

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1992

22ND BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 22nd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, April 6, 1992, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:17 p.m. by President Richard L. Lyons.

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

"Let us bow our heads. As we assemble this evening, we ask for divine wisdom and understanding as we deal with the issues before us. Amen"

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Richard L. Lyons

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD:

PRESIDENT LYONS read a letter of resignation from Rep. Frank A. Mollo, 9th District:

"Dear President Lyons.

"As you are aware, due to my future relocation out of the Stamford area, I had planned to resign from the Board of Representatives at the May, 1992 meeting. However, my new home became available earlier than I anticipated, therefore, I decided to relocate from 40 DePinedo Avenue earlier. As of this date, Monday, April 6, 1992, I no longer legally reside in the 9th District or the City of Stamford.

"Therefore, I ask that you take this letter as my resignation from the Stamford Board of Representatives. In my place, I would ask that you and my former colleagues appoint and confirm Mr. Jeff Curtis to complete my current term. I strongly feel Mr. Curtis is most qualified to serve and would represent the 9th District well. Jeff definitely would be an asset to the Board.

"In closing, I would like to thank each and every one of the members for their support and friendship over the years. I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve with all of you; you are to be commended for your dedicated service to the City. The citizens of Stamford should be proud to have such a knowledgeable and dedicated legislative body.

"Lastly, I would like to publicly thank the constituents of the 9th District, who have always staunchly supported me both in the past and present. I would hope to think that I have served them well. I am proud of my record of service to my constituents and the City of Stamford and am grateful to have had the opportunity to serve Stamford and its citizens.

"Sincerely

/s/ Frank A. Mollo"

PRESIDENT LYONS said that Frank will be missed by the Board and the City.

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD: (continued)

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that Frank was a good representative; they didn't always agree but Frank was a hard working representative and you always knew where you stood with him and for that, he always respected Frank.

NOMINATIONS TO FILL A VACANT SEAT: Pursuant to Charter Sec. 2-10-3, nominations were in order to fill the seat in the 9th District vacated by the resignation of Frank A. Mollo.

MR. BOCCUZZI nominated Mr. Jeffrey Curtis, of 22 DePinedo Avenue to fill the seat in the 9th District vacated by Frank A. Mollo. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Mr. Curtis for a seat in the 9th District. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Curtis. Congratulations were extended and Mr. Curtis took his seat.

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 34 members present and six absent. Absent were Fred Johnson (excused), Michael Larobina, Mildred Perillo, Judith Evanko, Kurt Jetta and Bobby Owens (excused).

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE was taken by President Richard L. Lyons; the machine was in good working order.

MRS. DOMONKOS Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up an item not on the Agenda and out of sequence. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Suspension of the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING THE STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL 1991-1992 BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM. Submitted by Rep. Carmen L. Domonkos, D-18th, 4/6/92.

MRS. DOMONKOS Moved for approval. Seconded.

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

President Lyons introduced James Moriarty, Coach of the Stamford High School State Championship Basketball Team.

Coach Moriarty introduced his Assistant Coach Ed Kelsey and Second Assistant Coach Curtis Tinnin; also, introduced was the Championship Basketball team; Ron Fields, Issac Johnson, Menlick Mahon, Germain Byrd, Terence Corley, Earl Garner, Tyrone Powell, Thomas Glover, Lou Cardillo, Rondu Cobb, John Jennings and Greg Riley. Tyrone Powell was selected for the All State First Team and Germain Byrd made the All State Second Team.

President Lyons presented the resolution to Coach Moriarity. He said the team and coaches have made Stamford High and the City proud. The Board applauded and the Coach thanked the Board for the honor.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late MARY MacFARLAND requested by Rep. Audrey Maihock, 19th District.
"Mary MacFarland, a resident of Stamford for 32 years, died March 27, 1992.

"Mary was very involved in many activities and responsibilities at St. Francis Episcopal Church. Her contributions were much appreciated, and she was dearly loved by the parish. She had countless "best friends."

"She was a Girl Scout leader for 15 years, and a volunteer at the Stamford Historical Society.

"Mary was among the talented, dedicated ladies who produced the beautiful hand-sewn quilt to honor the City of Stamford on its 350th Birthday celebration.

"Mary was a doer, who inspired others to keep busy too. We greatly miss her caring, loving personality.

