

CHARTER REVISION AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Co-Chairpersons Grace Guroian and John J. Hogan, Jr.

- (1) TO CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS AS SUBMITTED TO THE 16th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES BY THE 12th CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION. (Public hearing by the Board was held on June 24, 1981.)

MR. HOGAN: "Pursuant to Resolution #1361 of this 16th Board of Representatives and pursuant to Resolution #1366 of this 16th Board of Representatives, and in compliance with the provisions of Chapter 99 of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut, the following is respectfully submitted to this Board for its action. I wish to state at the outset of the report that I shall attempt to be as brief as possible with the contents of this report.

The Charter Revision Commission was initiated by action of the Board of January 12, 1981. The members of this Commission were approved and appointed by this Board on February 2, 1981, and at the same time, were charged with the responsibility "to make any appropriate or necessary revisions or amendments to those sections of the Charter of the City of Stamford relative to the scope and responsibility of the Board of Trustees of the Classified Employees' Pension Fund.

In the interim between their appointment and to the present time, the Charter Revision Commission has held numerous meetings, two public hearings, and they have sent a draft of their proposals to each member of this 16th Board.

The Charter Revision Committee of the Board has met with the Charter Revision Commission, and it, too, has held a public hearing for the Board, and for the public on June 24, 1981. The hearing was well-attended, with many in attendance voicing their opinions and comments.

The Commission made four basic recommendations for change and it is the unanimous recommendation of the Committee of this Board, to the Board, that that section of report of the Charter Revision Commission relating to certain portions of the present Charter language be deleted as being unnecessary, superfluous, in view of the fact that if said language is in effect at the present time in the State Statutes, then the Statutes would naturally control.

CHARTER REVISION REPORT OF MR. HOGAN (continued):

I would read for the record, Madam Chairman, the portions the Committee has voted to recommend for deletion:

On the copy dated June 1, 1981, headed PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS from the 12th Charter Revision Commission, starting on Line 28, after the word thereof. Starting with, and this will be DELETED:

'Any portion of the fund may be invested in bonds of the City of Stamford or in any securities authorized by the laws of the State as investments for trust funds or may be deposited in any savings bank or trust companies or state or national banks in this State or used to purchase life insurance or endowment policies or annuity contracts issued by a life insurance company authorized to transact business in this state.'

This entire sentence would be DELETED as unnecessary. It would be followed with:

'Full discretion in investing the assets of the fund - then DELETION of: "in accordance with the foregoing provisions" (Those six words would be the deletion, so the sentence would read:

'Full discretion in investing the assets of the fund shall be with the investment manager or investment managers selected by the trustees for the purpose of investing the assets of the fund.'

This is the only deletion, or change, that the Committee is recommending to the Charter Revision Commission. I, therefore, Madam Chairman, MOVE that this be RETURNED to the Charter Revision Commission for their action, and that they report back, as required by the State Statutes in the time required, in order that we may vote upon this so that it will be on the ballot for the November election. I so MOVE. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT: "It has been MOVED and SECONDED that the Proposed Charter Amendments be returned to the Commission for action regarding the proposed deletions that the Committee recommended.

MR. BLUM: "I would like to ask the matter of time at which this has to be at the Secretary of State's Office in order to appear on the ballot, which I believe is by September. Will we have sufficient time to accomplish this?

MR. HOGAN: The answer is yes, that if, in the wisdom of the Board this evening, they decide to return this to the Charter Revision Commission, the Commission then has 15 days in which to act; after that, there is a 30-day period in which this Board will have time to act, but I am sure both of those actions will come before our next regular meeting in August and will therefore be in time to submit, as Mr. Blum, to submit to the Secretary of State's Office so that we can get it on the ballot.

MR. ZELINSKI: I have a few questions. When did your committee vote, Mr. Hogan, to make these deletions in the Commission's Report.

MR. HOGAN: The Committee voted earlier this evening; in fact, the Call of Meeting was for 6:30 P.M. and they voted at the meeting tonight.

CHARTER REVISION REPORT OF MR. HOGAN (continued):

MR. ZELINSKI: My next question, and as you mentioned in your opening remarks, Mr. Hogan, that there was a possibility that the State Statutes would supersede our own Charter and therefore would make the sentence that you want deleted, obsolete. Is that correct?

MR. HOGAN: That is correct.

MR. ZELINSKI: Did the Charter Revision Commission address that question, or did your Committee address it prior to tonight's meeting as far as if indeed there is a State Statute that would cover this. Do we know it for a fact, or are we just speculating? I would like to know a definite answer.

MR. HOGAN: I can't give you a definite answer. This question was addressed after the public hearing that was held by your Committee with the Charter Revision Commission. As of this evening, we are unable to ascertain whether this Statute is on the books, or whether it is not on the books. The logic behind the thinking of the Committee is simply this: that if the Statute is on the books, then no matter what we pass, we cannot be in conflict with the State Statute and we will have to abide by the Statute. On the other hand, if the Statute is not on the books, this language as written into the present pension act, is, as I say, superfluous and unnecessary and only serves to clutter up the language.

MR. ZELINSKI said he is surprised because we have been operating under this Section of the Charter for some time, that we have had extensive Charter revision in 1977, another Charter revision in 1979; and he wonders that now, at this particular point in time, that this is being addressed and we still don't know the answer. He read the Commission's recommendations and was satisfied with it and was prepared tonight to vote on their recommendations. Now there is a new twist to it, and he would like to make a motion to return this to the Committee and have them look into the State Statutes. MOVED. NOT SECONDED.

MRS. GUROIAN said she could not attend the Charter Revision Committee meeting tonight because it was called for such an early time and her train does not get into Stamford before then. However, had she been present, she would suggest that she sees no harm in leaving that portion in the Charter. If, in fact, it is superfluous, it will be ignored. If it is not superfluous, then it is probably necessary. She does not feel we should delay passage of this revision because of something which may or may not be superfluous since nobody has given her any indication that inclusion of this sentence would pose any problem in any way. As Mr. Zelinski said, we have been operating with this inclusion for x many years, and no problem has arisen because of this inclusion. She would opt, herself, to leaving it in there unless someone can give her a very good argument as to what problems it will cause if left in there, and voting on the proposal as it has been submitted to this Board. She said the Commission felt it posed no problem. However, if it can be returned and still come back within the time frame permitted, that was satisfactory to her; but it is her feeling it can be passed tonight without any change.

MR. HOGAN said he would agree with Mrs. Guroian in having this passed tonight. However, he got the very definite impression from the Commission that they were not comfortable with the question whether this was on the books or not, as Mr. Zelinski stated; and that they were going to determine if this was in effect or not. The Committee voted, prior to Mrs. Guroian's arrival, to delete this as being unnecessary. He feels the Commission should also determine prior to their deleting it, whether it is on the books, and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

CHARTER REVISION (continued):

MR. BOCCUZZI said Mr. Hogan made the remarks he was thinking of himself, that we have time before our next meeting to get this back to the Commission and have them come back to us, and then we can get it up to the State in time. He suggests we approve Mr. Hogan's recommendation.

MR. RYBNICK MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Moving the Question. APPROVED with 23 Yes, 6 No.

MR. BLUM made a Point of Personal Privilege. He asked if a final report came back from the Charter Revision Commission.

THE PRESIDENT said the question before the Board is to return to the Charter Revision Commission their proposed Charter amendments with the deletion that the Charter Revision Committee recommended. If this Board approves that, the Commission will come back within 15 days, and at our next week, we will vote on the final document for inclusion on our ballot in November. She responded to Mr. Blum's point that this is not final if we send it back. If we do not send it back, it is final.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on returning this to the Commission. APPROVED with 28 Yes, 4 No votes, and 1 Abstention.

MR. JOYCE said he has had his hand up for quite some time. He requests a Point of Personal Privilege. Of all the matters that have come before this Board, this is probably one of the most important and it is very unfortunate that under Parliamentary Procedure, one can Move the Question and it can be hammered through, as has happened here tonight. But it is very unfortunate that the Board members have not had an opportunity to listen and to discuss this matter more fully this evening, because he feels there could be some very serious questions involved here and the matter of information that Mr. Hogan might be able to impart to some of us who are still in the dark, but unfortunately we have passed that point, and it is hoped that before this is ultimately enacted, we will have the chance to get to the merits and discuss this.

THE PRESIDENT said that would occur at the next month's Board meeting, but even then, if there are enough votes to Move the Question, the question is moved, and there is no choice.

REQUEST TO SUSPEND THE RULES

MR. BLUM MOVED to Suspend the Rules to bring up an item out of order on the Agenda, Item #1 of the Personnel Committee on a labor contract. MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED by voice vote.

THE PRESIDENT said Mr. Donahue has left the floor for the purpose of this discussion. Mrs. McInerney asked the record to show that she will be leaving the floor, abstaining on this issue.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Chairman David I. Blum

- (1) RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN STAMFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION AND STAMFORD ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT, July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1983. Re-submitted by J. J. Morris, Asst. Supt., Personnel, Bd. of Educ. 6/17/81.

