

MINUTES OF SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING - WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1988

FOR FISCAL YEAR 7/1/88 - 6/30/89

20TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A Special Meeting of the 20th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut was held on Wednesday, May 11, 1988, pursuant to a "Call" issued by President Sandra Goldstein, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut. The Call was for 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 p.m. after both political parties has met in caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Rep. Thomas Burke, R-13.

"Oh mighty God, on this night which will have a lasting and basic impact on all citizens of this great City, we implore You to give us the wisdom and the fortitude to listen to the voices of our conscience along with the many other voices we've heard, and to exercise our God given rights in the best interests of all. We ask this in Your name. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Sandra Goldstein.

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk Annie M. Summerville. There were 33 members present and 7 absent. Absent were Reps. Thomas Clear, Stanley Esposito (excused), Bobby Owens (excused), Patricia McGrath (excused), Ellen Bromley (excused), Dominick Cardillo (excused) and Elaine Mitchell.

Shortly, after the start of the meeting, Ellen Bromley and Dominick Cardillo arrived making 35 present and 5 absent.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: President Sandra Goldstein - Machine in good working order.

The "Call" of the Special Meeting was read by President Goldstein.

"I, Sandra Goldstein, President of the 20th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, and pursuant to Section 2-10-4 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a Special Meeting of said Board of Representatives on May 11, 1988 to consider and act upon the Capital and Operating budgets for the fiscal year 1988-1989, as transmitted by the Board of Finance on April 20, 1988, pursuant to provisions of Section 8-30-3 of the Stamford Charter."

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN spoke on certain matters relating to the Budget meeting. She said that perhaps this is one of the important meetings of the year because what is done this evening will impact the citizens of our city, the tax rate, and affect the entire year in every department throughout the city.

President Goldstein said that in a budget session, a continuous motion is used. This means the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee will start his report by Moving the budget as cut by the Fiscal Committee of the Board of Representatives last Saturday. Operation will be page by page. If there is no request to reinstate a cut made by the Fiscal Committee or to cut a line that the Fiscal Committee did not recommend, then you proceed to the next page; a vote need not be taken on every page or on the cuts made by the Fiscal Committee except if there is a change.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN: (continuing) said that at the very end of the budget, which may be this evening or tomorrow evening, a vote will be taken on the budget as a whole. Several people will be keeping tallies.

President Goldstein thanked the Fiscal Committee for the many hours they have spent in analyzing the budget and listening to the department's requests and in making their carefully considered cuts. President Goldstein extended a special thank you to Donald Donahue, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee. He guided his Committee through a long and arduous process. President Goldstein expressed her thanks and also on behalf of the Board, to the Fiscal Committee: Mary Lou Rinaldi, Richard Lyons, David Martin, Frank Mollo, Scott Morris, Jerry Livingston, Gerry Rybnick, William McManus, Stanley Esposito and Kurt Jetta for their time and dedication.

MR. ZELINSKI asked if a Second was needed?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that regardless of the motion, a Second must be made. The continuous motion will be Seconded at the beginning of the meeting; if a motion is made to cut or reinstate, the motion needs a Second, and those motions will pass by a simple majority. With 33 members present, a simple majority would be 17 members.

President Goldstein said that to approve the budget, 21 votes are needed.

BUDGET PRESENTATION: Donald Donahue, Chairman, Fiscal Committee

MR. DONAHUE thanked the members of the Fiscal Committee especially Scott Morris for his assistance in many areas and Annie Summerville for her assistance with the Saturday meeting.

Mr. Donahue stated that the Fiscal Committee was reviewing the operating and capital projects budget for over two weeks. It interviewed all major department heads in order to determine the affect of reductions in their requests. Mr. Donahue said that he believed that the Fiscal Committee's recommendations were reasonable and prudent if continued service is to be provided to the people of the city at the same level that the current budget provides.

Mr. Donahue said the reductions taken at the Mayor's level and the Board of Finance level has eliminated the potential for substantial decreases by the Board of Representatives; any drastic reduction in funding can lead to the various departments being unable to operate at the current funded level. Mr. Donahue stated that where vacancies exist, attrition cuts were taken by the Mayor and the Board of Finance.

Mr. Donahue said that the Fiscal Committee held the budget review meeting on Saturday, May 7, 1988 with the following members attending: Mr. Martin, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Lyons, Ms. Rinaldi, Mr. Jetta, Mr. McManus, Mr. Mollo, and Mr. Donahue. *Also attending was Rep. Scott Morris.*

Mr. Donahue Moved that the Board approve the operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 1988/89 as amended. Seconded.

Mr. Donahue explained the budget reduction line. This was the fifth year this line was used. The department head must review his/her budget and reallocate the funds based on priorities. The department head must make the decision as to where the funds are most needed.

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PAGE 12 - REGISTRAR. OF VOTERS - The Fiscal Committee recommended a \$3,000 cut on the Budget reduction line, leaving the bottom line to read \$297,809.

The Chair noted that Mrs. Bromley joined the meeting making 34 members present.

MR. McMANUS Moved to reduce all city departments' spending by 5% from the level submitted by the Board of Finance; excluded from this would be the police and fire departments, all the Code 400 departments, debt service and any department that requested spending is below the 1987/88 budget. Mr. McManus went on to say that if a 5% reduction puts a department lower than the 1987/88 budget, the reduction will only be the portion that brings 1988/89 even with 1987/88. He proposed that the cuts go on the budget reduction line of the applicable departments. The result would be an overall reduction in spending for city departments of \$2,284,034. This would also represent a 2% decrease in the total city-spending.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that the budget is done department by department, page by page. An overall cut across-the-board is not taken. That was done a few years back resulting in some grave consequences. President Goldstein said that the 5% motion could be made on each page. She said that the budget is going on a continuous motion; page by page. A motion to cut 5% would be in order on each page.

MR. RUBINO asked if there was anything in the by-laws that state the across-the-board motion cannot be made? Mr. Rubino said that it should be debated and voted upon.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN again referred to the continuous motion and going page by page to make any cuts.