"Our sincere sympathy to her family."

For the late EDWARD D. LYNCH, JR. requested by Rep. Audrey Maihock, 19th District.

"Edward Lynch was a resident of Stamford for 28 years, who died on March 5, 1992.

"Edward Lynch had a very successful business career as a regional administrator for Westinghouse, but he had many hobbies also, which he used many times to benefit others. Patients of Smith House remember him for his generous, thoughtful and conscientious efforts to help them in various ways, from repair work on wheel chairs to using his design talents and carpentry skills to make improvements so life would be more pleasant for them. He designed and constructed two planters on either side of the entry doorway, two carts which permitted patients to enjoy planting, an easel, etc.

"He was a leader of a Scout Troop. Also, he served in 1988 as President of the Senior Men's Association.

"He served for two years as the head of the Personnel Commission under Mayor Lenz's Administration. There were problems and contention to deal with, but he took it in stride, which is the way he dealt with life. He met problems head-on as they occurred with confidence and his best efforts.

"Edward Lynch was a dedicated, most productive asset to our community.

"Our heartfelt sympathy goes to his beloved wife, Ruth, and family."

For the late MARY ESPOSITO requested by members of the 22nd Board of Representatives. "Mary Esposito was the mother of our Mayor, Stanley J. Esposito. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mayor Esposito and members of the family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late ALEXANDER B. FUSCI requested by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi of the 2nd District. "Mr. Fusci died as the result of an accident. He was a postal clerk for the U. S. Postal Service and retired in 1978. He is survived by his mother Mary Fusci Ottaviano; two brothers, Joseph G. Fusci, Jr. and Frederick Fusci; two sisters, Mary Murphy and Christine Gennaria. He was predeceased by his stepfather, Nicholas Ottaviano. Sincerest sympathy is extended to his mother, Mary and family."

For the late MARY T. COUGHLIN requested by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi of the 2nd District. "Mary Coughlin died at the age of 94. She is survived by four sisters, Doris Scalise, Marguerite Rousseau, Maude Angelo and Helen Nollman; one brother, James Coughlin and many nieces and nephews and grand nieces and nephews. Sincerest sympathy is extended to her family."

For the late HAROLD LINSLEY requested by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi of the 2nd District. "Harold E. Linsley, was a former judge in the Stamford City Court and former state representative. Mr. Linsley served as Chairman of the Stamford Democratic Party during Governor Abraham Ribicoff's administration. He practiced law in Stamford for 40 years before retiring in 1975. He was a member of many organizations and did voluntary legal work. Mr. Linsley is survived by his wife, Ruth Z. Linsley; two daughters, Leslie Linsley Aron and Madeline Smith; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Sincerest sympathy is extended to his wife, Ruth and family."

For the late MARY RABITA requested by Rep. Joseph Lovallo of the 15th District. "Mary Rabita was a homemaker and lived in Stamford for 65 years. She is survived by two sons, Joseph A. Rabita, Jr. and Louis S. Rabita; a stepdaughter, Nancy Vaccaro; a stepson, Salvatore Rabita; three sisters, Peggy Intrieri, Yolanda Iannaccone and Pearl Vagnone; nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild. Mrs. Rabita was predeceased by her husband Joseph A. Rabita, Sr. in 1970. Sincerest sympathy is extended to her family."

For the late EDWARD "NED" ABATE requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky of the 11th District. "Edward "Ned" Abate was an honor student at King and Low-Heywood Thomas School. He died of cardiac arrest. He was 16 years of age. He was the son of Barbara Zempel and Ernest N. Abate, a Stamford attorney and former Speaker of the State House of Representatives. My sincerest sympathy is extended to his family and relatives."

For the late CHARLES NOSAL requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky of the 11th District. "Mr. Nosal served as secretary of the Stamford Planning Board. He is survived by his wife, Halina, two sons, a sister and two brothers, one of whom lives in my district. My sincerest sympathy is extended to his family and relatives."

For the late ANTHONY S. ESPOSITO requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky of the 11th District. "Mr. Esposito was a member of the first Stamford Fair Rent Commission. He is survived by two daughters. Sincerest sympathy is extended to his family."

For the late MARIE P. ROMANIELLO requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky of the 11th District. She is survived by her husband, Daniel A., a son and two daughters. Sincerest sympathy is extended to her family."

