

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1990

21ST BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 21st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, October 1, 1990, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 p.m. by President Sandra Goldstein, after both political parties had met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Rep. Garry Clemmons, D-3.

"Let us bow our heads. Heavenly, Father, as we stand before You this evening, we ask that You go with us and guide us in the path so that we would do the things that are requested of us by our voters and the things that are right in your sight. We ask this in all things in your name. Amen."

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

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 35 members present and five absent. Absent and excused were Reps. Mildred Perillo, David Jachimczyk, Elaine Mitchell, Naomi Schoenfeld and Robert DeLuca.

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: Test votes were taken by President Sandra Goldstein. The machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late Michael DeAngelis submitted by Rep. John M. Zimmerman, D-17th District.

"A Moment of Silence for the late Michael DeAngelis, a retired self-employed stone mason who died Wednesday, September 19th at the age of 94. Mr. DeAngelis was a 75-year resident of Stamford and built many of the walls at the Stamford Museum and Nature Center and did much of the masonry work on the buildings as well. He also was one of the last surviving U.S. veterans of World War I and was a member of the VFW Springdale Post #9617. Mr. DeAngelis is survived by his two sons, Ralph and Nicolo DeAngelis both of Stamford and two daughters Patricia Antoinette Mucci of Darien and Valverdina Lux of Fairfield; 16 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. Sincerest sympathy to all."

For the late Arthur G. Moavero, Sr. submitted by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, 11th District.

"A Moment of Silence for the late Arthur G. Moavero, Sr. Mr. Moavero was the head custodian in the Stamford Public Schools until his retirement in 1981, after 31 years of service."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

"For the late John J. Feighery, Sr. submitted by Rep. Philip R. Stork, 15th District.

"I respectfully request a Moment of Silence for the late John J. Feighery, Sr. John J. Feighery, Sr. lived at 3 Ridgewood Avenue. He passed away on September 17th at the age of 72. Mr. Feighery was a retired supermarket general manager and was a lifelong resident of Stamford. He was an Army veteran of World War II and was a member of the 66th Panther Veterans Organization and was also a third degree Knights of Columbus member, St. Augustine Council. In addition to his wife, Agnes, he is survived by four sons, a daughter, two brothers, two sisters and 14 grandchildren. Mr. Feighery will be missed and I extend my condolences to his family."

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN on behalf of the Board, extended prayers to Naomi Schoenfeld who is in Stamford Hospital.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairperson Sandra Goldstein

REPORT.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to waive the reading of the Steering Committee report. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, September 12, 1990, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by Chairwoman Sandra Goldstein who declared a quorum.

Present at the meeting:

Sandra Goldstein, Chairwoman	John J. Boccuzzi	John Zimmerman
Scott Morris	Thomas Pia	W. Dennis White
Richard Lyons	Audrey Maihock	Ruth Powers
Mary Lou Rinaldi	Robert DeLuca	John R. Zelinsky
James Rubino	Maria Nakian	John Roman, WSTC
David Martin	Frank Mollo	Anne Kachaluba

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered Held in Steering was the one name appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 10 of the 11 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off the Agenda was the Status report on the Sense-of-the-Board Resolution Concerning Economic Development.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were five of the nine items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Moved to the Health and Protection Committee was Review of Chapter 160 of the Code Concerning Microwave Transmitters. Ordered on the Agenda was one item brought up under Suspension of Rules and that was a Request for a waiver and refund of building permit fee paid by the Stamford Baptist Church. Ordered on the Pending Agenda were two items; Proposed ordinance Amending Sec. 111-11 of the Code re leash law and proposed ordinance requiring the purchase and use of recycled paper by the city. Ordered off the Tentative Steering Agenda was the review of policy and procedures re the issuing of bids and proposals for expiring contracts.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were two of the five items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Moved to the Labor Relations Committee was one item; The ratification of agreement between the city and the firefighters. Ordered off the Agenda were two items; Matter of binding arbitration and Future action to be taken re current state binding arbitration process.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Moved on the Agenda from the Environmental Protection Committee was the Review of private collection services.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and two items appearing on the Pending Agenda: Matter of Fire Department personnel not being able to take vehicles home and Status report on merger of Emergency Medical Services.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - There were no items on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Pending Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda re power outages in Stamford.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were two of the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off the the Agenda was the Matter of Housing & Community Development Committee requesting Housing and Urban Development to review and investigate the Stamford Community Development Block Grant Program.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Moved to the Public Works and Sewer Committee was the Review of Private Collection Services.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HOUSE COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Pending Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and that item was a Report from Coliseum Authority Task Force funding for art groups.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item Moved from the Personnel Committee, the Agreement between the city and firefighters.