MR. RUBINO said that perhaps Mr. McManus' motion ask that we do not go page by page; that a vote be taken according to his motion.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the problem with an across-the-board cut is that numbers must be inserted as we review the budget. A number must be had for each page. At the end of the budget review, we would not have a number for each department's cut. Mr. Boccuzzi said that we must have the figures before the final approval of the resolution. A cut done page by page would be proper.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that members may want to make other cuts in the various line items. In order to have an orderly meeting, we will be proceeding page by page. The 5% motion may be made on each page or for each department.

MR. JETTA said that they had the figures. It was discussed extensively. Mr. Jetta stated that he did not think the procedure for page by page is in the by-laws and must be invoked.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called on Mr. Donahue, the Parliamentarian to make a statement.

MR. DONAHUE said that it is traditional that the budget is reviewed department by department. There was one exception. He did not see how anyone could support a 5% across-the-board reduction when they don't know what has been done to the department and what other motions may be made from the Floor of the Board on individual departments. He did not think it would be appropriate to take an across-the-board reduction.

MR. DeLUCA said that he has listened to the comments of Mr. Boccuzzi and Mr. Donahue saying that they could not support Mr. McManus' motion. Mr. DeLuca referred to one of the budget meetings of the 17th Board of Representatives when there were 20 republicans and 20 democrats on that Board. The only ones that did not support the across-the-board cut were 10 republicans on that Board. Mr. DeLuca said that many democrats supported the across-the-board cut. They did not voice the same concerns as voiced this evening. Mr. DeLuca said that he believed that Mr. McManus' motion was in order, and that a vote should be taken on the motion.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked for a Point of Personal Privilege. Mr. Boccuzzi said that he made the motion at that meeting. The motion made was that "we accept the report of the Fiscal Committee as stated." There was no across-the-board cuts. The motion was to accept the Fiscal Committee's report as stated; with the Fiscal Committee's figures. No other cuts made other than what Fiscal recommended.

MRS. BROMLEY said that the budget meeting is perhaps the most important meeting of the year. She found it shocking to suggest that (a) cut time and (b) an across-the-board reduction without looking at each line be considered.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that the question is really do we proceed line by line taking a percentage from each department's budget or do we support the Fiscal Committee's recommendations or an across-the-board cut?

The Chair ruled that we proceed through the use of a continuous motion, line by line and department by department.

MR. RUBINO challenged the ruling of the Chair.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on the challenge. The Chair has ruled that Mr. McManus' motion is out-of-order; that he cannot move that we cut across-the-board but that we vote on the budget page by page and department by department as has been the custom. The question is to sustain the rule of the Chair which would allow Mr. McManus or whoever to move a 5% cut anytime they want but not across-the-board.

President Goldstein stated that if you sustain the rule of the Chair, which is that Mr. McManus is out-of-order, you will vote "yes." If you believe that Mr. Rubino is correct, (he challenged the Chair) you will vote "no." A majority vote is needed to over-rule the Chair.

President Goldstein called for a vote on sustaining the rule of the Chair. The rule of the Chair had been sustained by a vote of 23 yes, 10 no and 1 abstention. Mr. McManus' vote registered as non-voting; he wished to be recorded as a no vote.

PAGE 13 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - The Fiscal Committee recommended a \$1,000 cut on the budget reduction line, leaving the bottom line to read \$108,732.

PAGE 14 - BOARD OF FINANCE - The Fiscal Committee recommended an \$8,000 cut on the budget reduction line.

MR. McMANUS Moved to amend that to \$6,935. Seconded.

Mr. McManus stated that we must make the responsible choices between the services we need and can afford. He stated that the affordability of the package has been overlooked.

MR. McMANUS (continuing) said the departments are requesting a spending increase of 6.7%. He said that inflation at this time is about 4% and a 6.7% increase is irresponsible. He said that retired peoples' pensions are keyed to an inflation index; as their expenses rise, they are forced to make hard choices and cuts. Mr. McManus went on to state other statistics and comments on the budget. He said that we should reduce any of the increased spending by 5%. This would be a rational approach to take. Mr. McManus spoke about the long-time homeowners in the city and also the young people who will have to make hard choices. Also, the poor people in the city. He said an increase in taxes will be seen in the increases in rent for some people. He said a 2% reduction would leave a 4.5% increase in city services. He said that this is translated as a cut in services; it isn't. City managers are paid to perform specific functions and if they cannot run their department with the same level of service with a 4.5% increase, perhaps they should be looked at as to how their departments are being operated. Mr. McManus said that the police and fire departments should not be touched. These departments directly impact safety.

MR. JETTA said the rationale for the Fiscal's Committee reduction of \$8,000 for the Board of Finance is because they cut the Board of Representatives' budget by \$8,000. He said this was not a responsible approach to a budget. He said the 5% proposed by Mr. McManus is reasonable.

MR. BLUM felt that we should go with the Fiscal Committee's recommendation of the \$8,000 cut on the budget reduction line.

MRS. PERILLO Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on the motion to change the Fiscal Committee's recommendation of an \$8,000 cut on the budget reduction line to a cut of \$6,935. This would be to restore \$1,065 to the budget reduction line. The motion was DEFEATED by a voice vote.

Bottom line for the Board of Finance is \$130,701.

PAGE 15 - PLANNING BOARD - No reductions were recommended.

MR. BLUM Moved to cut \$6,000 from the budget reduction line. Seconded. Mr. Blum's reasoning for that was that all Boards could sustain a small reduction.

MR. DeLUCA said that he would go along with Mr. Blum's motion.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$6,000 from the budget on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

MR. BLUM stated the vote was a division of the house.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the \$6,000 reduction by use of the machine. DEFEATED by a vote of 20 no, and 13 yes votes.

MR. DeLUCA Moved to cut \$3,000 from line .5150 professional consultants. Seconded. Mr. DeLuca said that he planned to vote against any department that has anything to do with professional consultants or program expansion. He felt that the various Boards and Commissions should come back to the Board of Representatives and explain the need for the professional consultants and what the plans are. This also pertains to program expansion.

MR. DeLUCA said that we should know what we are voting for and where the money would be going.

MR. DONAHUE said that at one time there was a plan to create a new position called "urban architect." After sometime, it was decided not to use an urban architect but to use the services of an outside architect when complicated design planning and master plan concepts were used. This account saves the city money; it is used when necessary.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$3,000 from line .5150. DEFEATED by a vote of 21 no and 14 yes votes.