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairman Richard L. Lyons

REPORT. Waived.

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

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, March 11, 1992, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Rep. Annie M. Summerville who declared a quorum. Chairman Richard Lyons could not attend the meeting.

Present at the meeting:

Annie M. Summerville, Acting Chair	Bobby Owens	Marggie Laurie
Audrey Maihock	Joseph Gergle	Mary Lou Rinaldi
Ellen Bromley	James Rubino	Philip Stork
John Hogan	Maria Nakian	John Boccuzzi
Robert DeLuca	William Kosbob	Thomas Pia
W. Dennis White	Carmen Domonkos	John Roman, WSTC
Donald Sherer	Garry Clemmons	Anne Kachaluba
David Martin	John R. Zelinsky	

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were six of the eight items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one from the Addenda; ordered off the Agenda were two names which were withdrawn by the Mayor; Camille Harlow for the Zoning Board and Gino Giusti for the Personnel Board of Appeals.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 17 of the 18 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; also ordered on the Agenda were six of the seven items appearing on the Addenda and one item that was inadvertently left off the Agenda. Ordered off the Agenda was a Sense-of-the-Board Resolution concerning aid to families with dependent children and one item from the Addenda which was \$10,625 for the Mayor's Office salaries for special assistant for employees relations.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were two of the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Withdrawn from the Agenda was the proposed ordinance concerning medical benefits for city employees.

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

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Pending Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda concerning septic tank disposal fees. Ordered off the Pending Agenda was the item concerning emissions testing of incinerator.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; the other two items were Held in Steering.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda combined into one item were the three items appearing on the Pending Agenda.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing 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.

Annie M. Summerville, Acting Chair
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Annie Summerville & Ellen Bromley, Co-Chairwomen

MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Appointments Committee met on Tuesday, March 24, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Ellen Bromley, Annie Summerville, John Boccuzzi, John Leydon, Jr., Ellen Mellis, Ralph Loglisci, Thomas Pia and Philip Stork.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

TERM EXPIRES

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| 1. <u>MR. SAM DeFRANCO</u> (R)
27 Hoyclo Road
(Held in Steering 2/13/92) | Replacing Les Thompson who
resigned. | 12/1/96 |
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MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted to approve Mr. DeFranco with one no vote. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to confirm Mr. DeFranco to the Zoning Board of Appeals. APPROVED by a voice vote, 30 yes and four no votes, Mr. Pia, Mr. Rubino, Mr. White and Mrs. Maihock.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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| 2. <u>MS. CLAIRE FREIDLANDER</u> (D)
33 Lolly Lane
(Held in Steering 2/13/92) | Replacing Paul Callahan who
resigned. | 12/1/93 |
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MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted to approve Ms. Freidlander with one no vote. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Ms. Claire Freidlander to the Zoning Board of Appeals. APPROVED by voice vote, 30 yes and four no votes, Mr. Pia, Mr. Rubino, Mr. White and Mrs. Maihock.

BOARD OF ETHICS

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| 3. <u>REV. ROBERT W. PERRY</u> (D)
817 Newfield Avenue
(Held in Steering 2/13/92) | Replacing N. Krasnagor who
resigned. | 6/30/95 |
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MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted to approve Rev. Perry. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Rev. Perry to the Board of Ethics. APPROVED by voice vote, 34 yes votes with no dissenting votes.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD

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| 4. <u>MR. WILLIAM CONWAY</u> (R)
190 West Lane
(Held in Steering 2/13/92) | Replacing D. Menagon who
resigned. | 12/1/93 |
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MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted to approve Mr. Conway. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve William Conway to the Environmental Protection Board. APPROVED by voice vote, 34 yes votes with no dissenting votes.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

LOWER FAIRFIELD CO. CONVENTION OR EXHIBITION AUTHORITY

TERMS EXPIRES

5. MR. GEORGE JEPSEN (D)
30 Warren Street

3/1/96

MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted to approve Mr. Jepsen. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Mr. Jepsen to the Lower Fairfield Co. Convention or Exhibition Authority. APPROVED by voice vote, 33 yes votes with one abstention, Mrs. Bromley. The record will not that Mrs. Bromley also abstained in Committee.