MR. BLUM said this was presented at our last meeting and was not ratified, and is before us in its fullest again and has not been changed. You have all received copies of the numerous questions that arose. The Agreement has Articles 1, 2, 3, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, and 18 that will not be affected by this Agreement. Articles 4, 5, 6, 8, and 12 are the Articles that ARE affected. They are salary, compensation, accident, sickness benefits, health insurance, modification of administrative structure, and early retirement.

Article 4, Salaries and Compensation. The first year, 1981 to 1982 is a 9.5% increase, which takes in all items which are fiscal in the contract, which could be salaries, insurance, medical benefits, and the increments.

Article 6, Accident and Sickness. The entire section has been re-done and it spells out specifically the benefits which are included. The maximum amount to be paid under this coverage by the Board of Education, the first year $75.1 \times 150 = 11,000$. This would be his health insurance. Year 2, $75.1 \times 1300 = 22,530$. Another cost in this provision will be for \$125 for a bi-ennial physical examination which is required by the Board of Education. This exam is expected to highlight the problems and might lead to the suggestions of early retirement.

Article 8, Reduction in Force (RIF). This article covers early retirement as suggestions of the Board and the Superintendent as a result of fund reduction or structure changes. Under the old clause, if an administrator position was eliminated, the administrator had to be placed in a teaching position, or if none were available, at the top of the list for the next opening. The new clause offers several options.

THE PRESIDENT said she must interrupt Mr. Blum as he has not yet made a Motion to ratify, or not ratify, and then he can proceed.

MR. BLUM said the Committee would like to make a Motion to accept the contract. It was approved 4-0 by the Committee. **SECONDED.**

THE PRESIDENT said Mr. Stork has arrived and there are now 34 members present.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that because the Administrators' Bonus comes at a time when the City is involved in a re-assessment process, no one can at this time forecast what impact such a very significant bonus funding could require of our City. She would vote for the proposed raise for the administrators, but she has reservations about this bonus provision yet, and she will therefore abstain on this issue.

MR. ROOS said regarding Article 8 Reduction in Force and he wonders if this is such a good idea. At age less than 46, we are going to pay a bonus of 85% of a year's salary, to be paid over a year of three years. We are asking people in their prime to retire. Later on it points out the advantages of these people retiring at, say, nearly top pay, and then others being hired at a lower salary at a big saving to the City. Here we are enticing some of our best-equipped people to retire and we are paying them 85% of a year's salary and replacing them with inexperienced people. I question this whole plan.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. ROOS continued to say that a man is in his prime in teaching at ages from 46 to 51, he feels. He himself started at 54, and thought he did all right. We are enticing people to leave, and they will go on to other teaching commitments, and still receive 85% of their salary from us, in addition. He does not think is a good idea.

MR. BLUM said that as long as the Board of Education will not reduce the number of administrators, namely, principals or assistant principals, or administrators of a program, you will not see a person of that age go into retirement.

MR. ZELINSKI asked if the other questions that were raised other than the salary were addressed by the committee, such as the \$125 for the physical exam, the City paying 50% of the medical insurance for three years for the early retirees, etc.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said all the questions were answered in the hand-out that was sent to all Board members.

MR. ZELINSKI said he read all of that but it contained no new material that had not already been sent by the Board of Finance previously, so it doesn't answer his question. He feels that once this is put in this contract, then the other unions will follow and request the same. It will then run into a lot of money. He does not feel taxpayers should subsidize physical examinations. He also questions the RIF provision whereby the early retiree would receive payment for three years of 85% of salary, and then get another job, and be paid by both. Also getting 50% of his medical coverage paid by the City for three years. If we approve this, other City unions would ask for this, and we would be bound to do it. Before a contract is in its final stages, this Board should be notified of any new provisions, and it would save time and money in considering ratification. He will abstain for those reasons, but ordinarily he would be for approval.

MRS. CONTI asked if there are other contracts which call for physical exams. She knows there is a part-time psychiatrist in the Police Department, and that policemen and firemen must take physicals, but she would like to know about others.

MR. BLUM said police and fire, due to the nature of their duties, require physicals. This is a requirement of the Board of Education. On the \$125, it states, he may. And if it costs more than \$125, the administrator must pay. On the RIF, he is getting 85% of his first year's salary and it is payable over a three-year period.

MR. DeLUCA MOVED the Question. SECONDED. CARRIED (voice vote).

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the ratification of the Administrators of the Board of Education contract. APPROVED with 29 yes votes, and 5 Abstentions.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Marie Hawe and Paul Esposito, Co-Chairpersons

- (1) \$220,000.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Code 810. - Program #35 OUT-OF-SCHOOL SYSTEM PLACEMENT - Additional Appropriation to cover costs for Special Education. B. Reed's letter 5/27/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above item also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MR. ESPOSITO said Fiscal met on Wednesday, July 1st. Present were Co-Chairperson Marie Hawe, Burtis Flounders, Anthony Conti, Robert Fauteux, Gerald Rybnick, John Hogan, and Paul Esposito.

MR. ESPOSITO put the following items on the CONSENT AGENDA: Items 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18B. The secondary committees concurred, where called for. Mrs. Signore abstained on all Health Department items.

MR. ESPOSITO said Item #1 for \$220,000.00 said that the Board of Education reported that as a result of their freeze and other cost-cutting efforts during the past six months, they do not need the \$220,000. They have saved that much money and the request is WITHDRAWN.

- (2) \$ 77,730.00 - HOUSING SITES DEVELOPMENT AGENCY - AMENDMENT TO 1981-82 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET by adding a project known as #727-077 PURCHASE OF NORTH STREET ELDERLY HOUSING PROJECT SITE to be financed by withdrawal from the Capital Non-Recurring Fund. Total purchase price of land is \$570,000. \$380,000 to be contributed by State, and \$110,000 by Community Development. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to PUBLIC HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

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

- (3) RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HOUSING SITES DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO MAKE APPLICATION TO STATE FOR \$380,497. FOR NORTH STREET ELDERLY HOUSING SITE. Letter 6/16/81 from Margot Wormser of Housing Authority.

MR. ESPOSITO said this item is also being HELD IN COMMITTEE for approval by the Environmental Protection Board, same as item #2 above.

- (4) \$ 6,477.00 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Code 114.1110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to cover standardization of personnel to comply with salary schedule as determined by Personnel Department. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above item also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

MR. ESPOSITO said Fiscal voted 4 in favor and one opposed, and one abstention, and he MOVES for approval. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM said Personnel concurred 4-0.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. CONTI said she would like to remind the members of the Board that the Commission on Aging is covering retroactive increases, but these people do not have any union contract. There is no contractual obligation to pay retroactive increases, and she feels that if they are going to get an increase, it should be effective as of the date it is passed. Nor are these people Civil Service employees, so the payment should not be retroactive.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #4. APPROVED by voice vote, with 3 No votes (Mr. Joyce, Mrs. Conti, Mr. Roos), and one abstention (Mr. Perillo.)

- (5) \$ 10,588.00 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Code 114.1110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to cover standardization of personnel to comply with salary schedule as determined by Personnel Dept. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above item also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (6) \$ 22,000.00 - STAMFORD YOUTH PLANNING AND COORDINATING AGENCY - CTE - Code 794.7551 PROJECT SUPPORT - Additional Appropriation for a program which provides tutorial, remedial and diagnostic services for approximately 20 disadvantaged youths. The program is Federally-funded through Connecticut Justice Commission which has granted \$19,926. The City is to contribute \$2,074. Mayor Clapes' letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MR. ESPOSITO said Fiscal voted 5 in favor and one opposed and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MRS. RINALDI said Education, Welfare and Government Committee concurs.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #6 for PROJECT SUPPORT. APPROVED (voice vote), with 2 No votes (Mrs. Conti and Mrs. Maihock.)

- (7) \$ 10,226.11 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Code 655.4150 MEN'S OPEN SOFTBALL - SELF-SUSTAINING PROGRAM. Additional Appropriation needed to continue on-going program. Mayor's letter 6/2/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (8) \$ 1,674.75 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Code 655.4160 - MEN'S INDUSTRIAL SOFTBALL - SELF-SUSTAINING PROGRAM. Additional Appropriation needed to continue on-going program. Mayor's letter 6/2/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (9) \$ 3,269.23 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Code 655.4170 - WOMEN'S SOFTBALL - SELF-SUSTAINING PROGRAM. Additional Appropriation needed to continue on-going program. Mayor's letter 6/2/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (10) \$ 215.50 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Code 655.4182 - SHORELINE SOFTBALL - SELF-SUSTAINING PROGRAM. Additional Appropriation needed to continue on-going program. Mayor's letter 6/2/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (11) \$ 6,371.20 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 550.1110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to cover amount required to pay accumulated vacation and sick days to estate of deceased employee. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above item also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA (Mrs. Signore abstaining.)

- (12) \$ 13,655.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 550.1110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to settle a grievance award granted by Arbitration Panel to six Sanitarrians. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA (Mrs. Signore abstaining.)