MRS. MAIHOCK Moved to cut \$1,600 from line .2940 conference and training. Seconded. This would leave \$6,520 in the account which is more than the amount in the original budget for 1987/88.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a voice vote on cutting \$1,600 from line .2940. The motion was DEFEATED.

The bottom line for the Planning Board budget is \$462,685. No cuts made.

PAGE 16 - STAMFORD ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE (NOW STAMFORD PARTNERSHIP) - Fiscal recommended a \$5,000 reduction leaving the bottom line \$60,000.

PAGE 17 - ZONING BOARD - Fiscal Committee recommended no reduction.

MR. DeLUCA indicated that he wants the record to note that on every consultant's line and program expansion line, he wants to know how the money is being spent. He cannot vote until he knows where the money is going and how it is being utilized.

MR. BLUM Moved to take \$10,000 on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Blum's motion. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Zoning Board is \$122,950.

PAGE 18 - ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - Fiscal Committee recommended no reductions.

MR. JETTA Moved to cut \$2,337 from the budget on the budget reduction line. He said that in cutting by 5%, he is saying that the taxpayers of Stamford cannot afford any tax increases greater than the rate of inflation. Seconded.

MR. LYONS said that when a set number is set to cut, we are not looking at the departments and not talking to the department heads. We are cutting arbitrarily. Mr. Lyons said that everyone would love to cut taxes but the services must be kept and the job must be done. If the 3 or 5% cuts were to be made, the department heads should be consulted and they could tell us what will happen when they are cut. Mr. Lyons opposed the motion.

MR. LIVINGSTON said he agreed with Mr. Lyons' statements. He said that the members of the Fiscal Committee had every opportunity to cut at the Fiscal Committee meetings. Mr. Livingston did not think it proper for some members of the Fiscal Committee to make motions for cuts at this time.

MR. BLUM said that this budget was the peoples' budget and if cuts are made, they are made to keep the taxes down. He said that anyone has a right to make a motion to cut.

MR. RUBINO said that the budget was discussed in their caucus and part of the overall plan is to make reductions that will result in an acceptable tax increase.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on cutting \$2,337 from the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by voice vote.

The bottom line for the Zoning Board of Appeals is \$46,744.

PAGE 20 - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line \$185,496.

PAGE 21 - SEWER COMMISSION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$67,505.

PAGE 22 - HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$146,710.

PAGE 23 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Fiscal recommended \$1,000 cut on budget reduction line.

MR. JETTA Moved to cut \$11,494 on budget reduction line, leaving the bottom line to read \$308,332.. Seconded.

Mr. Jetta said the rationale is to seek a 5% across-the-board cut for departments that came in substantially over last year's budget.

MR. JACHIMCZYK said that there was much talk this evening about the impact the budget would have on senior citizens. He said the Commission on Aging does a lot of good work with the senior citizens of our city. He said that he was confused; why would we want to make a larger cut than the \$1,000 recommended by the Fiscal Committee?

MR. LIVINGSTON said that at the Fiscal meeting, he spoke against the \$1,000 cut. He asked how could we cut services to the very people that need our assistance? cited that Dial-A-Ride service does not extend north of the Parkway. He believed that the \$1,000 should not have been made. He said that it would be irresponsible for us to cut as per Mr. Jetta's motion.

MR. LYONS said that he was against the \$11,494 cut. He said that this would be cutting money from the people that don't have it. He did not believe on cutting just for the sake of cutting knowing that the reasonable members of the Board and people interested in the senior citizens will not vote for this cut.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved for a five-minute recess. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

Recess was from 9:35 p.m. to 9:44 p.m.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$11,494 on the budget reduction line on the Commission on Aging budget. DEFEATED by a vote of 32 no votes and 3 yes votes.

MR. BURKE Moved to reinstate \$1,000 cut on the budget reduction line recommended by the Fiscal Committee. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to reinstate \$1,000 on the budget reduction line for the Commission on Aging. APPROVED by a vote of 22 yes and 13 no votes.

The bottom line for the Commission on Aging is \$319,826.

PAGE 24 - FAIR RENT COMMISSION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$98,956.

PAGE 25 - PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES - Fiscal recommended a cut of \$2,500 on the budget reduction line.

MR. ZELINSKI stated that line .3220 July Fourth, has a 100% increase over the previous year. Mr. Zelinski asked why is this increase so large?

MR. DONAHUE said that this year's celebration for the Fourth will be more elaborate. The \$2,500 reduction was made hoping that the Commission could find more in that line. The intent was not to eliminate or decrease the enthusiasm for the fireworks display on the Fourth.

MR. ZELINSKI Moved to cut \$14,000 from line .3220 bringing that line down to \$23,100. He said he thought the residents of Stamford would be willing not to have as many fireworks. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK agreed with Mr. Zelinski. She said if such an extravaganza was produced last year, she did not see why we should make our efforts greater this year. She said that as taxpayers, we are hurting. She was in favor of Mr. Zelinski's motion.

MR. BLUM agreed with Mr. Zelinski's motion. He did not approve going from \$15,000 to \$37,000 on this line. He did not approve of spending so much for the fireworks.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to reduce line .3220 by \$14,000. DEFEATED by a vote of 19 no and 15 yes votes.

MR. RUBINO Moved to cut .3250 Other Observances by \$7,500 leaving that line 0. Seconded.

MR. ZELINSKI asked what the other observances were.

MR. DONAHUE said that it was for Santa Claus appearing at Landmark Square.

MR. BLUM said that he would vote favorably for this if a menorah was placed somewhere.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to cut \$7,500 from line .3250 leaving 0. DEFEATED by voice vote.

The bottom line for Patriotic Observances is \$57,675.

PAGE 26 - COMMISSION ON AGING - OUTREACH GRANT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$54,747.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked why has there been such an increase on line .2940 conferences and training; going from \$242 to \$275 to \$1,000?

MR. DONAHUE stated that this was part of a grant. He said that there was more work being done for the elderly and part of the grant requirement is that conferences and training sessions must be attended at the state level to become apprised of new development for senior citizens and also on how the grant is to be managed.

PAGE 27 - DIAL-A-RIDE GRANT - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$178,340.

PAGE 28 - BOARD OF TAX REVIEW - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$7,042.