RESOLUTIONS - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon a motion made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Sandra Goldstein, Chairwoman
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Mildred Perillo, Chairwoman - No report.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Richard Lyons, Chairman

MR. LYONS said the Fiscal Committee met on Wednesday, September 26, 1990, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Reps. Lyons, Powers, Zimmerman, Mollo, Clemmons and Hogan. Mr. Lyons said the Committee reconvened this evening at 6:30 p.m. Present were Reps. Lyons, Powers, Zimmerman, Mollo, Clemmons, Hogan, Pavia, Esposito, and Martin.

Mr. Lyons placed items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committee concurred or waived the Secondary Committee report.

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CREATING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. Submitted by Rep. James Rubino, R-7, 8/15/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. \$ 28,282.00 - SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - CODE 510-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation request to hire one additional caseworker. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani, 7/27/90. Board of Finance approved 8/14/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MR. LYONS said the Committee voted five in favor and four opposed to approve item two. Mr. Lyons said the Department requested additional staff because the caseload has gone from 453 per month to approximately 950 per month. Mr. Lyons said there is a state mandate to advise recipients within a four-day period whether they are eligible or not; currently, it runs at a 10-day period. Mr. Lyons said there was an agreement with the Connecticut Legal Services to add an additional caseworker to meet the state mandate and if this is not done, the city may be sued.

Mr. Lyons Moved for approval. Seconded.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. ZELINSKY Moved to waive the Secondary Committee report. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to waive the Secondary Committee report. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. PAVIA Moved to return item two to Committee for further discussion. He said he was not satisfied with many of the answers. Seconded.

MR. ESPOSITO said there were a numbers of questions to be answered and he would like to have some of the principals appear again to answer some of the them.

MR. LYONS urged his colleagues not to return the item to Committee. He said there has been much discussion on the item in Committee and out of Committee. He said the item was held for two months, and the questions for the need of a caseworker have been answered. Mr. Lyons said if there is any other issue or matter regarding a position, that issue has to be decided separately.

MR. BLUM stated that he would like to see the item returned to Committee. He said there was a need for another caseworker but he stated that many questions have not been answered throughly.

MR. ESPOSITO said the case was made for another caseworker, however, he said the caseworker position seems to incorporate another job description which previously was a separate entity out of the Mayor's office. He said he wanted further answers.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to return item two to Committee. DEFEATED by a vote of 18 no and 16 yes votes.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked that the Board approve the appropriation. He said that we were trying to solve a problem that is elsewhere and the problem will not be solved by turning down the appropriation. Mr. Boccuzzi said the appropriation request is strictly for a caseworker for the Social Services Department to handle the overload of cases.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve item two. DEFEATED by a vote of 19 yes, 15 no votes and one abstention. President Goldstein stated that a two-thirds vote was required for the appropriation to be approved with a minimum of 21 votes. In this instance, 24 votes were needed.

3. \$199,820.00 - LABOR NEGOTIATIONS - DEPARTMENT 999 - VARIOUS CODES - SALARY ADJUSTMENTS TO FUND ARBITRATION AWARD FOR NURSES. For fiscal year 1990/91. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani, 7/25/90. Board of Finance approved 8/14/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90. (\$204,426 for fiscal year 1990/91 and \$200,414 for fiscal year 1989/90 retro approved 9/10/90).