- (13) \$ 13,335.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 550.110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to adjust salaries of five Sanitarrians as result of grievance award. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA (Mrs. Signore abstaining.)

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (14) \$ 1,084.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Various Codes - Additional Appropriation required to correct errors in 1981/82 Budget. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Health 550.2650	New Equipment.	\$ 470.00
SHAPE 571.2740	Telephone.	120.00
SHAPE 571.1130	Part-Time Salaries.	494.00
		<u>\$1,084.00</u>

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA (Mrs. Signore abstaining.)

- (15) \$ 65,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF LAW - Code 230.5110 - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES - Additional Appropriation for service in connection with litigation on Sewage Treatment Plant. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (16) \$ 1,850.00 - WELFARE DEPARTMENT - SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE - Code 530.2720 - GAS AND ELECTRIC - Additional Appropriation to cover rate increase of utilities. Mayor's letter 6/2/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (17) \$ 1,000.00 - SEWER COMMISSION - 1981-82 Budget - Code 112.2922 POSTAGE - Additional Appropriation to cover postage to notify 650 property owners regarding sewer project Section 17-2A. Mayor's letter 6/1/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (18A) \$721,634.00 - RISK MANAGEMENT - DEPARTMENT #249. New account in 1981-82 (corrected) Operating Budget. Request to transfer \$728,800 (not (from) \$728,000) FROM Board of Education 1981-82 Operating Budget, (\$720,834.) Account #810.7110 TO:

<u>Fiscal Approved</u>	<u>Risk Management Department #249</u>
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\$33,770.	Code 249.1110 Salaries.	\$40,500.
834.	Code 249.1220 Car Allowance	1,000.
2,500.	Code 249.2650 New Equipment	2,500.
410.	Code 249.2740 Telephone	500.
410.	Code 249.2921 Printing.	500.
410.	Code 249.2930 Stationery & Postage.	500.
8,000.	Code 249.5160 Computer Service	8,000.
		\$ 53,500.

\$46,334.

GROUP 29 Account 1390

\$200,000.	City General Insurance	200,000.
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GROUP 29 Account 1392

\$475,300.	Self-Insurance Fund	475,300.
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\$721,634.

\$728,800.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. ESPOSITO said that Item #18A is a transfer on which the Board members have received numerous hand-outs and information, and a meeting was held on this. The reason it is not on Consent is that some of the numbers have been changed. The items as approved by the Board of Finance were based on a twelve-month basis, and the Fiscal Committee has reduced five of the items by 1/6, or 16.6% for a start-up date of September 1, 1981. The corrected amounts are shown above. The total reduction is \$7,166. Fiscal voted 6-0 and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM said Personnel concurred. However, Mr. Blum wanted to know if the amount in the salary account is for one person, or what.

MR. ESPOSITO said it was for the Risk Manager and a clerical person.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #18A. APPROVED by voice vote, unanimously.

(18B) \$375,000.00 - REQUEST TO TRANSFER \$375,000 in 1981-82 Operating Budget
(TRANSFER) as follows. Mayor's letter 6/8/81. Board of Finance ap-
proved 6/11/81.

TRANSFER FROM:

Law Department - Code 230.5901 - Settlement
of Non-Contract Claims \$375,000.

TRANSFER TO:

Group 29 Account 1392:

Self-Insurance Funds \$134,700.
General Fund 240,300. \$375,000.

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Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

(19) ~~-\$466,026.00~~ - BUREAU OF DATA PROCESSING - Code 245.071 NEW COMPUTER -
\$463,241.00 AMENDMENT TO 1980-81 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET, to be financed
(Mayor's new) by taxation. Mayor's letter 5/5/81. Board of Finance
(amount.) approved 6/11/81.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MR. ESPOSITO said this is for a new computer to be financed through taxation and is an amendment to the 1980-81 Capital Projects Budget. The Finance Department took the Fiscal Committee on a tour of the facilities and essentially what they found was that there are many labor-saving, cost-cutting efficiencies that can be accomplished by computers. The only problem with the current computer that the City is using is that it has reached its maximum feasible potential. As a result of that, and in order to bring on some new functions, to bring the Police Department's functions in line with the computer; also the Registrars of Voters, the Fire Department, The Bureau of Data Processing and the Finance Department is requesting the funds for a new computer. The current one is 8 years old. In the computer industry that is on the road to obsolescence.

MR. ESPOSITO continued on, saying that many of the functions of new computers are such that ours cannot perform them, which is the reason for this additional appropriation. Fiscal voted 5 in favor, none opposed, with one abstention, and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

MRS. RINALDI said EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT concurred.

MRS. CONTI MOVED to Return to Committee, as in the Republican Caucus Room, they looked at figures for leasing. SECONDED.

MRS. CONTI said they looked at leasing as opposed to purchase, and while this was not looked into at Fiscal, tonight it appeared possible that leasing might be more economical to lease because these things are obsolete so quickly. At the end of the leasing term, you are guaranteed a 75% refund on your rental if you replace the equipment, which is something we are not getting with the one we now have. We are lucky to get a \$10,000 turn-in reimbursement. Returning to Committee would permit a closer examination and comparison of costs.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said he would like to go back to committee in order to find out how many computers we have throughout the City all-told. If there are others, can we tie all of them into one giant computer, with terminals throughout the City, therefore getting economies in that manner. He would like to know what other agencies are tied into the City's computer and how does it work. He said to approve almost a half million dollars, close to 1/3 mill of our tax money, without some good hard answers to some of these questions, we would be remiss and he would like it to be recommitted to the Fiscal Committee.

MR. ESPOSITO said we do have one large computer which functions for the entire City, which includes the Board of Education which is already hooked into it, the Tax Collector, the Budget Officer, the Tax Assessor's Office. With a new computer, the hope is that they could bring in additional functions. One example is the Police Department. As far as outside agencies or authorities using the computer, we have no knowledge of that. If they do use it, they pay for its use.

MR. BLUM said based on the beautiful report that the Mayor gave us this evening about the fiscal standing of this City, he believes that we should re-commit to look for something in the way of leasing this equipment and get it much cheaper.

MR. BLAIS asked did they consider what the cost of programming the new computer would be, as the cost of new programming for a new computer, or re-programming what you have can be substantial.

MR. ESPOSITO said the total operating costs would increase by approximately \$14,000 a year over what we pay for the computer we currently have in service.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Re-committing to Fiscal, Item \$19 for further study, mainly looking into leasing. APPROVED with 23 Yes votes, 6 No votes, and 5 Abstentions.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

- (20) \$75,000.00 - AMENDMENT TO 1980-81 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LaGUARDIA PROPERTY ADJACENT TO CARWIN PARK FOR USE AS OPEN SPACE. Originally passed by the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives with understanding that City would pay 25% of purchase price. The State Bond Commission has informed the City that they will only pay 25%. Mayor's letter 6/2/81.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

MR. ESPOSITO said Item #20 was WITHDRAWN.

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED to SUSPEND THE RULES to bring up an item not on the Agenda. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (21) RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR GRANT OF \$5,992.00 FOR SUMMER BUSING PROGRAM FOR BOARD OF RECREATION TO TAKE YOUNGSTERS ON BUS TRIPS TO STATE PARKS, BEACHES, ETC. Grant under Title XX, per Mayor's letter 6/25/81.

MR. ESPOSITO said this money has been received by the City as a grant from the Title XX to provide 19 trips on 43 buses serving over 1,200 youths. The trips will be to Squantz Pond, Sherwood Island, Kiltown and Indian Wells. Fiscal voted 5 in favor and one opposed and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

Motion was made to Waive the report of the secondary committee. Seconded. Carried.

MRS. GUROIAN asked has the grant been applied for, has it been accepted, what is the status?

MR. ESPOSITO said this is a Resolution authorizing the signing of an agreement with the Connecticut Department of Human Resources. Monies are available.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #21. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote (Mrs. Conti) and one abstention (Mr. Donahue).

REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF RULES

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED to SUSPEND THE RULES to bring up an item not on the Agenda. SECONDED. CARRIED.

- (22) \$ 4,767.12 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM. Code 560.1110 SALARIES - Additional Appropriation to cover payment for unused sick days to a Dental Hygienist who will retire in June/81. Mayor's letter 4/23/81. Board of Finance approved 5/14/81. Held in Committee 6/1/81.

MR. ESPOSITO said this item was Returned to Committee last month and was inadvertently left off the agenda. Fiscal voted in favor, none opposed. SECONDED.

Secondary committee report waived; MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #22 for \$4,767.12. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention (Mrs. Signore).

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED for the approval of the CONSENT AGENDA items #5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18B. SECONDED. APPROVED with Mrs. Signore abstaining on all Health Department items.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - Co-Chairmen John R. Zelinski & Anthony Conti

MR. ZELINSKI said his Committee met on Monday, June 29, 1981 in the Legislative Chambers. Present were Reps. Michael Wiederlight, Everett Pollard, Donald Donahue, Richard Fasanelli, David Blum, Co-Chairmen Anthony Conti and John Zelinski. Also present were Reps. Audrey Maihock, Paul Esposito, Burtis Flounders, John Hogan and Mary Lou Rinaldi. Also attending were Attorney Dichter, Purchasing Agent Thomas Canino, Finance Commissioner Oscar Hoffman, and Susan Brewster, the Grants Officer.