PAGE 29 - PERSONNEL BOARD OF APPEALS - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$392

PAGE 30 - SECTION TOTAL IS \$2,346,310. Total cuts \$19,500.

PAGE 31 - MAYOR'S OFFICE - Fiscal recommended to cut \$13,650 from line .7901 program expansion leaving that line 0 and \$5,000 on the budget reduction line.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to reinstate \$13,650 to line .7901 program expansion. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to reinstate \$13,650 on line .7901. APPROVED by a vote of 22 yes and 8 no votes with 1 abstention.

MR. RUBINO Moved to take an additional \$20,000 on the budget reduction line making it \$25,000 on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to take an additional \$20,000 on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a vote of 22 no and 11 yes votes.

MR. BLUM Moved to add an additional \$5,000 cut on the budget reduction line. This would be in addition to the \$5,000 recommended by the Fiscal Committee. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to add \$5,000 on the budget reduction line to bring the reduction to \$10,000. DEFEATED by a vote of 20 no and 14 yes votes.

MR. ZELINSKI Moved to cut \$4,000 from line .2914 annual reports leaving that line \$10,000. Seconded.

Mr. Zelinski said that he thought that \$10,000 would be sufficient for that line.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to cut \$4,000 from line .2914. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Mayor's Office is \$348,635.

PAGE 33 - STAMFORD YOUTH PLANNING & COORDINATING AGENCY - Fiscal recommended no cuts.

MRS. MAIHOCK Moved to make a cut of \$44,220 on line .7905 budget reduction to leave a bottom line of \$117,423 for SYPCA's budget. Seconded.

Mrs. Maihock stated that if one has analyzed the budgets of the Board of Representative the Board of Finance and the Zoning Board, it will be seen that the SYPCA budget is in excess of the above Boards. She said that that was an inordinately large amount of money. She said that this page, shows that we are increasing part-time people, permanent part-time people and are mushrooming a small agency rather than giving benefits to the primary agency. *city agencies*.

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MRS. POWERS said that the increase in this budget is an increase in the grant funding from the State. She did not favor any cut in SYPCA's budget. This agency does the most for youth in drug and alcohol abuse in the city.

MRS. PERILLO asked how much of the money is from a grant?

MR. DONAHUE said that most of the money is from grants. The Board approved the applications for the grant monies. The State has made more money available for drug and alcohol prevention and we have taken advantage of that. Mr. Donahue said that one full-time person and two part-time persons are employed; one is an outreach worker. Great service is provided to the young people of the community.

MR. WIDER said this agency is the key in planning programs for our youth in this city. He said that we should be adding money to this agency as the need is there for this community.

MS. RINALDI Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to cut \$44,220 on line .7905 budget reduction. DEFEATED by a vote of 29 no and 2 yes votes.

The bottom line for the SYPCA budget is \$161,643.

PAGE 35 - TOWN AND CITY CLERK - No cuts recommended by the Fiscal Committee.

MR. JETTA Moved that \$10,411 be added to the budget reduction line. Seconded.

Mr. Jetta stated that he is concerned about the taxpayers of the city.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$10,411 on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

MR. ZELINSKI Moved that line .5150 professional consultant be reduced by \$1,831 leaving that line \$20,000. Seconded. This would be the level of the last two previous fiscal years.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$1,831 from line .5150. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Town & City Clerk is \$483,057.

PAGE 36 - PROBATE COURT - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$20,810.

PAGE 37 - LAW DEPARTMENT - Fiscal recommended no cuts.

MR. RUBINO Moved to cut \$5,000 on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$5,000 on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Law Department is \$834,168.

PAGE 38 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$609,206.

PAGE 39 - BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS-T-Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$146,975.

PAGE 40 - BUREAU OF ACCOUNTS & RECORDS-F - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$351,484.

PAGE 41 - BUREAU OF PURCHASES - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$237,605.

PAGE 42 - CENTRAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$211,433.

PAGE 43 - BUREAU OF DATA PROCESSING - Fiscal recommended a \$5,000 on the budget reduction line.

MR. JETTA Moved to modify the budget reduction line to \$45,581 leaving the bottom line at \$864,444. Seconded.

Mr. Jetta said that many things are being done in-house that should be contracted out. In developing new systems, outside firms could do the work for less money and we would receive better support.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Jetta's motion. DEFEATED by voice vote.

MR. BLUM Moved to add \$5,000 more on the budget reduction line, making it a \$10,000 cut on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Blum's motion. DEFEATED by voice vote.

MR. FEDELE Moved to add \$20,000 on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

Mr. Fedele said that many businesses are not developing or adding software inhouse. Outside packages are bought. This saves time and money.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to take another \$20,000 on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Bureau of Data Processing is \$905,025.

PAGE 44 - PAYROLL DEPARTMENT - No reductions were recommended by Fiscal.

MR. RUBINO Moved to add \$4,000 on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to add \$4,000 on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Payroll Department is \$192,688.

PAGE 45 - RISK MANAGEMENT - No reductions were recommended by Fiscal - bottom line is \$90,896.

PAGE 46 - ASSESSORS OFFICE - Fiscal recommended a \$5,000 cut on the budget reduction line.

MR. McMANUS Moved to increase the budget reduction line by another \$10,000, bringing the bottom line to \$676,327.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to make a \$10,000 cut on the budget reduction line. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Assessors Office is \$686,327.

PAGE 47 - TAX COLLECTOR - Fiscal recommended no reductions.

MR. McMANUS Moved to add a \$7,000 cut on the budget reduction line leaving the bottom line to read \$342,308. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. McManus' motion. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

PAGE 48 - PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT - Fiscal recommended a \$20,000 reduction on the budget reduction line.

MR. RUBINO Moved to add another \$37,500 to the budget reduction line. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Rubino's motion. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Personnel Department is \$669,392.

PAGE 49 - LABOR NEGOTIATIONS - No reductions recommended by Fiscal.

MR. McMANUS Moved to put \$7,000 on the budget reduction line leaving the bottom line \$139,184. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. McManus' motion. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for Labor Negotiations is \$146,509.

PAGE 50 - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC - No reductions recommended by Fiscal - bottom line is \$996,140.

PAGE 52 - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC PARKING - No reductions recommended by Fiscal - bottom line is \$1,319,248.