HELD IN COMMITTEE

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE/LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

4. \$ 4,000.00 - YOUTH DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION GRANT - CODE 204-7525
DIRECT SERVICES - additional appropriation to cover
donations acquired by the Mayor's Commission for the
Prevention of Youth Alcohol and Substance Abuse. Request
by Mayor Thom Serrani 9/4/90. Board of Finance approved
on 9/13/90.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

5. \$ 7,080.00 - DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION GRANT - CODE 204.VARIOUS -
additional appropriation request to cover grant that will
be received from Connecticut Alcohol and Drug Abuse
Commission. Funds designated to support prevention goals
of Mayor's Commission for Prevention of Youth Alcohol and
Substance Abuse.
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| Code 204-2923 Copying and printing | \$1,223 |
| Code 204-2930 Supplies | \$3,733 |
| Code 204-5150 Professional consultants | \$2,124 |
- Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 9/11/90. Board of Finance
approved 9/13/90.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

6. \$ 150,247.00 - LABOR NEGOTIATIONS - NON-UNION ADMINISTRATORS - DEPARTMENT
999 - (amended) additional appropriation to grant salary
increases retroactive to July 1, 1989, in accordance with
the previously approved Pay Plan; to be allocated as
follows:

Mayor's Office	201.1110 salaries	\$ 10,165
Risk Manager	247.1110 salaries	6,245
Assessor	250.1110 salaries	3,341 *
Personnel Dept.	270.1110 salaries	7,165
Labor Negotiator	271.1110 salaries	6,605
Traffic & Parking	280.1110 salaries	6,116
Police Dept.	410.1110 salaries	24,806
Fire Dept.	450.1110 salaries	10,338 *
Emergency Mgmt.	452.1110 salaries	3,494
Health Dept.	550.1110 salaries	9,098
Parks & Recreation	601.1110 salaries	<u>7,168</u>
Total for year 90/91		\$ 94,541
For year 1989/90 - 994.9202 retro pay		<u>55,707</u>
Two year total		\$150,247 *

Note: Following departments not included because
sufficient funds are available to implement pay plan; 102
Board of Representatives, 103 Board of Finance & 230 Law
Department.

Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 8/31/90. Board of Finance
approved 9/13/90.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

7. \$821,070.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - STATE DRUG ENFORCEMENT GRANT - additional appropriation to cover grant from State to implement the Drug Enforcement Program.
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| 429 Narcotics Enforcement Grant (Education) | | |
| 429.1110 salaries | \$ 71,982 | |
| 429.1201 overtime | 18,012 | |
| 429.1310 FICA | 2,087 | |
| 429.1330 medical & life | 12,816 | |
| 429.1390 insurance | 2,399 | |
| 429.3460 Education & training | <u>10,000</u> | 117,296 |
| 430 Narcotics Enforcement Grant (Enforcement) | | |
| 430.1110 salaries | \$167,958 | |
| 430.1201 overtime | 473,155 | |
| 430.1310 FICA (.029) | 4,871 | |
| 430.1330 medical & life | 22,192 | |
| 430.1390 insurance | 5,598 | |
| 430.3460 education & training | 15,000 | |
| 430.3422 major investigations | <u>15,000</u> | <u>703,774</u> |
| Total | | \$821,070 |
- Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 8/29/90. Board of Finance approved 9/13/90.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

8. \$ 4,582.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - STERLING FARMS THEATRE - CODE 642.3370 PERFORMING ARTS - additional appropriation to correct budget transcription error. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 7/30/90. Board of Finance approved 9/13/90.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

9. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE BROAD STREET BRIDGE UNDER THE LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani, 9/6/90.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

10. PROPOSED RESOLUTION ENABLING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO RECEIVE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR THE PURPOSES OF ALLOWING THE CITY OF STAMFORD, THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO OPERATE A SUPPLEMENTAL FOOD PROGRAM FOR LOW INCOME WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN, ENTIRELY FINANCED BY THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS. (WIC PROGRAM) Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani, 9/6/90.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LYONS Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian & David Martin, Co-Chairpersons

MRS. NAKIAN said the Legislative and Rules Committee met on Tuesday, September 25, 1990, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Nakian, Domonkos, Esposito, Fedele, Larobina, Maihock, Mellis, Rubino and Zelinsky. Rep. Martin was excused. A complete report of the meeting was sent to all members.