MR. ZELINSKI proposed the following items for the CONSENT AGENDA: #2, #4, and #5.

- (1) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 313 WHICH BANNED SELF-SERVICE GASOLINE STATIONS IN STAMFORD. Requested by John Mitovich and John Zelinski. Held in Committee 2/2/81, 3/2, 5/4/81. Recommited 6/1/81.

MR. ZELINSKI said they had a public hearing and six people attended: former Rep. Armen Guroian; Walter Anchor, a Shell dealer in Stamford; and Frank Honk, also a Shell dealer in Stamford; Walter Zukowski, and Herman Kappel, and Mr. Wayne Konitshek, Executive Director of the Connecticut Retailers' Assn. The Committee first 2 in favor of final adoption, and 5 against; and then they voted 5 in favor and one against to HOLD IN COMMITTEE.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said one of the reasons they voted to keep this in Committee for another month was to determine if the insurance companies had any feelings either way with regard to liability insurance, repeat, liability insurance, with regard to self-service versus full-service. He has called some of the insurance underwriters the past couple of days in Hartford that service the New England area.

THE PRESIDENT asked if Mr. Wiederlight had a motion to make, other than the fact Mr. Zelinski stated the Committee voted to Hold in Committee.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT MOVED TO TAKE OUT OF COMMITTEE. SECONDED. These underwriters have indicated there is no appreciable difference in their underwriting self-service versus full-service with regard to liability, garage liability rates, and their underwriting of it.

MR. POLLARD is in favor of taking this out of committee, which has been there since February. All of the facets of the issue have been discussed, and he is in favor of repealing the ordinance.

MR. ESPOSITO MOVED THE QUESTION. There were no other speakers, so the point was moot.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Taking Out of Committee, Item #1. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY by voice vote.

MRS. McINERNEY said that personal attacks as have been made on several Representatives through various pieces of literature serve no purpose. They only cloud the issue. She MOVED for acceptance of the final adoption. SECONDED. She is not averse to anyone disagreeing with anyone else on principle. However when one reduces to a level of personality rather than merit, it seems to cloud the issue and serves no purpose, and only belittles the person from which it comes, not to the one to which it was sent. The safety issue was not one that could be proven or certified from the many sources they contacted. It should never have been enacted in 1975. She urged repeal of the banning of self-service stations.

MR. ZELINSKI said of the six attending the meeting, five were in favor of repealing the ordinance and one against. In Greenwich and Norwalk, gasoline prices vary as much as 8¢ a gallon cheaper in self-service than in a regular station. The public should have the right of selection. He referred to Mr. Konitshek's letter of June 26th, taking exception to being referred to as "SACIA's little darling". He also spoke of Mr. Zukowski's letter which was on each desk tonight, making a very strong case for the repeal of this ordinance. Mr. Zelinski urges repealing the ban on self-service stations.

MRS. SANTY MOVED the Question. SECONDED. CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote L&R Item #1 to repeal the ban on self-service stations. It was APPROVED with a vote of 25 yes, 4 No, and 4 Abstentions.

MR. ZELINSKI said he inadvertently forgot to mention that Rep. Audrey Maihock was present at his committee meeting.

- (2) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL FOR TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-81 (15) and 12-81 (b) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR BETHANY ASSEMBLY CHURCH LOCATED AT 2 SCOFIELDTOWN ROAD. Submitted by Rev. Ralph Mugford, April, 1981. Approved for publication 6/1/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (3) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDING CODE SECTION 14-17(h) of the Code of Ordinances re: building operations time changes, changing from 7:00 A.M. to 8:30 A.M., and from 8:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. Submitted by Rep. Zelinski 4/20/81. Held in Committee 6/1/81.

MR. ZELINSKI said the Committee voted to amend the time to read 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M., and the vote was 4 in favor with one abstention. The first amendment would be to change the hours of building operation to 8:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

MR. WIDER asked if these new amended hours have been published, and if not, he feels they should be, being a substantial change.

THE PRESIDENT said what will appear in the newspaper, if this is approved, will be the normal publication that follows final adoption of an ordinance. She agrees with Mr. Wider that this would be a significant change and warrants republication.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES (continued)

MR. BLUM said he thought it would be preferable to have the hours restricted to read FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT suggested that Mr. Blum hold his suggested amendment until it was determined whether Mr. Zelinski's amendment was approved or not.

MS. SUMMERVILLE asked if Mr. Zelinski would tell her what was the rationale behind changing the hours.

MR. POLLARD said he suggested the amendment in Committee, who approved it; that the current ordinance was not measuring up satisfactorily to the public. The recommended change was too severe, and he took the middle course and suggested those hours as a compromise and more reasonable.

MR. BLAIS asked why the amendment is so general in nature. Having worked in construction himself, he knows of trades which do not generate noise or are obnoxious and can operate early in the morning and later in the evening. He feels we are unduly restricting commercial enterprise. Painting and installation of lighting fixtures do not make a lot of noise. He feels the committee should have been more exact in their wording of the proposal, such as the prevention of operation of heavy equipment.

MR. ZELINSKI read the entire Section which should clarify Mr. Blais' questions. He spoke to people in the construction industry and unions and there was no objection to the hours proposed. Emergency situations can be handled also.

MR. DeLUCA spoke to some union officials and they agreed 8:00 A.M. is when most union employees start work, and 4:00 P.M. is the regular quitting time. He supports the Committee's proposed new time limits.

MR. BOCCUZZI is personally against changing the ordinance. If the contractor wished to start before 8:00 A.M., he would have to get the consent of the unions, but now we are saying they must also get the consent of the City to work outside the specified hours. Have they considered the effect on construction where pieces of large equipment are hired by the day. He doesn't know if downtown construction has affected any people living there, if work is started early and finished late. However, he does not feel the construction industry's hands should be tied and he will vote against any amendments, or even repeal of the ordinance.

MRS. McINERNEY asked what is the Committee's definition of "residential district". Does this ordinance cover building operations throughout the entire City, or, as some of the speakers have indicated the term "downtown". Is this for all of Stamford.

MR. ZELINSKI said the ordinance states in a residential or business district, which means the entire City.

MRS. McINERNEY said her other question was does this ordinance exclude weekend activity in residential areas, on Saturdays and Sundays.

MR. ZELINSKI said his reading of the ordinance does not specify which days, or weekends; it speaks only to the hours of a day and evening.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES (continued)

MRS. MCINERNEY also asked if the Committee considered some of the sometimes allegedly illegal type of excavation and construction on weekends, i.e., septic without permits, things of that nature.

MR. ZELINSKI said they did not.

MRS. MCINERNEY thought it might be wise to return this item to committee so that issue could be addressed at this time. She so MOVED. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT said discussion will now be limited to this issue of returning to committee and instructions to the committee.

MR. FASANELLI does not feel it should go back to committee to consider illegal diggings relating to septic tanks on early weekend mornings. A public hearing was held by the committee and they have made their recommendations, and we should vote for or against it now.

MR. ZELINSKI would prefer it not be returned to committee but voted on tonight. Mrs. McInerney has made a good point, but it should be treated as a separate ordinance.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Returning to Committee for further study as per Mrs. McInerney's questions. The Motion was DEFEATED with 8 yes votes, 15 No votes, and 8 abstentions.

MR. ROOS wonders why we are doing this? At 7:00 A.M., some companies have men come in to prepare for a job and some noise might be entailed. He is opposed to changing the hours at all.

MR. DIXON asked just what was the scope of this amendment. Does it include repairs and alterations. Is it limited or restricted only to contractors and builders.

MR. ZELINSKI said it states: The erection, including excavation, demolition, alteration, or repair of any building in a residential or business district.

MR. DIXON said then this would apply to certain homeowners who choose to do certain types of their own repair work and alterations, evenings and early mornings.

MR. ZELINSKI said yes, sir.

MR. DIXON said he sees no need for the amendment. It imposes a hardship not only on the working man, but also on homeowners, and people doing small repair jobs. From experience, he knows that many people doing certain types of repair work on buildings have to work during the cool hours of the day, especially during the summer. You see very little roof work being done during the heat of the day.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said he feels he can answer Mr. Roos' question as to why this is before the Board. Three people called up Mr. Zelinski and told him there was some noise being made with some sewer construction, and he has come forth with this ordinance. He feels no district has had more sewer work done than his own 16th district but he has received no complaints from his constituents. He doesn't know if we really need this ordinance.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES (continued)

MRS. CONTI is opposed to restricting the homeowner from making vital repairs on his property at any hour. Would it be possible to amend this to make it commercial excavation, demolition, etc. The homeowner, who has a job, must do his repairs when time permits. She would be opposed to that, unless it is amended to cover commercial construction.