LOWER FAIRFIELD CO. CONVENTION OR EXHIBITION AUTHORITY

6. MR. J. RALPH MURRAY (R)
15 Butternut Place

3/1/96

HELD IN COMMITTEE (unable to attend interview)

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

7. MS. THERESA MAGISTRO (D) Reappointment.
12 Van Buren Circle

8/7/95

MS. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee voted unanimously to approve Ms. Magistro. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve Ms. Magistro to the Urban Redevelopment Commission. APPROVED by voice vote, 33 yes votes with one abstention, Mrs. Bromley. The record will note that Mrs. Bromley also abstained in Committee.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Mary Lou Rinaldi & Carmen Domonkos, Co-Chairwomen

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Fiscal Committee met on Wednesday, March 18 and again on Wednesday, March 25, 1992. Present were Committee members Carmen Domonkos, William Kosbob, Gerald Rybnick, Garry Clemmons, Kurt Jetta, John Leydon, Jr., Nicholas Pavia, John Hogan, Ralph Loglisci and Mary Lou Rinaldi; also present were members of the Health and Protection Committee, various Department Heads, several members of both the Police and Fire Commissions and the President and Vice President of the Police Union.

Ms. M. Rinaldi said that because this month's appropriations would exhaust the contingency fund, the Committee invited Commissioner Carr to discuss the balance in the contingency fund. She said that Commissioner Carr indicated that the possible deficit for this fiscal year had diminished from \$7.1 million to \$375,000 assuming no more than \$3 million in uncollected taxes. She said that Commissioner Carr attributed the deficit reduction to a \$3 million savings from capital project close-outs; \$265,000 from Tenement Housing Fund which grew from \$75,000 to \$340,000 since 1967; \$1.5 in departmental non-personnel cuts; \$1 million increase in miscellaneous revenue gains; and a \$1 million decrease in expenses including the possible \$500,000 give back from the Board of Education.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee felt that the Commissioner's breakdown of the numbers was far too general and asked the Commissioner to provide a listing of all capital projects to be closed-out and a more detailed accounting of revenue gains and the manner by which expenses were reduced. Ms. M. Rinaldi said the information has not yet been received. She said that the Commissioner assured the Committee that it was proper and usual to appropriate more than is in the contingency fund; in fact, it occurred several times in the past ten years.

Ms. M. Rinaldi stated that according to the Commissioner, the operating budget is made up of three ever changing components; the contingency fund, revenues, and spending levels in all operating accounts with one off-setting the others. She said that it will be those components that will determine a deficit or surplus at the year's end.

Ms. M. Rinaldi said that several Committee members felt that it was inappropriate to use bonded capital funds to pay for operating shortfalls. She said that the Commissioner made the distinction that capital close-outs would be used to reduce the debt service; such practices are approved by the Bond Commission and do not affect the credit rating. Ms. Rinaldi said the Committee, through the President, was seeking an opinion from Corporation Counsel on the capital close-outs going to reduce debt service.

Ms. M. Rinaldi said that the Commissioner stated that the City would have enough money to fund every additional appropriation on this evening's Agenda and another \$3.2 million in supplemental appropriations through the end of the year. She said with the information, the Committee considered the following items noting that this month's appropriations do not exceed the \$1.8 million left in the contingency fund.

PRESIDENT LYONS spoke to the Board about the anxiety of many members using bonded funds for the reduction of the deficit. He said that he has requested an official opinion from Corporation Counsel; as of this date, no opinion has been received. President Lyons asked that discussions be kept at a minimum because the answer will not be forthcoming until an opinion is received.

MR. DeLUCA said that he was confused with some of the figures; saving \$3 million of capital projects that can be used to redeem bonds, which according to the Charter, can be done, but he said that is only if the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives approve. Mr. DeLuca said that the present contingency fund has approximately \$1.9 million, and based on this evening's appropriations, the Board will be voting on \$1.4 million.

MS. M. RINALDI stated that according to the Commissioner, the revenues and the savings in the line accounts are suppose to offset the shortfalls in the contingency fund; detailed information has not been available yet.

MS. M. RINALDI placed items 8, 9, 12, 14, 18, 19, 21 and 22 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred or waive the Secondary Committee report.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. \$3,052,828.00 - LABOR CONTRACTS - MEA CONTRACT - VARIOUS ACCOUNTS AND CODES - additional appropriation to cover contract settlement. For fiscal year 1991/92, \$1,774,643; for fiscal year 1990/91, \$1,278,185. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval. Board of Finance defeated 3/12/92.