Mrs. Nakian placed item one on the Consent Agenda.

1. (L&R21.39) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING RENT RELIEF FOR ELDERLY RENTERS OR PERSONS WITH PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITY. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani, 8/2/90. Approved for publication 9/10/90.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

2. (L&R21.40) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR THE ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COUNCIL, INC. LOCATED AT 929 NEWFIELD AVENUE., Requested by Mr. Manuel Fonseca, The Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council, Inc., 159 Colonial Road, Stamford, GT 06906, 7/31/90. Approved for publication 9/10/90.

MRS. NAKIAN said the property was purchased on July 5, 1989 by the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council and removed from the 1990 Grand list by the Tax Assessor. Mrs. Nakian said the abatement on the Agenda was for a small period of time being between the date of purchase and the time it was taken off the Grand list. She said the amount of the tax abatement was for approximately \$4,600.

Mrs. Nakian said a question was raised as to the use of the building. The Committee report stated that the Newfield Avenue home will be the new home of Meridian House. It will be a 14 bed halfway house for recovering alcoholic adults who have completed a 28 day rehab program but lack a home and family support system necessary to continue their progress to recovers.

Mrs. Nakian said the Committee voted five in favor and one opposed with no abstentions to approve the request for tax abatement. Mrs. Nakian Moved for approval. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve for final adoption, the proposed ordinance concerning tax abatement for the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Council. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mrs. Maihock and one abstention, Mrs. Powers.

3. (L&R21.42) REVIEW OF BIDDING PROCESS. Requested by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 8/15/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

4. (L&R21.43) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE REGARDING THE USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR BUSINESS TRAVEL AND EXPENSES. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 8/15/90. Approved for publication 9/10/90.

MRS. NAKIAN said the ordinance was in response to the fact that the city does not have any written central policy regarding the use of city funds for business travel. She said the Committee voted six in favor, none opposed with two abstentions for approval. She Moved for approval. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said the ordinance was unnecessary in view of the fact that Mayor Serrani submitted his travel and expense policy on September 14, 1990; the policy was received by all members.

MR. MARTIN said that the present mayor or any other mayor could decide to change the policy with no requirements that the Board of Representatives or the Board of Finance be notified. This ordinance mandates that a policy will be in place and also mandates that the policy shall be approved by the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives, and any changes must be approved by the Boards.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to approve for final adoption the proposed ordinance regarding the use of city funds for business travel and expenses. APPROVED by a vote of 31 yes and one no vote.

5. (L&R21.44) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR BIDDING PROCESS PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION C5-100-4. Submitted by Reps. Sandra Goldstein, D-16, David Martin, D-19 and Maria Nakian, D-20, 8/22/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

6. (L&R21.47) REQUEST FOR WAIVER AND REFUND OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200 PAID BY STAMFORD BAPTIST CHURCH, 602 HIGH RIDGE ROAD, STAMFORD, CT. FOR RENOVATIONS. Requested by Mr. John A. Howard, 26 Fawn Drive, Stamford, CT 06905, 9/11/90.