MR. DZIEZYC said it would impose a hardship on the contractors and the individual homeowners. He is opposed to it.

MRS. PERILLO MOVED the Question. SECONDED. CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT said the question now before the Board is to change the hours from 7:00 A.M. TO 8:00 A.M., and to change 8:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M. She called for a vote. DEFEATED with 4 Yes votes, 24 No votes, and 3 Abstentions.

THE PRESIDENT said let the record show that Mr. Kunsaw, Mr. Hogan, and Mrs. Hawe have left, and the Assembly now has 31 members present.

MR. ZELINSKI MOVED for Final Adoption of this ordinance. SECONDED. The present ordinance on the books permits a 13-hour day. Does anyone here know of a construction company that works a straight 13-hour day? We are proposing taking 1½ hours off each end, making it 10 hours per day. It was not intended to hinder or jeopardize anyone's occupation. He did get three calls in his district, two from elderly people and one from a disabled, handicapped person, who were disturbed by the early construction going on in their immediate vicinity. He asks that the Board consider the public. The early 7:00 A.M. starting is the most offensive, and he would not object to the later evening hours. Since most trades start at 8:00 A.M., there is really no limiting them. Give the public some consideration, and it can happen in other districts, too.

MR. WIDER said factories run double shifts, like Yale & Towne where he once worked and that is in a residential area. This is not necessary and he will vote against the ordinance.

MRS. PERILLO MOVED the Question. SECONDED. CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the Final Adoption of the ordinance amending Section 14-17 (h) as it appears on the Agenda. DEFEATED with one yes vote, 26 No votes, and 4 abstentions.

- (4) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL CONCERNING THE 3-YEAR LEASE AGREEMENT between City of Stamford and Committee on Training and Employment (CTE) for the South End Community Center. Mayor's letter 4/30/81. Board of Finance approved 6/11/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

- (5) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL FOR TAX EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-81 (15) and 12-81 (b) OF THE GENERAL STATUTES FOR TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH at 20 BROOKDALE ROAD. Submitted by Att. Dichter of Brenna, Dichter, Brennan & Comerford 5/27/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES (continued)

(6) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO ESTABLISH THE POSITION OF RISK MANAGER. Mayor's letter 6/18/81.

MR. ZELINSKI said the Committee made one change, on Page 2, Section 5. It now reads "The City shall announce the availability of this position by public advertisement at least ten days before a candidate is chosen in at least one newspaper of general circulation." The Committee voted to change the 10 days to 30 days. He so MOVES. SECONDED.

MR. FLOUNDERS asked what was the rationale in making this change, or is this just a gratuitous change?

MR. ZELINSKI said the Committee felt sufficient time was needed between the time the advertisement appeared in the newspaper and the candidate sent in his application, was interviewed, and a specific candidate was chosen. That was the rationale. If many applications are received, there must be adequate time to process them properly.

MR. POLLARD said to further answer Mr. Flounders, they discussed the matter with both Mr. Canino and Dr. Hoffman, and both agreed that 30 days would be a more appropriate period of time.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT MOVED the Question. SECONDED. CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT said the question is to amend the ordinance to read 30 days rather than 10 days. She called for a voice vote and it CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. ZELINSKI then MOVED for PUBLICATION. SECONDED.

MR. BLUM could not attend the meeting as he had other commitments. He wondered if full research was done on this item. Just because two people, Mr. Canino and Dr. Hoffman were there, asking for this unclassified job, an appointed job, is this Board going to confirm this particular job, and he hears it is. Secondly, he MOVED to RE-COMMIT this for further research. SECONDED. His reason that this is a personnel item, and when he asked about staffing, Mr. Esposito told him the clerk-typist would be a classified job. After asking some questions, his understanding is that they want to be able to control this Risk Manager. Who is "they"? For five years, they are going to control one man? That is his reason to put back into committee - to research this item.

MRS. CONTI said she supports this going back to Personnel to study this point.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT said this matter should not be put back into committee. Thorough research was done by the Fiscal Committee, the Legislative and Rules Committee, and much discussion went on in the Personnel Committee, of which Mr. Blum is the Chairman, on the Risk Manager's position and on the City's insurance. A thorough study was done by the Risk Planning Group, who are insurance consultants. The City paid about \$27,000 for this Study. We all received their report. To put this back in committee is taking two steps backward in the City's insurance.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES (continued)

MR. FLOUNDERS said he, too, attended the meeting, and if all the programs that were enacted in the City were as well researched, and as thoroughly considered as this Total Risk Management Program, we would be in very, very good shape in the City. We definitely need a Risk Manager. It is a prudent part of the program, not only to make the transition into the new structure, the new insurance structure which is going to save the City money, but the Risk Manager, himself or herself, can indeed make an important contribution in keeping the risks down and to see that the City is well-covered in the future, which would be in contrast to the kind of coverage we have had in the past, which in some cases has been inadequate, and in other cases, such as in the Board of Education, has been over-kill. This is one instance where I feel the homework has been done for the Board. All the Board need do is support it, because it is prudent and those of us who attended the meeting were thoroughly convinced.

MR. ROOS said he also attended that meeting, and when you think of what we had in insurance before, and what, hopefully, we will get is well worth having a Risk Manager. When you think that we were paying Agents actual fees for not doing anything. They were dividing the Agency fees and one was doing the work. It is beyond belief, the system we had. We are now going to over-come this, so let's get on with it.

MRS. McINERNEY asked, in the interests of expediting matters, that we WAIVE PUBLICATION.

THE PRESIDENT that can be done once they have resolved the issue of sending it back to committee.

MR. BLUM said the remark was made that we had the consultants do the work for us, did the research for us, and therefore, we do not have to send it back to committee. That was Mr. Wiederlight's remark. There have been many studies made, let us forget names, and they never used those studies that we paid dearly for. Here's another study, and they are saying this is what we should do. Let them do it, and they may have to admit to their mistake.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on sending Item #6 back to committee. Voice vote indicated the NAYS had it, and it will not be sent back to committee. DEFEATED.

MRS. McINERNEY MOVED to WAIVE PUBLICATION of this proposed ordinance. SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI asked his colleagues not to waive publication as the reasons for waiving publication are generally if a dire emergency exists, and this is not the case. Publication should not be omitted.

MR. WIEDERLIGHT asked why Mrs. McInerney wished to waive publication.

MRS. McINERNEY said it was her understanding from an earlier report that it was of the utmost importance to get this passed. If it is not, she will rescind her Motion. She asked Mr. Esposito if he agrees that publication should be waived to expedite this, or did she misunderstand, and we should only have publication.

MR. ESPOSITO said they did not look into that issue as it did not concern them.

MRS. McINERNEY withdrew her Motion, as did the Seconder.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the publication of the ordinance to establish the position of Risk Manager, as amended. APPROVED by voice vote, with 2 abstentions, Mrs. Conti and Mr. Blum.

MR. ZELINSKI MOVED the three items on the CONSENT AGENDA - #2, #4, #5. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Chairman David I. Blum

- (1) RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN STAMFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION AND STAMFORD ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT.

See Page 15 of these Minutes when this item was considered by the Board. APPROVED with 29 yes votes, and 5 abstentions, see page 16.

- (2) REPORT REGARDING THE CHANGE OF JOB SPECIFICATIONS AS RELATES TO OUTSIDE PRACTICE FOR POSITION OF DEPUTY CORPORATION COUNSEL.
Submitted by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi 6/5/81.

MR. BLUM said his report is very short. The Committee met July 1, 1981 and they listened to the respondents, mainly Majority Leader Boccuzzi, Barry Jay Boodman, and Personnel Director Sim Bernstein. As a result of that, they voted 4-0 to HOLD IN COMMITTEE and come back with written questions to send to the Personnel Director.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - Chairman Donald T. Donahue

MR. DONAHUE^{said} the Committee met last Wednesday with Mrs. Guroian, Mr. Wider, and Mr. Donahue in attendance. Items 1 through 4 are HELD IN COMMITTEE pending certification and inspection. Item #5 is HELD IN COMMITTEE pending an amendment.

- (1) ACCEPTANCE OF BUTTERNUT LANE as a City Street - Submitted by City Engineer Wm. Sabia 5/14/81.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (2) ACCEPTANCE OF MALIBU ROAD as a City Street - Submitted by City Engineer Wm. Sabia 5/14/81.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (3) ACCEPTANCE OF CHATHAM ROAD as a City Street - Submitted by City Engineer Wm. Sabia 5/14/81.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (4) ACCEPTANCE OF NORTHWOOD LANE as a City Street - Submitted by City Engineer Wm. Sabia 5/14/81.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

PLANNING AND ZONING (continued)

- (5) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL TO CONTROL AND REGULATE EXCAVATION, FILLING AND GRADING. Submitted by Rep. McInerney 6/16/81.

HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (6) PURSUANT TO SECTION 640 OF THE CHARTER, PETITION TO DISCONTINUE ALLYN PLACE AS A PUBLIC HIGHWAY. Letter from Atty. E. Gaynor Brennan, Jr., 6/18/81, enclosing "Notice of Intent".