PAGE 54 - STAMFORD RAILROAD STATION - No reductions recommended by Fiscal.

MR. PAVIA Moved to add \$50,000 to the budget reduction line leaving the bottom line \$1,066,000. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Pavia's motion. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

MR. BLUM Moved to cut line .5501 contracted services by \$37,000 leaving that line \$800,000. Seconded.

Mr. Blum said that this line was \$692,809 last year.

MRS. PERILLO Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on cutting \$37,000 from line .5501. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Stamford Railroad Station is \$1,116,000.

PAGE 55 - EMPLOYEE TAXES AND INSURANCE - Fiscal recommended a reduction on line .1330 medical and life of \$183,000 leaving that line \$7,448,547.

MR. MARTIN Moved to add a \$50,000 cut on the budget reduction line. Seconded.

Mr. Martin stated that we have had dramatic cost increases in the past two years. Mr. Martin said that recently, a new benefits manager was hired and there is a commitment to make substantial reductions in this line item. Also, reductions to the insurance line, there may be actions that can be taken to reduce our liability. The bottom line for this department would be \$15,782,979.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to add a \$50,000 cut on the budget reduction line. APPROVED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for Employee Taxes & Insurance is \$15,782,979.

PAGE 56 - PENSIONS & RETIREES BENEFITS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$3,486,700.

PAGE 57 - PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$29,880.

PAGE 57 - SECTION TOTAL IS \$29,176,108. Total cuts \$263,000 in Section 200.

PAGE 58 - PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$734,963.

PAGE 59 - WEIGHTS & MEASURES - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$35,146.

PAGE 60 - BUR. OF HIGHWAYS & MAINTENANCE DIV. - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,277,344.

PAGE 61 - DIV. OF EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions

MR. MARTIN Moved to reduce line .2510 Maintenance of vehicles by \$15,000 bringing that line to \$570,000. Seconded.

Mr. Martin said his rationale for the cut is that at present, there is legislation before the Board restricting the use of city vehicles. He said the Law Department and Risk Management is working to reduce the number of vehicles that are taken home. Mr. Martin said that all the vehicles taken home in the Department of Public Works are maintained in this account. In reducing this account, it shows the intent of the Board in reducing the number of vehicles to be taken home.

MR. DONAHUE said a reduction in this line is not a reasonable approach. This line is used for the maintenance of the rolling stock. That account has been severely cut; vehicles are being kept for a longer period of time than ever before.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on cutting line .2510 maintenance of vehicles by \$15,000. DEFEATED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for Division of Equipment Maintenance is \$1,197,521.

PAGE 62 - GAS AND ELECTRIC - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,316,740.

PAGE 63 - SNOW REMOVAL & FLOOD EMERGENCY - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$853,145.

PAGE 64 - DIVISION OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - Fiscal recommended a \$200,000 reduction on the budget reduction line - bottom line is \$2,522,317.

PAGE 65 - GASOLINE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$127,500.

PAGE 68 - BUREAU OF ENGINEERING - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,163,326.

PAGE 69 - DIVISION OF BUILDING INSPECTIONS - Fiscal recommended no reductions.

MR. MARTIN Moved to make a \$15,000 reduction on the budget reduction line leaving the bottom line \$697,909. Seconded.

Mr. Martin said the zoning responsibilities were taken from this department as a result of Charter Revision. A separate zoning inspection department was created, and they came in requesting three positions between the two functions. The positions were cut to one. The Division of Building Inspections has lost the zoning functions and probably the Zoning department will come in for another position. The rationale is that we do not fill the vacancy that now exists in that department.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on reducing the budget by a \$15,000 reduction on the budget reduction line. APPROVED by a vote of 23 yes and 12 no votes.

The bottom line for the Division of Building Inspections is \$697,909.

PAGE 70 - OPERATION SHELLFISH - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$43,491.

PAGE 71 - BUREAU OF SANITATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$287,175.

PAGE 72 - SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,852,044.

PAGE 75 - CONVENTIONAL INCINERATOR - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$8,864,351.

PAGE 78 - DIVISION OF EQUIPMENT & BUILDING - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,266,137.

PAGE 80 - DIVISION OF COLLECTION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,267,115.

PAGE 82 - SECTION TOTAL IS \$25,506,224. Total cuts \$215,000 in Section 300.

PAGE 83 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - Fiscal Committee recommended no reductions.

MR. LYONS Moved to reduce line .3430 emergency equipment by \$15,000, making that line read \$20,000. Seconded.

Mr. Lyons stated that on the back-up received it was nebulous. He said that it said on "emergency equipment - remote control bomb disposal robot \$25,000." It was budgeted in 87/88 and it appears that it is budgeted in 88/89. Mr. Lyons said that he was not sure that this item is a necessary requirement for the city.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to cut \$15,000 from line .3430 emergency equipment. APPROVED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Police Department is \$13,989,632.

PAGE 86 - DOG WARDEN - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$126,645.

PAGE 88 - FIRE 911 - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$176,986.

PAGE 89 - POLICE DISPATCH - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$601,159.

PAGE 90 - FIRE DISPATCH - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$287,190.

PAGE 91 - PENSIONS & RETIREES BENEFITS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,650,100.

PAGE 92 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$9,854,936.

PAGE 94 - FIRE MARSHAL - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$22,575.

PAGE 95 - CIVIL DEFENSE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$45,000.

PAGE 96 - PENSIONS & RETIREES BENEFITS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,107,061.

PAGE 97 - VOLUNTEER FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$3,560,730.

PAGE 98 - HARBORMASTER - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,700.

PAGE 98 - SECTION TOTAL IS \$33,423,714. Total cuts in Section 400 - \$15,000.

PAGE 99 - SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENTS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,304,879.

MR. DONAHUE said that before going over the Smith House Residence and Skilled Nursing facility budgets, he stated that a year ago, Halcyon Management came in and told the Fiscal Committee that they were going to seek new sources of revenue and they were going to do things to bring Smith House as a total package into the black. Halcyon has showed us that they have dramatically improved the sources of revenue and have actually projected a \$390,000 excess of income over expenses. They promised this and we have seen that it has been done. The Fiscal Committee seeing this, recommended no reductions on any of the accounts.

MR. BURKE wanted the Record to show that he abstained on all Codes 521 to and including 538. These Codes pertain to the Smith House Residence and Nursing Facility.