MRS. NAKIAN said the Church is in the process of renovating to comply with the State's safety code. She said the fee for the permit was \$200.00. The Committee voted six in favor, one opposed and one abstention to approve the request. Mrs. Nakian Moved for approval. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that in the past, she has voted to approve all tax abatements for religious organizations; however, she said that by paying for building permits, a great amount of money could be encumbered by the city. Mrs. Maihock said she would not vote yes on this item.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve a waiver and refund of \$200 for the Stamford Baptist Church. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mrs. Maihock and one abstention, Mrs. Domonkos.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. NAKIAN Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

At this point in the meeting, President Goldstein introduced and welcomed Eva Weller, the new researcher for the Board of Representatives.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Scott Morris, Chairman

MR. MORRIS said the Personnel Committee met on Tuesday, September 25, 1990, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Morris, Hogan, Larobina, Jachimczyk, Nanos, Stork and Zelinsky. Other present were Michael Malley, representing Local 145; Thomas Fava, President of the Municipal Administrators Association Local 2657; Jacqueline Zerrenner, Vice President of the Union representing workers of the Stamford Housing Authority; David W. Kadeg, representing the School Custodians and Mechanics Union; Sim Bernstein; and Rep. Annie Summerville.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION URGING THE CONNECTICUT GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT REFORMS TO THE STATE BINDING ARBITRATION STATUTES. Submitted by Rep. Michael Larobina, D-16, 9/10/90.

Mr. Morris said the Committee voted seven to zero to approve the resolution. He Moved for approval. Seconded.

MR. BLUM stated that a two-thirds vote is needed to overturn a binding arbitration award and binding arbitration is when both sides present their case. He said if members feel that an award is always one-sided, there must be something wrong with the negotiator. Mr. Blum said to allow the resolution to go to the General Assembly is doing away with binding arbitration and he was against that.

MR. ESPOSITO asked what the outcome would be if a binding arbitration award was overturned by a two-thirds vote; what would take place?

MR. MORRIS said that he believed that the proposals the General Assembly considered during the last legislative session would call for the negotiations to go back to the respective parties to try to work out a resolution within 30 days.

MR. ESPOSITO asked if this could occur more than once?

MR. MORRIS said he did not believe it could occur more than once. He said he thought that the legislative body would only get one chance to vote on the initial arbitration award.

MR. ESPOSITO questioned what would happen if no agreement is reached and after 30 days what would happen?

MR. MORRIS stated that he would have to research Mr. Esposito's question.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. ESPOSITO asked if any representatives from the police and fire departments were present at the Committee meeting?

MR. MORRIS stated that there was no representation from those departments due to an oversight; Daniel Hunsberger of the Firefighters Union did not receive a meeting notice. Mr. Morris said he apologized to Mr. Hunsberger.

MR. ESPOSITO asked if the president of the Teachers' Union was invited?

MR. MORRIS stated that all union heads were to be invited to the meeting.

MR. ESPOSITO stated that he thought a resolution of this type should reflect the concern of all parties. Mr. Esposito said that he would like to know what the options would be if an arbitration award was rejected. He said he did not know whether it would be fair to all parties considering a two-thirds vote in a given city may be two people out of three. Mr. Esposito said he would like to see more input from all parties before the resolution is forwarded to the General Assembly.

MR. RUBINO said that he agreed with Mr. Esposito's concerns. Mr. Rubino Moved to amend the resolution: delete from the third paragraph, "should have the right to veto excessive arbitration awards with a two-thirds vote." and in the last paragraph, delete, "and that such reforms include permitting municipal governments to reject unaffordable settlements with a two-thirds majority vote." The motion was Seconded.

Mr. Rubino stated that enough is not know as to what would happen after a local legislature votes down a contract. He said that it could defeat the entire purpose of binding arbitration. He said he had no problem with changing the way arbitrators are selected if that is what the state legislature sees. He said the resolution may hinder binding arbitration which has a purpose.

MR. LYONS Moved to return the resolution to Committee for further study. Seconded.

MR. RUBINO withdrew his motion. Also, the Seconder withdrew.

MR. LYONS stated that one of his concerns was that if an award is overturned, does the contract go back for renegotiations or will the union have a right to strike? Mr. Lyons also wanted to know what the time-frame would be.