MR. DONAHUE said #6 is a resolution regarding the discontinuance of Allyn Place as a public highway, and the Committee voted 3 in favor and none opposed, they recommend approval. MOVED. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT said Mr. Livingston has now joined the meeting, and we now have 32 members present.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #6 approving the petition regarding Allyn Place.

MR. BLUM asked how many residents are now on Allyn Place, as he recalls people living there.

MR. DONAHUE said currently all the properties adjoining Allyn Place have been purchased by Trizec-Stamford-Goldfeld Company. They will be sole landowners, if they are not already, who are affected by this discontinuance, and they have petitioned for it. He would also add that this does not commit us to anything other than the Mayor submitting a report recommending either approval or denial of the discontinuance of Allyn Place as a City Street.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote. APPROVED by voice vote UNANIMOUSLY.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Co-Chairmen Alfred Perillo and Everett Pollard

- (1) MATTER OF ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTING. Requested by Mayor 1/27/81.

MR. PERILLO said due to previous commitments by the Public Works Commissioner, the Committee did not meet this month. However, Mr. Perillo did meet with the Commissioner on different occasions, and he would like to give a minority report on the issue of the matter of additional street lighting.

MR. PERILLO had a letter of transmittal from the Commissioner: "Please be advised that the City has authorized no additional street light installations during the last year and a half. There has been no exception to this. This month, I have before the Board of Finance the transfer of \$60,000 into this account because utility costs for the last four months have exceeded our budget for the year. Based on cost escalation and the fact that HELCO is before the PUCA for an additional 19% increase, I know that our budget for 1981-82 will be insufficient.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. PERILLO said Commissioner Spaulding goes on to say: "While I sympathize with many of your requests for more street lighting, I have not approved any street lights since I have assumed office. I believe that you are aware that the Mayor has requested that the Board of Representatives name a committee to study this matter, and I assure you that you are aware that Public Works has requested an Utilities Representative in this year's budget, twice turned down by the Board of Finance, and that position is requested before ^{my} next year's Operating Budget. One of the functions of this individual is to reduce street lighting costs, and to evaluate where they are most critically needed, and then install the most cost-efficient types. Now, after that becomes a fact, then we can go out to requests from different Representatives for street lighting. Until then, there is no action taken by the City."

MR. PERILLO said that is from the Public Works Commissioner.

THE PRESIDENT said that she would like to indicate that she, as Chair, would ask the Public Works Committee to discuss with the Commissioner and the Mayor the philosophical problem that seems to be facing the administration as to whether it is desirable to have additional street lighting.

MR. PERILLO said fine, but their position again is that he is seeking a Utilities Representative who will do this study for the City and determine where can we save and where can we add; and until he gets that, he will meet with the Committee at any time we so choose; but this time he happened to be committed to another City agency.

THE PRESIDENT said she did receive a letter several months ago from the Mayor and in the letter from the Mayor, or the Public Works Commissioner, it was indicated that they would not take a position in this regard until a special committee designated by the President of the Board met in this regard. And I am designating the Public Works Committee to meet with them because I feel the Public Works Committee of this Board is best equipped to do that. And if they are stating they will not move until this philosophical issue, these are the additional lights, is resolved, then I think we ought to resolve it.

MR. PERILLO said he would handle it as requested by the President.

MRS. MAIHOCK said this particular issue affects her district, and she has had requests from her constituents for street lights for purposes of safety. If you drive into the North Country at night, you will find there are very few lights. If you drive around the City, as I do on my way home at night, the City streets are well-lighted downtown. This situation must be resolved because there are places in North Stamford that must have street lights for safety reasons.

MRS. SANTY said about a year and a half ago, she and Mrs. Signore requested ONE street light on one street that was very, very dark. They had one, but they needed another one for safety reasons, vandalism, etc. She met with the Public Works Commissioner several times and the answer was No, and he is not putting in any street lights, and these people all signed a petition because everyone in the neighborhood has to agree before one street light can be put in. They all practically begged for it, but he said No. I wish that Mr. Perillo would find the answer to this. Because it seems to me if everyone wants it on that street and there is safety, and proven vandalism, they should be able to get it as taxpayers.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. BLAIS said he can understand the need for street lights in the various districts, but he has a concern about the types of street lights going in. He would like direct instruction given to the Committee to look into the hazards of sodium lights. It is known that they kill plants, but it is not known what they do to people.

THE PRESIDENT said that someone who speaks that way, who has just joined the Board, has a tendency to be placed on the Committee. She will discuss this with Mr. Blais after the meeting and she is delighted to know he has an interest in this area.

MR. ZELINSKI said he, too, asked for ONE street light in his district, and it was not forthcoming. This is something that must be addressed, and must be addressed now.

THE PRESIDENT said she is pleased that the Board has had an opportunity to briefly discuss this. It certainly appears to be of deep concern here, and if the philosophical issue can just be resolved, perhaps then they can get to the practical issue.

MR. PERILLO said they would have a Committee meeting on this subject.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Chairwoman Jeanne-Lois Santy

- (1) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL ADOPTING REGULATIONS RESTRICTING USE OF WATER DURING WATER SHORTAGE. Submitted by Mayor Clapes. Held in Committee since January, 1981.

MRS. SANTY said the Committee is aware of the water shortage, and as of today, we have 67% (Mr. Perillo said 71%) at 4:00 P.M. (at 6:30 news, he said it was 71%). They had two meetings this month and they hope to have the ordinance in the hands of the Board next month for action at the September meeting.

- (2) REPORT ON CREATION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE DEPARTMENT.

MRS. SANTY said there is no report on this item.

- (3) MATTER OF AGENT ORANGE VICTIMS. Submitted by Rep. Lois Santy May, 1981.

MRS. SANTY said they met twice this month, on June 24th and June 30th. On June 30th, members attending were Reps. Mildred Perillo, David Blum, and Lois Santy. Paul Dziezyc and Pat Joyce were both out-of-town. Roger Pappas and James Sparrow gave their presentation to the COMMITTEE on AGENT ORANGE VICTIMS INTERNATIONAL. Mr. Pappas is vice-president of the national and international group, and James Sparrow is president of the Connecticut Chapter. It is a non-profit, humanitarian organization dedicated to seeking out and helping Viet Nam veterans and their families who have been affected by AGENT ORANGE, other name is DIOXIN. This organization was founded in Stamford by Paul Reuthersham, a Stamford native, who died of cancer at age 28. These gentlemen run the Connecticut Chapter and information clearing house from their home and are seeking help from the City. It was a very informative discussion. What the Committee recommends is that they give their presentation to the Health Commission, the Environmental Protection Board, and the local service clubs to see what help they can get in that category. This will stay in Committee awaiting a report back from them, probably by late Fall. On your desk

HEALTH AND PROTECTION (continued)

MRS. SANTY continuing regarding AGENT ORANGE: tonight, apparently Mr. Sparrow distributed to everyone literature on the subject. We are also all invited at any time to that address on Cove Road to visit and see what the action is going on. The little orange ribbon on your microphones put on by a little angel denotes the orange band around the chemical Dioxin, in memory of all the veterans that died in the Viet Nam War or had problems with that.

On June 24th, members attending the meeting were Reps. Mildred Perillo, Paul Dziezyc, David Blum, and Lois Santy. Also present were John Boccuzzi, Corporation Counsel Len Cookney, and Dolphin Cove residents representing their association, Elizabeth and Dura Sweeney and Werner Gubelin.

(4) REPORT ON DOPHIN COVER WATER SUPPLY. Submitted by Rep. Boccuzzi 6/5/81.

MRS. SANTY said after a lengthy discussion and information from Corporation Counsel, it was decided that Rep. Boccuzzi and myself would meet with Corporation Counsel and the Public Works Commissioner, and that meeting is scheduled for this Wednesday at four o'clock. This item will stay in committee until next month.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Chairman Robert "Gabe" DeLuca

MR. DeLUCA said his committee met on Tuesday, June 30th. Attending the meeting were Reps. Pollard, Rinaldi, Perillo and DeLuca. Items #2 and #5 are MOVED to the CONSENT AGENDA.

Mr. DeLuca said that the new Traffic Director, Jim Ford, has assured him that on August 1st, the new banner poles will be installed at Latham Park, so we will now have two locations at which to hang banners.

(1) MATTER OF MEETING WITH THE POLICE, PARK COMMISSION AND RECREATION COMMISSION IN REGARD TO PRESERVING OUR PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.
Submitted by Rep. Robert "Gabe" DeLuca 6/9/81.

MR. DeLUCA said they had a meeting, and in attendance were Supt. of Parks Bob Cook, Recreation Supt. Bruno Giordano, Acting Chief Considine, and Captain D'Agostino. He has a report which outlines some of the problems discussed and he will hand it to Mrs. McEvoy to reproduce and send to all members of the Board, as well as the others who attended the meeting. It is getting late so he will not read it now.