Above also referred to LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE

NO ACTION TAKEN ON THIS ITEM; DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE.

2. \$ 372,794.00 - CONTRACTED SERVICES - STAMFORD EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, INC. - CODE 485-5501 CONTRACTED SERVICES - additional appropriation to fund recently approved contract. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine to one to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. DOMONKOS said a bid waiver was received but still has to be approved by the Board of Finance.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote. APPROVED by a vote of 32 yes and one no vote with one abstention.

3. \$ 144,408.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION - CODE 343-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation required for overtime due to holidays, Sunday operations, vacations due, sick leave, injury leave, etc. for balance of fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved \$144,408.00 3/12/92. (Note \$112,000 was amended to \$144,408)

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said the that Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 3. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

4. \$ 9,802.64 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - COST SHARING GRANT - CODE 553.5501 CONTRACTED SERVICES - additional appropriation for funds representing carry over monies from previous fiscal year to be used to pay public health student interns who work for the Health Department on project basis, after approval from appropriate State agencies. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted five in favor to approve.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 4. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

5. \$ 23,000.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - COST SHARING GRANT - CODE 553.2650 EQUIPMENT - additional appropriation for funds representing carry over monies from previous fiscal year to be used to buy computers and related equipment for Health Department, after approval from appropriate State agencies. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine to one for approval. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted five in favor to approve.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 5. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

6. \$ 1,300.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - COST SHARING GRANT - CODE 553.1330 MEDICAL AND LIFE - additional appropriation for funds representing carry over monies from previous fiscal year to be used to pay medical and life insurance benefits for Community Health Planner, after approval from appropriate State agencies. Requested by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted five in favor to approve.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 6. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

7. \$ 23,520.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT CODE 554 VD CLINIC GRANT - additional appropriation to cover grant. Funds approved for 100% reimbursement.
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| Code 554.1130 - part time salaries | \$17,200 |
| Code 554.5130 - professional medical care | 3,900 |
| Code 554.3711 - lab supplies | 2,420 |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed for approval. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted five in favor for approval.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 7. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

8. \$ 2,500.00 - E. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COURSE - CODE 670-2750 GASOLINE - additional appropriation to cover anticipated shortfall in account due to budget cut. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

9. \$ 24,000.00 - E. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COURSE - CODE 670-1140 SEASONAL - additional appropriation to reimburse seasonal employees so that the needs of the citizens can be maintained. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

10. \$ 90,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover overtime through the end of May and into June. This funding has been on a monthly basis. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI stated that the original request was for \$150,000; it was reduced to \$100,000 by the Board of Finance. The Committee voted unanimously to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted four in favor with one opposed to approve.

MR. RUBINO Moved to cut the \$100,000 by \$10,000. Seconded.

Mr. Rubino stated that he called Frank Harrison, Budget Director, who said that the overtime for the Fire Department will average \$19,000 to \$20,000 over the next four weeks. He said that if the item is to be a one-month appropriation, it would be over funded; with the \$90,000, there would be a small surplus.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI stated that the request would carry through the end of May and into June and would not be enough for the end of the year.

MR. DeLUCA said that he supported Mr. Rubino's motion. Mr. DeLuca stated that in January, a cut was made and a request that the Department come back each month for funding which resulted in a slight drop in the overtime.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to cut \$10,000 from \$100,000 leaving \$90,000 for the overtime account. APPROVED by a vote of 21 yes and 11 no votes.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve \$90,000 for item 10. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

11. \$ 145,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450.2730 WATER - additional appropriation needed to cover a 20% increase in rates by Stamford Water Company. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance defeated 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN; DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE.

12. \$ 15,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450.1212 ACTING STAND-BY - additional appropriation to cover stand-by time due to numerous vacancies. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

13. \$ 10,300.00 - COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE - CODE 240.5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS - to fund audit costs of certain grants; costs must be municipality's expense.
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| FY90-91 Bionutrient laboratory | \$ 1,800 |
| FY91-92 Clarifier improvements | 1,200 |
| FY91-92 Drug enforcement grants | 4,000 |
| FY87-88 Meter relocation & restriping | 200 |
| FY88-89 Multi-Modal system stripper | 600 |
| FY91-92 Summer busing | 500 |
| FY91-92 Youth Service Bureau | <u>2,000</u> |
| | \$10,300 |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed to approve. Moved. Seconded.