MR. RUBINO said his concerns were articulated by Mr. Lyons. Mr. Rubino said municipal unions do not have the right to strike and contracts should be settled quickly and fairly as municipal unions are different from others.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to return the resolution concerning binding arbitration to Committee. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. REQUEST BY PERSONNEL COMMISSION FOR THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE REGARDING PERSONNEL POLICY ON NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY INCLUDING SEXUAL ORIENTATION. Personnel Commission accepted policy on 8/28/90. Submitted by Sim Bernstein, Personnel Director, 8/29/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - David Jachimczyk, Chairman

MR. WHITE (reporting for Mr. Jachimczyk) - no report.

1. REVIEW OF GUIDELINES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF STREETS. Submitted by Reps. David Jachimczyk, D-4 and W. Dennis White, D-1, 8/21/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Peter Nanos, Chairman

MR. NANOS said there was no report.

1. REVIEW OF PRIVATE COLLECTION SERVICES. Submitted by Reps. Stanley Esposito, R-11, Audrey Maihock, R-19, Michael Fedele, R-13, Maria Nakian, D-20, David Martin, D-19, Ellen Mellis, D-13 and Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ruth Powers, Chairwoman

MRS. POWERS stated there was no report at this time. She said a meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 3 to consider items one, two and three and a meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 17, to consider item four.

1. REVIEW OF NOISE ORDINANCE. Submitted by Rep. David I. Blum, D-12, 7/19/90. Report made and Held in Committee 8/13/90. Held in Steering 8/22/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. REVIEW OF CHAPTER 160 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CONCERNING MICROWAVE TRANSMITTERS. Submitted by Rep. Richard L. Lyons, D-1, 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

3. MATTER OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL NOT BEING ABLE TO TAKE THEIR VEHICLES HOME. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 5/2/90. Held in Committee 6/4 and 7/9/90. (Letter sent to Mayor 7/10/90) Held on Pending Agenda 7/24/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

4. STATUS REPORT ON MERGER OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES. Submitted by Reps. Sandra Goldstein, D-16, and Ruth Powers, D-8, 7/24/90. Reports made and Held in Committee 8/13/90. Held on Pending Agenda 8/22/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Thomas Pia & Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairpersons

No report.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - John R. Zelinsky, Chairman

No report.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Frank Mollo, Chairman

MR. MOLLO said the Housing and Community Development Committee met on September 18, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Reps. Summerville, Pavia, Mitchell, Clemmons, Blum and Mollo. Also in attendance was President Goldstein and Rep. Lyons.

1. MATTER OF BUDGETED COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS NOT BEING UTILIZED FOR THEIR DESIGNATED PURPOSES AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES. Submitted by Rep. Frank Mollo, D-9, 6/13/90. Held in Committee 7/9, 8/13 and 9/10/90.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. REQUEST FOR AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,500.00 FROM THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICE CONTINGENCY FUND FOR RENOVATIONS TO SENIOR CITIZEN COMMUNITY ROOM AT THE YERWOOD CENTER. Requested by Mayor Thom Serrani, 9/6/90. This is in accordance with Ordinance No. 648 Supplemental.

MR. MOLLO said the Committee voted five in favor, none opposed with one abstention to approve the request. Mr. Mollo said the item was on the Agenda for informational purposes per Ordinance No. 684 Supplemental; no vote was required by the Board.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman

MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Urban Renewal Committee met on Wednesday, September 26, 1990 at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Michael Larobina, Bobby Owens, Maria Nakian, Fred Johnson, Anne Summerville, and Dominick Cardillo; David Martin was absent. Also in attendance were Reps. Pia and Zelinsky. Ms. Summerville stated that members of the Urban Redevelopment Commission and the new Executive Director Gerald P. Marquis were present.

1. STATUS REPORT FROM THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. Submitted by Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman, Urban Renewal Committee, 8/22/90. Held in Committee 9/10/90.

Ms. Summerville said that members of the Commission spoke regarding Blocks 8 and 9 and other matters of concern to the Commission and the city. She said the "Advocate" published two articles that covered much of what was said at the meeting. The articles are attached to these Minutes. Also, Ms. Summerville stated there was a publication in the Board office from the Commission which may be of interest to members and can be reviewed in the office. She said if anyone had any questions, she or any member of her Committee would be happy to answer them.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Stanley Esposito, Chairman

MR. ESPOSITO said the item on the Agenda was approved for final adoption at a Special Meeting held on September 24, 1990.

1. FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE AND THE SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. Submitted by Mary Sommer, Corporation Counsel, 6/13/90. Held in Committee 7/9/90. Approved for publication 8/13/90. Approved for republication 9/10/90.

APPROVED AT SPECIAL MEETING HELD 9/24/90.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - No report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - David Blum, Chairman - No report.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Chairman

MR. HOGAN wanted the record to note that he left the Chamber and did not participate in any discussion or action on the items on the Agenda.

MRS. McGRATH and MR. JOHNSON also wanted the record to note that they left the Floor and did not participate in any discussion or vote on the items on the Agenda.

Mr. Hogan said John Boccuzzi, Majority Leader, would be reporting on the item.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Labor Relations Committee met on Thursday, September 27, 1990. Present at the meeting were Reps. Ruth Powers, Richard Lyons, James Rubino, John Hogan, John Boccuzzi, and John Zelinsky. Also attending were Thomas Barrett, Labor Negotiator who spoke regarding the contract and Daniel Hunsberger, President of the Firefighters Union. Mr. Hunsberger did not speak at the meeting. John Roman of WSTC also attended the meeting.

1. REPORT ON AGREEMENT REACHED BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL 785 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS FOR THREE (3) YEAR AGREEMENT, JULY 1, 1990 TO JUNE 30, 1993. Submitted by John J. Hogan, Chairman, Labor Relations Committee, 9/11/90. (Reported on in item two)
2. RATIFICATION OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS, LOCAL 786. AGREEMENT IS FOR THREE YEARS, 7/1/90 TO 6/30/93; 6-1/2% increase in first year effective 7/1/90; 2% effective 7/1/91; 2-1/2% effective 1/1/92; 2% effective 7/1/92; 2-1/2% effective 1/1/93; and other related issues. Action must be taken with 30 days from 9/10/90. Submitted by Mayor Thom Sererani, 9/10/90. Board of Finance will issue advisory opinion.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Committee discussed the contract at length and there was much discussion as to the contents and the numbers, etc.; the Committee voted three in opposition with one abstention to deny the contract.

Mr. Boccuzzi Moved for approval of the contract noting that the Committee voted against the contract. The Motion was Seconded.

MR. LYONS Moved to return item two to Committee. Seconded.

MR. LYONS said as a member of the Committee he voted negatively. He said the numbers presented to him were confusing and perhaps erroneous. Mr. Lyons said the Board of Finance issued a report showing an increase from 8 to 20% depending upon the year; the labor negotiator said those numbers were in error but the numbers presented by the negotiator did not convince or show support that the other numbers were in error. Mr. Lyons said that he had conversed with Capt. Hunsberger and the Captain presented him with information which was at odds with what he heard at the meeting.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LYONS stated that to recommit the item would mean a Special Meeting would have to be called on or before October 10 to vote on the contract; if this was not done, the contract would automatically be approved by midnight, the 10th of October if no action was taken.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said the motion to recommit would be for the Committee to analyze the disparity in the numbers and have the numbers justified by the negotiating parties.

MR. ZELINSKY (requested that his remarks be recorded verbatim)

MR. ZELINSKY: "Thank you, Madam President. I am strongly opposed to recommitting a vote tonight to approve the Firefighters' contract, and my reasons are very simple; 1. The Committee did have a meeting, they discussed it, I was at that meeting. If indeed, there were questions as far as final figures and numbers other than the percentage increases and the major changes in the contract, the information should have been gotten before tonight's meeting and another meeting should have been called. It is not fair to the members of this Body that plan to vote on this contract tonight to have to come to another special meeting which possibly we may not have a quorum depending too on when that date is because today is October first, we're talking nine days from today to send out a notice and so forth and have the Committee publish a notice and so forth and for those reasons, I think, no matter what the numbers are, so long as the percentage increases and the other benefits and changes in the contract that don't affect the actual dollar figures are not going to make a difference one way or the other. 'I don't think one member of this Body is going to change their vote on a corrected figure. We are talking about the basics of this contract of the firefighters who protect us and I think it would be an injustice to send this back to Committee tonight. Thank you."