(2) REQUEST FROM PEOPLE'S SAVINGS BANK TO HANG BANNER ON SUMMER ST. FROM JULY 30th through AUGUST 30th - REGARDING THE J. WALTER KENNEDY MEMORIAL CITY AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP. Submitted by Jas. D. Polito 6/9/81.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

PARKS AND RECREATION (continued)

- (3) RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION OF LAWN AVENUE PARK FROM PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO THE PARKS DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 6-17 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY. Mayor's letter 6/3/81.

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee voted 4 in favor and none opposed to HOLD IN COMMITTEE for another month, based on recommendations of Parks Supt. Bob Cook and Recreation Supt. Bruno Giordano, because they are still having a problem with the rubber matting at the park completed. Rather than us taking over the park and using City funds, the Community Development funds can be used to do this, so it is being held.

- (4) FEEES FOR PARKING PERMITS FOR CARS AT CITY PARKS ON A ONE (1) DAY BASIS FOR EMPLOYEES OF CORPORATIONS HEADQUARTERED IN STAMFORD. Letter from E. Condon, Parks Dept. Business Manager 6/22/81.

MR. DeLUCA said everyone received a letter from Supt. Cook whereby any corporation who wishes to sponsor a picnic at our City parks, will be issued a one-day parking permit, limited to 50 such permits to be issued for any one day for any one park, and the fee will be ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00). The Committee voted 4 in favor, none opposed, to approve this fee, and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on Item #4. APPROVED by voice vote unanimously.

MR. DeLUCA MOVED for approval of the CONSENT AGENDA: Items 2 and 5. CARRIED. SECONDED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

- (5) REQUEST FROM KIWANIS CLUB OF STAMFORD TO HANG BANNER ON SUMMER ST. FROM AUGUST 1st to AUGUST 22, 1981, ON KIWANIS YOUTH THEATRE PRESENTATION OF "FINIAN'S RAINBOW" - submitted by John H. Roos, 10th Dist. Rep.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA.

THE PRESIDENT thanked Mr. DeLuca, and said that this Board is in receipt of many reports from him over many months, and the kind of work he does behind the scenes and informs the Board of, is very welcome.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Chairman Robert Fauteux

NO REPORT.

SEWER COMMITTEE - Chairman Michael Wiederlight

NO REPORT.

PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Co-Chairmen Wider & Darer

- (1) INQUIRY INTO AUDITOR'S REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AS IT RELATES TO SUCH PRACTICES AS VACATIONS, COMPENSATORY TIME, AND WAGE INCREASES FOR NON-CIVIL SERVANTS. Submitted by Rep. Blum 5/12/81.

MR. WIDER said his committee met on June 10th. Invited guests at that meeting were Mayor Clapes, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Cookney, and Mr. Ruzzkowski; also Ms. Mitchell, Mr. Farina, and Bob Johnson. Members of the Board present were: Reps. John Zelinski, Sandra Goldstein, David Blum, John Kunsaw. Committee members were: Handy Dixon, John Roos, Annie Summerville, Stanley Darer, and Lathon Wider.

MR. WIDER said he had Barbara Miller, the Researcher, do some research in three cities: Norwalk, Bridgeport, and Stamford, and she brought back a report. He asked her to make a report on how Community Development was organized and she did that, and he has that report if anyone wants to see it.

All the pros and cons of the Internal Audit Report were discussed, and Mr. Wider said there were many questions and many answers given. And weighing out the fact that there was no City personnel policy given to Ms. Mitchell in the organization of the Community Development Program, we find that she had been able to develop and carry out a fantastic program by bringing in well-qualified people, including one of those people who is now working in Washington, D.C. in the Office of Budget and Management.

After listening to the total pros and cons of the audit, the committee voted 4 in favor and 1 abstention that there be no further investigation of the Stamford Community Development Program.

MR. ZELINSKI said he is not a little concerned; he is very concerned at the conduct of the co-chairmen of this particular committee on this particular item. First of all, a notice was sent out on May 21st to just the members of their committee and to the Town Clerk. It was not sent out, as has been the practice and policy of this Board, to each and every Representative of every committee meeting of this 16th Board of Representatives.

MR. ZELINSKI said, secondly, when he arrived there that evening, he was handed an agenda and format, which said that each of the people invited there would have five minutes of presentation, and then "The Public and Housing Committee will direct questions to the invited officials; then when the Committee has completed its questions, any person who has further questions to ask, will write them on paper and pass them to the chairpersons to be read. All questions must refer to a page in the audit to make it easier to respond to."

MR. ZELINSKI said this is an outrage and he was personally insulted at that meeting. He had never recalled, since he has been on this Board of Representatives, that any committee that any member of the Board attended, had to put a question in writing before they could have that question answered. He is very upset. He was not allowed to ask questions. He had to put them in writing to begin with. When he wanted to follow up with a second question, he was told to be quiet, and it was very insulting, and that is not the way a committee of this Board should operate. He would also like to mention that both co-chairmen of that committee were highly prejudiced; they did not want the inquiry to begin with; in Steering, they voted against it; and throughout the

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MR. ZELINSKI, continuing: whole time that Mr. Zelinski was there, which was approximately two hours, the Auditor was cross-examined and belittled about his report, rather than questioning the Community Development Director Nancy Mitchell regarding the points that were raised by the Auditor. Also Commissioner Hoffman was admonished to a smaller degree asking why he even asked for the audit in the first place, and why aren't other City Departments audited. That wasn't the purpose of the Steering Committee setting up to have this particular item on the Agenda, and the inquiry. The whole thing is a white-wash and Mr. Zelinski finds it personally insulting that it came to the point, after two hours, of being frustrated and not being able to talk, that he left the meeting. He hopes that the President and the Leadership of the Board will see to it that the co-chairmen of that committee will never repeat this sort of thing.

MR. WIDER said he read the agenda to the committee, and they voted to adopt the agenda, and they proceeded according to the agenda. That was done because they had an audit of some 300 pages and they had to know to whom to direct the questions to answer, and this was an attempt to run an orderly meeting instead of having^a chaotic meeting like some have. It really turned into that anyway, because some people insisted.

MR. LIVINGSTON said the only thing that really disturbs him is that some of the comments that were made, if any members are frustrated at a meeting, or something like that, that should have been brought up in the Caucus Room, or that the President herself should have been told about this. We have had committee meetings before with the committee requesting that the questions be asked in writing. He doesn't see why Mr. Wider's committee couldn't do the same thing. It disturbs him to hear such words as white-wash.

THE PRESIDENT said she will confer with the Majority and Minority Leaders and the people in question to resolve this. She does not want to discuss this any more since there is no motion in this regard, and they just had a very brief report. She told Mr. Blum that since there was no motion on the floor, there was no reason for him to speak, even though he attended the meeting.

- (2) RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THERE IS A NEED FOR THE NORTH STREET ELDERLY HOUSING PROJECT SITE IN AN AMOUNT AT LEAST EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF UNITS TO BE BUILT. Letter from Margot Wormser, Housing Authority, 6/16/81.

MR. WIDER said this is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (3) PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING PROPOSED HOUSING SITE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S PLAN FOR NORTH STREET SITE. Margot Wormser's letter 6/16/81, Housing Auth.

MR. WIDER said Item #3 is also being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

- (4) PROBLEMS OF TENANTS LIVING IN STATE, FEDERALLY AND HUD SUBSIDIZED HOUSING. Submitted by E. Birch, Chairperson, Tenants' Coalition, 5/20/81.

MR. WIDER said the tenants from the Wm. C. Ward Homes, from Oak Park, and St. John's Towers who appeared before the Committee looking for an avenue where they could obtain funds for security. It was pointed out very vividly that people are afraid in housing, and not only in public housing, where there is a great concentration of people living. The Committee was able to make suggestions as to how they might proceed to achieve their goals.

PUBLIC HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (continued)(5) DISCUSSION ON IMPACT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AS RESULT OF THE PROPOSED FEDERAL BUDGET CUTS. Mayor's letter 6/18/81.

MR. WIDER said this was a Progress Report on the Community Development's Program and the impact that the President's budget will have on the programs. It was reported that many of the programs that are independently-funded, would be coming under Community Development, and many would be eliminated. We will have to take on some new ones. In the future, all grant programs will have to be audited through the City, and have to become a part of the City audit. That includes Community Development, CTE, and all of the other funded programs will have to be audited under the City.

MR. WIDER said we have our biennial progress activity report of Community Development, and a copy will be made available in the office. If you would like a personal copy, just ask for it, and we will be glad to see that you get one. The main fact is that a lot of this bulk mail is so expensive that a lot of things are going on the bulletin board here in the office and we will have to, by dire necessity, bring this out. Mr. Dixon pointed out in our meeting that to mail out those forty copies at close to \$7.00 per pack, by the time printing and mailing costs come out, would be impermissible. If you want to review this report, we will have a copy in the office. There are some very important factors involved here that the members need to know about.

(6) SUBMITTAL OF THE STAMFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SEMI-ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT. Mayor's letter 6/18/81.