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

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

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 13. APPROVED by voice vote with 33 yes votes with one opposed, Mrs. Maihock.

14. \$ 45,940.90 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - CODE 410.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover funds deposited in General Fund resulting from forfeitures of drug convictions. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/21/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

15. \$ 9,001.73 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - CODE 410.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover funds expended from Code 410.1201 to provide Stamford Housing Authority with police foot patrols. The Housing Authority reimbursed the City's General fund. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/31/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted unanimously to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Health and Protection Committee voted five in favor to approve.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 15. APPROVED by voice vote with 33 yes votes and one no vote, Mrs. Maihock.

16. REQUEST TO HAVE POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSIONS APPEAR BEFORE THE FISCAL COMMITTEE. Requested by Rep. William Kosbob, D-16, 3/5/92.

MS. M. RINALDI stated that a report will be provided to all members.

17. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE LAKESIDE DRIVE BRIDGE UNDER PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/5/92.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted seven in favor with three opposed for approval. Moved. Seconded.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LEYDON said that he would vote against the resolution. He said that the state is facing serious fiscal trouble and the agreement pertains to a bridge that is a city bridge on a city road that should be paid for and fixed by the City of Stamford. He said that it was unfair and irresponsible to take the money just because it is there as this contributes to an already serious problem.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the bridge is covered under the local bridge repair program and the city was slated to repair the bridge at a cost of \$116,000; now the state will cover 24.29% of the costs and its to the advantage of the city to accept the grant.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 17. APPROVED by voice vote with 31 yes votes and three no votes, Mr. Leydon, Mr. LaDestro and Mr. Pavia.

18. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FILE APPLICATION AND TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR FUNDS TO ASSIST THE LOWER FAIRFIELD COUNTY CONVENTION/EXHIBITION AUTHORITY FEASIBILITY STUDY. Grant is for \$30,000. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/10/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, MRS. BROMLEY.

19. \$ 31,500.00 - DEPARTMENT 745 COMMUNITY CENTERS - CODE 745-4395 LOWER FAIRFIELD COUNTY CONFERENCE/EXHIBITION AUTHORITY GRANT - additional appropriation requested for a market study and preliminary building study to assist in determining feasibility of development of a 100,000 square foot convention center/exhibition facility in Lower Fairfield County. A State grant is being requested. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/10/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, MRS. BROMLEY.

20. \$ 58,192.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - COLLECTIONS - CODE 350-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for overtime due to vacations, sick leave, working holidays, etc. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/11/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the Committee voted nine in favor with one opposed for approval. Moved. Seconded.

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

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

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 20. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

21. \$ 22,687.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION - CODE 340.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for overtime due to holidays, various leaves, etc. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/11/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

22. \$ 500,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION HAULAWAY - CODE 351.5521 LANDFILL AND REFUSE - additional appropriation to cover projected shortfall in account for balance of fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/11/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

23. \$ 144,408.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - SANITATION - CODE 343.1201 INCINERATOR OVERTIME - additional appropriation required to provide overtime due working holidays, Sunday operations due to make up crew because of vacation, sick leave, injury leave, etc. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/11/92. No action taken by Board of Finance as item 3. was amended to \$144,408.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN; ITEM 3 AMENDED TO \$144,408.

24. INQUIRY INTO THE IMPACT AND EFFECT OF RE-EVALUATION ON THE TAXPAYERS AND FISCAL CONDITION OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD. Submitted by Reps. John Hogan, Jr., D-12, Audrey Maihock, R-19, David Martin, D-19, and Maria Nakian, D-20, 12/13/91. Reports made and Held in Committee 1/6, 2/3 and 3/2/92.

MR. HOGAN Chairs the Sub-committee on this item. He said that the interim report has been compiled and disseminated to all members of the Board and if there were any questions, he would be happy to answer them. He also stated that a further report will be forthcoming. (A copy will be attached to the original Minutes and with the Town & City Clerk's Minutes)

MS. M. RINALDI Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Mrs. Bromley abstaining on items 18 and 19.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. M. RINALDI Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote with 31 yes votes and three no votes, Mrs. Bromley, Mrs. Domonkos and Mr. LaDestro.