PAGE 101 - ADMINISTRATION SMITH HOUSE NURSING FACILITY - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$465,385.

PAGE 102- NURSING SERVICES SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$2,717,224.

PAGE 103 - DIETARY SERVICES SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$705,248.

PAGE 104 - PLANT MAINTENANCE SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$673,586.

PAGE 105 - HOUSEKEEPING SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$212,346.

PAGE 106 - LAUNDRY SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$161,661.

PAGE 107 - RECREATION SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$109,762.

PAGE 108 - SOCIAL SERVICES SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$61,183.

PAGE 109 - PHYSICAL THERAPY SNF - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$78,531.

PAGE 110 - ADMINISTRATION - SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$124,456.

PAGE 111 - RESIDENT CARE - SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$274,744.

PAGE 112 - DIETARY SERVICES - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$301,833

PAGE 113 - PLANT MAINTENANCE - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$180,892.

PAGE 114 - HOUSEKEEPING - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$65,800.

PAGE 115 - LAUNDRY - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$38,858.

PAGE 116 - RECREATION - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$32,190.

PAGE 117 - SOCIAL SERVICES - RESIDENCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$6,041.

PAGE 118 - NON-CITY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$31,694.

PAGE 119 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Fiscal recommended a reduction on line .7901 program expansion of \$39,500 leaving that line to read 0.

MR. MARTIN Moved to reduce line .2510 maintenance of vehicles by \$3,463 leaving that line to read \$6,000. Seconded.

Mr. Martin said the Board and Administration is trying to reduce the number of vehicles taken home. Presumably this will reduce vehicle maintenance. Mr. Martin said that from research done, a large number of vehicles are being taken home by employees of the Health Department.

MR. WIDER asked if this would in anyway affect the services of the Health Department?

MR. DONAHUE said that he thought the services would be affected. Mr. Donahue said he really didn't see much difference in a vehicle being parked in the garage here or at one's home. The amount of miles may be reduced but the vast majority of the miles are put on in the field servicing clients. Mr. Donahue said that vehicles are not replaced in a way that they should be. This means that there is more maintenance of vehicles than less maintenance.

MR. WIDER said that he has a problem knowing that if any service is needed, the employee may be delayed because the vehicle is not available

MR. BOCCUZZI said that if the mileage is reduced, maintenance is reduced. Mr. Boccuzzi said that this Board is trying to keep the vehicles in this building except when vehicles are used on the job.

MR. FEDELE Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on reducing line .2510 maintenance of vehicles by \$3,463 leaving \$6,000. APPROVED by voice vote.

The bottom line for the Health Department 550 Code is \$1,293,535.

PAGE 121 - CODE ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$337,698.

PAGE 122 - DRUG FORENSIC LABORATORY - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$98,506.

PAGE 123 - COST SHARING GRANT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$55,931.

PAGE 124 - VD CLINIC GRANT STATE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$12,000.

PAGE 125 - MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$114,892.

PAGE 126 - HEALTH RISK REDUCTION GRANT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$16,189.

PAGE 127 - TB CONTROL GRANT - Fiscal recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$35,656.

PAGE 128 - PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM - Fiscal Recommended no reductions - the bottom line is \$788,373.

PAGE 129 - HEALTH PROGRAM FOR PAROCHIAL & PRIVATE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,515,093.

PAGE 130 - SHAPE PROGRAM - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$51,938.

PAGE 131 - NON-CITY HEALTH AGENCIES - DRUG LIBERATION - Fiscal recommended no reduction bottom line is \$176,800.

PAGE 132 - SECTION TOTAL - \$13,042,924. Total cuts in Section 500 - \$42,963.

PAGE 133 - PARKS & RECREATION - PARKS DIV. - Fiscal Committee recommended a \$10,000 budget reduction on the budget reduction line - bottom line is \$1,980,000.

PAGE 135 - PARKS & RECREATION - TERRY CONNORS RINK - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$378,926.00.

PAGE 137 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$1,160,786.

PAGE 139 - PROJECT MUSIC - BOARD OF RECREATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$41,090.

PAGE 140 - CUBETA STADIUM - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$36,545.

PAGE 141 - FEE SUPPORTED PROGRAMS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$142,277.

PAGE 142 - DOROTHY HEROY RECREATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$36,683.

PAGE 143 - ETHEL KWESKIN THEATRE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$92,321.

PAGE 144 - RECREATION YOUTH CENTER - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$10,558.

PAGE 145 - STERLING FARMS CULTURAL CENTER - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$23,539.

PAGE 146 - BELLTOWN FIELD RECREATION - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$4,161.

PAGE 147 - SCOFIELDTOWN RECREATION AREA - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$12,754.

PAGE 148 - BRENNAN GOLF COURSE - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$408,916.

PAGE 149 - SECTION TOTAL - \$4,328,556. Total cuts in Section 500 - \$10,000.

PAGE 150 - FERGUSON LIBRARY - Fiscal Committee recommended a \$20,000 reduction on the budget reduction line.

MRS. PAINTER wanted the Record to note that she abstained and left the Floor on the discussion regarding the Ferguson Library.

MRS. BROMLEY Moved to reinstate \$10,000 of the \$20,000 reduction recommended by the Fiscal Committee. Seconded.

MRS. BROMLEY stated that the percentage of increase requested by the Library is mandated by the salary increases; the reduction would cut into the operating budget. Mrs. Bromley also stated that the Library is not receiving any funds for capital projects. She said that improvements have to be made that include fire code improvements that are mandated to be made at the Turn of River Branch and also computer capacity has to be upgraded

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to restore \$10,000 to the Ferguson Library budget. APPROVED by a voice vote.

The bottom line for the Ferguson Library is \$4,470,000.

PAGE 151 - STAMFORD MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$792,878.

PAGE 152 - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$12,000.

PAGE 153 - COMMUNITY CENTERS - Fiscal recommended no reductions - bottom line is \$136,599.

PAGE 154 - SECTION TOTAL - \$5,411,477. Total cuts in Section 700 - \$10,000.

MR. DONAHUE turned the Chair over to Ms. Rinaldi for the Board of Education budget.

MESSRS. DeROSE, CARDILLO and DONAHUE requested that the Record show that they left the Floor and did not participate in any discussion or vote on the Board of Education budget.