MR. WIDER went on to say, in further discussing item #6, that they do have a little problem here that they do not know how to handle. They have an agency that is not Civil Service and they are not City employees, they are in-between, and they do not know what they are. It is a real problem in trying to employ people because when they send them from the Personnel Department up to Community Development to be employed, they think that they are being employed as a City employee, and when they are told that they are not City employees, they immediately do not want the job. So right now we have five vacancies open, and they are much needed vacancies because these programs cannot run without people. Most of our employees that come to the City of Stamford have gone on and got better jobs.

THE PRESIDENT said that question of Civil Service status to all of these agencies has been something that the Personnel Committee has been trying to grapple with, and it is present not only in Community Development but in other departments that are not under those auspices.

MR. WIDER said the reason he is really putting emphasis on this is that if we do not prove to the government that we can carry out the program, we have a chance of losing the grant. We stand a very good possibility of losing \$1.4 million, so we have to address this problem if we want to keep the money. That's why I am informing the Board that we do have these problems.

MR. BLUM made a Point of Order. He asked if that could be called a report. He tried to get up on the floor to give a report and found himself challenged by the President every night. Here is a man that gave a report regarding personnel. Mr. Blum can show him about some 700-odd employees that are not Civil Service employees that the Personnel Commission is taking care of. Mr. Blum does not think that report belongs in Mr. Wider's Committee.....

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THE PRESIDENT said she called that a report, and said Mr. Dziezyc was the next speaker.

MR. DZIEZYC said the Community Development Program put an ad in the local newspaper Monday, today. They are issuing an invitation to graphic design firms to submit proposals and cost estimates to design and publish the SCDP Year VI Annual Report. I want to know why aren't they using City facilities to save money. They are going out to get an expensive report from a graphic design firm.

THE PRESIDENT asked Mr. Wider if he were at all familiar with this, because if he is not, he can take the ad and do research on it.

MR. WIDER said he was not familiar with this being done and he appreciates Mr. Dziezyc's bringing it to his attention. If he will share it with Mr. Wider, as he happened to miss that, he will question it and find out.

THE PRESIDENT asked that he check it out and report to the Board about it in writing.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Chairman Richard Fasanelli

- (1) REPORT FROM THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ON PROGRESS AS TO BLOCKS 8 and 9. Submitted by Rep. M. Wiederlight 6/17/81.

MR. FASANELLI said it has been so long since he gave a committee report that he almost forgot how. Mr. Fasanelli has submitted eleven questions to the URC that concerned Blocks 8 and 9 in regard to Mr. Wiederlight's direction. Everyone has received copies of the four-page response from the URC answering those questions and explaining the progress on Blocks 8 and 9 pretty well. He found it satisfactory, but if anyone has any questions in that regard, or has an additional questions they would like answered, he would be more than happy to attempt to assist them.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Chairwoman Audrey Maihock

MRS. MAIHOCK said she had a brief comment on the gypsy moth. With great relief, she said, we have passed the caterpillar stage of the gypsy moth in Stamford. However, egg cases are once again appearing on our trees which will, alas, again require removal for control purposes by next year. Through the conscientious efforts and the ingenious preventive methods of our residents, we seem to have experienced less defoliation from the gypsy moth than we had expected in some districts.

THE PRESIDENT thanked Mrs. Maihock for her report, and she is sure it is in no small part due to the information she imparted to the group and to the people who were listening on the air at that time.

CHARTER REVISION AND ORDINANCE COMMITTEE - Co-Chairpersons Hogan and Guroian

- (1) TO CONSIDER AND ACT UPON THE PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENTS AS SUBMITTED TO THE 16th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES BY THE 12th CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION.

THE PRESIDENT said this has already been considered. See Page 11 of these Minutes.

SPECIAL COMMITTEESHOUSE COMMITTEE - Chairwoman Doris Bowlby

THE PRESIDENT said she would like to mention that Mr. Rybnick has done some really valuable work in relation to our emblems that some of you may not be aware of.

MR. RYNBICK said this matter was taken up with Purchasing Agent Canino. Mrs. Goldstein asked him to look into decals and they have one coming. It is 3" wide and 4 1/2" high. The backing is clear plastic with all lettering and the seal is in black print. This is a peel-off type decal which may be affixed to any inside window area of a vehicle where legal. The cost is \$150.00.

THE PRESIDENT said it is not \$150.00 per decal, however. She said there are many people on the Board who have problems parking if they are using a car that doesn't have the car plaque.

MR. RYBNICK said the other thing is parking around the City Hall where there isn't sufficient parking in the back lot. Mr. Ford has advised him today that he is going to put signs up across the street where we can use it at night, and there will be signs stating that there will be no parking between 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.; and after 6:00 P.M., we can use the area across the street.

In the not too distant future, Federal Street will become a one-way street, and Mr. Ford will make parking slots in angle form and those angle forms along the Municipal Office Building will be left for the Board of Representatives, or people in the City department here.

MS. SUMMERVILLE suggested Mr. Rybnick ask if Mr. Ford will be able to enforce those signs because, as one will notice, out front now, there is parking for the Board of Representatives, but the Federal Government's postal workers have monopolized that whole area no matter what meeting we are having. If there is an emergency on Saturdays, we cannot park there. Please have this looked into, so that in some way the postal workers cannot park in those spaces allocated to Board members.

MR. FLOUNDERS is glad to hear that there is going to be additional parking, as parking has become a very serious problem. He wonders why the gate has not been working for the last few meetings. With the gate open, we don't stand a chance because lots of cars can get in before the Board members arrive.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Chairman Patrick Joyce

NO REPORT.

ON-SITE REFUSE CONVERSION STUDY COMMITTEE - Chairman Fiorenzo Corbo

NO REPORT.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

NONE.

RESOLUTIONS:

- (1) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE PRESERVATION OF THE OCTAGON HOUSE LOCATED AT 120 STRAWBERRY HILL AVENUE. Submitted by Rep. John Zelinski 6/22/81.

MR. ZELINSKI read the Resolution and MOVED for its approval. He asked that a copy of it be sent to Dr. Nemoitin, President of the Historical Society, and Mr. Frank Mercede of Mercede & Son, owners of the property. SECONDED.

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote. APPROVED by voice vote, with 4 NO votes, being Ms. Summerville, Mr. Roos, Mrs. Perillo and Mr. Wiederlight.

PETITIONS

NONE.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES

May 12, 1981 Special Meeting. MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI asked about the corrections that he called in to Ms. Summerville and if they were made.

MS. SUMMERVILLE said Mr. Zelinski requested that his opening statement in the Special Budget Meeting be added verbatim, and I have instructed the staff to do so. The order has been given but I cannot assure you that it has been done.

MR. ZELINSKI that was satisfactory, as long as they are included.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES (continued)

Below are the verbatim remarks of Mr. Zelinski in his opening statement at the Special Budget Meeting of May 12, 1981:

"MR. ZELINSKI said he would like to commend the Fiscal Committee for the long hours they spent going over the Budget. Having served on the Fiscal Committee of the previous Board, he knows what they went through. However, hearing the cuts recommended by the Fiscal Committee, he is disappointed, and he knows our Stamford taxpayers will be as well. Therefore, we are representatives of the Stamford taxpayers, elected by them, and must cut approximately \$5 Million from the Budget to insure that there will be no tax increase.

Stamford's population has decreased from 107,000 to 101,000, a loss of 6,000 people. If taxes are increased, we will lose more people and the remaining taxpayers will again be paying more, because there will be less people to tax. The bottom line is, we have a choice tonight, either cut the proposed budget and keep the taxes stable, or don't cut adequately and there will be a large tax increase. In today's economy, we must help and be concerned about the poor and middle-income taxpayers."

THE PRESIDENT called for a vote on the Acceptance of the Minutes of May 12, 1981 with Mr. Zelinski's amendment. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

May 13, 1981 Adjourned Special Budget Meeting.

MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

May 30, 1981 Special Meeting

MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

June 1, 1981 Regular Meeting.

MOVED. SECONDED.

Several members said they just got these minutes and needed time to read them.

THE PRESIDENT said we would hold the June 1, 1981 Minutes until next month.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS and INDIVIDUALS

MR. BLUM said he wished to bring up a communication he received from the STAMFORD ADVOCATE. He sometimes wonders after she (Rhonda Orin) listens to our Board meeting tonight, whether "who do you think is the best Representative", and "Who do you think is the worst". Mr. Blum says he thinks he is the best dressed. He then MOVED for ADJOURNMENT.

OLD BUSINESSNONE.NEW BUSINESSNONE.ADJOURNMENT

MR. BLUM MOVED for ADJOURNMENT. SECONDED. There being no further business to come before the Board, the Meeting was ADJOURNED at 12:33 A.M. CARRIED.

By

Helen M. McEvoy
Helen M. McEvoy, Administrative Assistant
(and Recording Secretary)

Note: Above meeting was broadcast by
Radio Stations WSTC and WYRS in
its entirety.

APPROVED:

Sandra Goldstein

Sandra Goldstein, President
16th Board of Representatives
City of Stamford, Connecticut

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