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that if the Board votes to recommit, the Chair will call a Special Meeting for October 10, the last possible day that the Board can meet on the contract. President Goldstein said the Committee would have to do their research and call a meeting.

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that as a member of the Committee, he had no objections to returning the contract to Committee. Mr. Boccuzzi said he wanted to make certain the Committee is instructed as to what the Board is looking for and what information is to come forward. Mr. Boccuzzi said in answer to Mr. Zelinsky, some ground rules were set forth at the beginning of the meeting and certain people with information were unable to speak at the meeting. Mr. Boccuzzi said that was no reflection on anyone as ground rules were established at the start of the meeting. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that if information is to be obtained, no one should be stopped from speaking.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that what Mr. Boccuzzi wanted was that all parties be given the opportunity to speak on the numbers and any other items brought up before the Committee.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he hoped that all parties that were asked to appear would be present at the meeting. Mr. Boccuzzi stated the contract was very important to the city this year and will be for the coming years.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. BLUM said the policemen's contract was ratified without going through all the questions that are being asked regarding the firemen's contract. He asked why the Commissioner of Finance, although working part-time, was not brought in to discuss the financial end as to what the cost of the contract would be? Mr. Blum said he would vote against the item being returned to Committee. He said the contract should be either approved or denied.

MR. RUBINO said he disagreed with Mr. Zelinsky. Mr. Rubino said he did not hear enough at the meeting regarding information leading to the development of the projected cost of the pension enhancement incentive. He asked if Mr. Merlob, the city's actuary could come forth with more information on the assumption that he used. Mr. Rubino said that was the problem most Committee members had with the contract.

MR. ESPOSITO Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on returning to Committee the agreement between the city and the firefighters. The motion was APPROVED by a vote of 27 yes and 5 no votes with 3 not voting.

President Goldstein stated a Call for a Special Meeting on October 10th will be sent out to consider the contract.

MR. ZELINSKY: "Yes, thank you, Madam President. My only concern was as I believed it was mentioned by one or two of my colleagues pertaining to the meeting, all we heard was from the labor negotiator and I think it certainly would be appropriate, it has been the practice in the past of the Personnel Committee which previously handled contracts to hear from the union's side if they want to give a statement or comment which has always been accepted in the past. Thank you."

RESOLUTIONS

MR. MORRIS Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up a resolution not on the Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED with no dissenting votes.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1990 AS UNITED NATIONS DAY. Submitted by Rep. Scott A. Morris, D-17, 10/1/90.

MR. MORRIS Moved to approve the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MINUTES

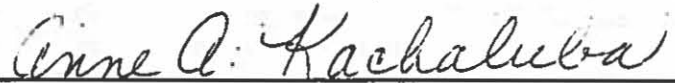
1. AUGUST 13, 1990 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Held.
2. SEPTEMBER 10, 1990 BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS - None.

OLD BUSINESS - Mr. Zelinsky said he and several of his colleagues were invited and attended a meeting of a Social Studies Class at Rippowam Center and spoke to the students in the class. Mr. Zelinsky said he would give the names of the representatives that attended at the next meeting.

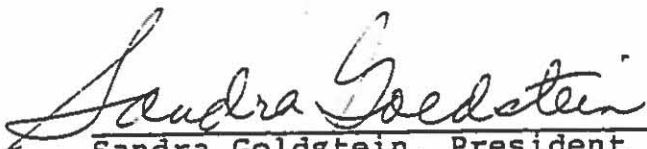
NEW BUSINESS - A resolution was approved changing the date of the November meeting from November 12 to November 7, 1990.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m. after the motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved.



Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant
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21st Board of Representatives

APPROVED:



Sandra Goldstein, President
21st Board of Representatives

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Enclosures