PAGE 155 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Fiscal recommended a \$300,000 cut.

MR. JETTA Moved to cut an additional \$1,200,000 leaving the budget at \$79,828,712.

Mr. Jetta said that over the past 10 years the school population has declined by 40%, and staffing has decreased by only 14%. Mr. Jetta said that the staffing level does not reflect the student population. He said that he did not think that the staffing level should decrease by 40% but he would expect a decrease of 25 to 30%. Mr. Jetta believed that there were enough capable managers in the system to make that amount of money work. The reduction in the school budget would make an impact on the tax rate.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on Mr. Jetta's motion to cut an additional \$1,200,000 from the Board of Education budget. DEFEATED by a vote of 23 no and 9 yes votes.

The bottom line for the Board of Education budget is \$81,028,712.

PAGE 156 - BOARD OF EDUCATION NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS TRANSPORTATION - Fiscal recommended a cut of \$75,000 - bottom line is \$918,790.

PAGE 156 - FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$44,790.

PAGE 158 - SECTION TOTAL - \$81,992,292 - Total cuts in Section 800 is \$375,000.

PAGE 159 - DEBT SERVICE - Fiscal recommended no cuts - bottom line is \$28,094,318.

PAGE 160 - SECTION TOTAL - \$28,094,318 - No cuts in the 900 Section.

TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET IS \$223,321,923 - Total cuts made \$950,463.

CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET:

PAGE 199 - SEWER COMMISSION - no reductions - bottom line is \$5,821,800.

PAGE 203 - DATA PROCESSING DEPARTMENT - no reductions - bottom line is \$135,000.

PAGE 204 - TAX ASSESSOR - no reductions - bottom line is \$1,385,000.

PAGE 205 - TRAFFIC & PARKING DEPARTMENT

MR. CARDILLO Moved to cut the entire amount of \$60,000 from line 280.294 Hoyt Street extension. Seconded.

Mr. Cardillo said that he personally visited the site and made some on-site inspections. He said that on Monday, April 18, between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., he counted approximately 1120 vehicles which represented the total traffic flow for that hour. On Tuesday, April 19, between 8 and 9:00 a.m. he counted 1752 vehicles which represented the total traffic flow and Thursday, April 21 between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m., he counted about 1722 vehicles. Mr. Cardillo said that on those days and between those hours, he observed several serious traffic back-ups near the area which would be affected by the project. He said that he is well-versed in statistical applications and applied the statistical analyses in the data collected and found that the probability for serious traffic congestion could be aggravated and worsened if another busy artery such as the Hoyt Street extension were to be built, and as a consequence, heavy traffic flow be allowed to collide with the already heavy traffic flow that presently exists on Washington Boulevard.

Mr. Cardillo also stated that he thought the Board of Finance demonstrated its wisdom in cutting \$800,000 thus not committing the city for the construction of a new road of dubious effectiveness. Mr. Cardillo said that the Board of Representatives should demonstrate the same wisdom and good judgement and delete the remaining \$60,000 balance.

Mr. Cardillo said the ultimate cost of the Hoyt Street extension could be in the millions of dollars. This money could be better spent in areas that directly affect the well-being of the people such as education, maintenance and repairs of existing roads, police protection and construction of sewers in areas where they are badly needed.

Mr. Cardillo urged his colleagues to support his motion.

see pg. 39.
MRS. MAIHOCK stated that Mr. Cardillo did a marvelous study on the item and she agreed *with* on everything Mr. Cardillo said.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on cutting \$60,000 from line 280.294 Hoyt Street extension. APPROVED 24 yes and 8 no votes with 2 abstentions.

The bottom line for the Department of Traffic and Parking is \$1,765,000.

PAGE 212 - PUBLIC WORKS - HIGHWAYS - no reductions - bottom line is \$850,000.

PAGE 214 - PUBLIC WORKS - VEHICLE MAINTENANCE - no reductions - bottom line is \$414,800

PAGE 215 - PUBLIC WORKS - BUILDING MAINTENANCE - no reductions - bottom line is \$44,500

PAGE 216 - PUBLIC WORKS - ENGINEERING

MRS. MAIHOCK Moved to cut \$900,000 from line 330.262 Selleck Street Bridge leaving that line 0. Seconded.

Mrs. Maihock felt that the funding would be there for two-lane traffic.

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that he did not understand why this should be cut; did Mrs. Maihock want two lanes or did she not want two lanes?

MRS. MAIHOCK said that they did not want four lanes.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the bridge should have been four lanes long ago. Mr. Boccuzzi said there is much traffic in the area and if a bus goes around the corner, it can't make it. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that that bridge is probably one of the worst bridges in the city, if not, the state. A four lane bridge would help the flow of traffic in a critical point in the Waterside district.

MR. DONAHUE said that a resolution was passed by the Board to enter into an agreement with the State for this bridge. This was the approved amount of the city's share for funding of this project. Mr. Donahue said that the widening of this bridge was a necessity. The widening would not make this a four lane highway. Mr. Donahue said that we have to fund this amount and this cannot be reduced at this point in time.

MR. WIDER said that Mrs. Maihock must be unaware of the development in that area. He said four lanes are needed now, and he has been fighting for this for 20 years. He could not see any cut made here.

MR. RUBINO asked if the project would go down completely if this cut was made?

MR. DONAHUE stated that this Board authorized an agreement with the state and has to meet certain state requirements. The state is doing the bulk of the work for the replacement of the bridge. The city is doing the work to bring the roadway up to meet the bridge. That is what our share is for. Mr. Donahue said that if we do not provide our share, there will be no new Selleck Street bridge.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to cut \$900,000 from line 330.262 Selleck Street bridge. DEFEATED by a voice vote with three yes votes; Mr. Rubino, Mrs. Maihock and Mr. Jetta.

The bottom line for Public Works - Engineering is \$1,480,000.

PAGE 222 - PUBLIC WORKS - SEWAGE PLANT - no reductions - bottom line is \$2,205,000.

PAGE 224 - PUBLIC WORKS - INCINERATOR - no reductions - bottom line is \$171,805.

PAGE 225 - PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION - no reductions - bottom line is \$65,961.

PAGE 226 - PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION - no reductions - bottom line is \$489,949.

PAGE 229 - POLICE - COMM. & DISPATCH ENTER - no reductions - bottom line is \$1,400,000.

PAGE 230 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - no reductions - bottom line is \$21,000.

PAGE 231 - NEW HOPE FIRE COMPANY - no reductions - bottom line is \$463,000.

PAGE 232 - LONG RIDGE FIRE DEPARTMENT - no reductions - bottom line is \$75,000.

PAGE 236 - PARKS & NATURAL RESOURCES - no reductions - bottom line is \$341,900.

PAGE 242 - RECREATION DEPARTMENT - no reductions - bottom is is \$47,897.

PAGE 245 - E. G. BRENNEN MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE - no reductions - bottom line is \$24,000.

PAGE 246 - FERGUSON LIBRARY - no reductions - bottom line is \$25,000.

PAGE 248 - STAMFORD MUSEUM AND NATURE CENTER - no reductions - bottom line is \$30,300.

MR. DONAHUE turned the Chair over to Ms. Rinaldi for the Capital Projects budget for the Board of Education. Mr. Donahue left the Floor.

PAGE 252 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - no reductions - bottom line is \$1,860,871.

TOTAL CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET IS \$19,177,783. - Total cuts made \$69,000.

MR. DONAHUE Moved for the adoption of the resolution approving the operating and capital projects budgets for fiscal year 7/1/88 to 6/30/89. The operating budget is \$223,321,923 and the capital projects budget is \$19,117,783. Total budget is \$242,439,706. The motion was Seconded. A copy of the resolution is attached to these Minutes.

MR. DeLuca said that he wants the Record to show that he will vote against the budget. He said that he could not support a 9% increase in the operating budget when the inflation rate is approximately 4% for the last few years. He said that he heard much regarding the salary increases but thinks about the senior citizens living in our city who have to live on fixed incomes. They have to tighten their belts now. Mr. DeLuca wanted to be recorded as a no vote on the budget.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that she will also vote no on this budget. She said that she felt it was an irresponsible amount of money for the taxpayers in the City of Stamford to pay.

MR. RUBINO said that he concurred with Mr. DeLuca and Mrs. Maihock. He said the adoption of the budget would show an indifference to the plight of the Stamford taxpayer.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on the adoption of the budget. APPROVED by a vote of 24 yes, 10 no and 1 abstention.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN thanked Mr. Donahue and his Committee for a job well done.

MR. DONAHUE thanked his Committee and all members of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT: Upon a motion duly made and Seconded, and Approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

By Anne A. Kachaluba
Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant
and Recording Secretary
20th Board of Representatives

APPROVED:

Sandra Goldstein
Sandra Goldstein, President
20th Board of Representatives

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Enclosures

STAMVOTE - ATTENDANCE

20:29:44

05-11-1988

NO	NAME
1	PRS EVANKO, JUDITH
2	PRS NAKIAN, MARIA
3	PRS PIA, THOMAS
4	N/P OWENS, BOBBY
5	N/P MC GRATH, PATRICIA
6	PRS LYONS, RICHARD
7	PRS JETTA, KURT
8	PRS RYBNICK, GERALD
9	PRS MOLLO, FRANK
10	PRS BURKE, THOMAS
11	PRS MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	PRS MARTIN, DAVID
13	PRS DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	N/P ESPOSITO, STANLEY
15	PRS MC MANUS, WILLIAM
16	PRS FEDELE, MICHAEL
17	PRS RUBINO, JAMES
18	N/P BROMLEY, ELLEN
19	PRS REILLY, KATHLEEN
20	PRS SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

NOT PRESENT 7

NO	NAME
21	PRS LIVINGSTON, JEREMIAH
22	N/P CLEAR, THOMAS
23	PRS WIDER, LATHON
24	PRS DONAHUE, DONALD
25	PRS PERILLO, MILDRED
26	PRS PAVIA, NICHOLAS
27	N/P MITCHELL, ELAINE
28	N/P CARDILLO, DOMINICK
29	PRS MORRIS, SCOTT
30	PRS PAINTER, CATHY
31	PRS ZELINSKI, JOHN
32	PRS SCHOENFELD, NAOMI
33	PRS DE ROSE, JOSEPH
34	PRS POWERS, RUTH
35	PRS BLUM, DAVID
36	PRS JACHIMCZYK, DAVID
37	PRS RINALDI, MARY LOU
38	PRS RUSSO, THOMAS
39	PRS BOCCUZZI, JOHN
40	PRS GOLDSTEIN, SANDRA

PRESENT 33

STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

05-11-1988

20:32:19

NO	NAME
1	YES EVANKO, JUDITH
2	YES NAKIAN, MARIA
3	YES PIA, THOMAS
4	N/P OWENS, BOBBY
5	N/P MC GRATH, PATRICIA
6	YES LYONS, RICHARD
7	YES JETTA, KURT
8	YES RYBNICK, GERALD
9	YES MOLLO, FRANK
10	YES BURKE, THOMAS
11	YES MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	YES MARTIN, DAVID
13	YES DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	N/P ESPOSITO, STANLEY
15	YES MC MANUS, WILLIAM
16	YES FEDELE, MICHAEL
17	YES RUBINO, JAMES
18	N/P BROMLEY, ELLEN
19	YES REILLY, KATHLEEN
20	YES SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

N/P 7 N/V 0

TEST VOTE YES

NO	NAME
21	YES LIVINGSTON, JEREMIAH
22	N/P CLEAR, THOMAS
23	YES WIDER, LATHON
24	YES DONAHUE, DONALD
25	YES PERILLO, MILDRED
26	YES PAVIA, NICHOLAS
27	N/P MITCHELL, ELAINE
28	N/P CARDILLO, DOMINICK
29	YES MORRIS, SCOTT
30	YES PAINTER, CATHY
31	YES ZELINSKI, JOHN
32	YES SCHOENFELD, NAOMI
33	YES DE ROSE, JOSEPH
34	YES POWERS, RUTH
35	YES BLUM, DAVID
36	YES JACHIMCZYK, DAVID
37	YES RINALDI, MARY LOU
38	YES RUSSO, THOMAS
39	YES BOCCUZZI, JOHN
40	YES GOLDSTEIN, SANDRA

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