25. \$ 10,625.00 - MAYOR'S OFFICE - CODE 201.1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation to fund a Special Assistant to the Mayor for employee relations. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/11/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the appropriation was for a special assistant labor negotiator. Moved. Seconded.

MR. MARTIN said that this appropriation was for labor negotiations. He said that, as such, he expected it to be in the budget in the Labor Negotiators office and not hidden in the Mayor's account. Mr. Martin stated that previously, money was approved in the Mayor's budget for specific items and later found those items cuts and funds transferred to other functions. Mr. Martin said that he will withdraw his support for the item until it is placed in the proper account.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve item 25. APPROVED by a voice vote with 30 yes votes and four no votes, Mrs. Bromley, Mrs. Domonkos, Mrs. Nakian and Mr. Stork.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

MRS. NAKIAN said the Committee met on Monday, March 30, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Maria Nakian, Ellen Bromley, Carmen Domonkos, Greg LaDestro, Audrey Maihock, David Martin, Scott Morris, Donald Sherer, Joan Rinaldi and John Zelinsky; also present were Reps. John Hogan, William Kosbob and Marggie Laurie; James Carr, Finance Commissioner and Daniel McCabe, Corporation Counsel.

1. (L&R22.11) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR STAMFORD LAND CONSERVATION TRUST FOR PROPERTY ON HAPPY HILL ROAD, LIST #R900035974, DONATED BY JOHN VIKSTROM. Requested by Joel M. Berns, Vice President, Land Conservation Trust, 22 First Street, Stamford, CT 06905, 1/24/92. Held in Committee 3/2/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said the land is 1.2 acres donated to the Land Trust in December of 1991. She said the property will be taken off the 1992 grand list when the Assessor's office works on that year's grand list. Mrs. Nakian said that the abatement was for the second half of the 1990 grand year taxes in the amount of \$400.00 and for the 1991 grand list.

Mrs. Nakian said that the Committee voted seven in favor and one opposed to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote. APPROVED by 25 yes and 7 no votes with one abstention.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. (L&R22.12) FOR MATTER OF PHASING IN REASSESSMENT. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20, David Martin, D-19 and John J. Hogan, D-12, 3/5/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee met with Commission Carr and Corporation Counsel McCabe to find out exactly what a phase in was, how it would be done and whether or not it would be good for the City of Stamford. She said it was learned that a phase in is not what most people think it is. She said that as the Board believed ten years ago, when reassessment is phased in, you take the difference between the old value and the new value and phase in that difference in five years in equal increments. Mrs. Nakian said that as everybody moved closer toward the center, a greater or lesser benefit received from the phase in tended to pit property owners against each other, depending on the amount of increase or decrease. She said that if there was a decrease, it would be a disadvantage because the lower rate was also phased in, therefore, you would be paying more taxes than if there was a one-year implementation.

Mrs. Nakian said that this phase in was not a phase in as mandated by state statutes; the state statute is very clear on how it is to be done and is based upon the ratio of what the 1990 grand list taxes would be in proportion to the new total fair market grand list. She said that after the percentage of the old grand list is found, you subtract that base number from 70%, which is the number mandated by state statutes, and that increase is phased in over the next five years. She said that 44.7% is the number arrived at of the fair market value; the percentage increases at a constant ratio each year until the fifth year, you are paying the 70% of your reassessment. Mrs. Nakian said that in the end, you have paid less in taxes than you would have paid at 70% in the five years.

Mrs. Nakian stated that to raise the same amount of tax money somebody has to be paying the taxes and a shift is made from the property owner to the personal property, primarily because the mill rate would not go down to the same extent it would under a one-year implementation.

Mrs. Nakian said that Commissioner Carr was asked about the negatives and positives in doing this, and the answer was that under the phase in, a reduction is made in a one-time hit of the property owner by 1/3; this would apply to all property owners and the percentage would be the same for all property owners.

Mrs. Nakian stated that the negative would be the cost to the city to send out notices and that was estimated at \$25,000 per year; \$11,000 being in postage. She said that it was not clear why a notice would have to be sent out each year for five years; perhaps, one notice could be sent out to cut costs.

Mrs. Nakian said that grants from the state would not be affected as they would use the full 1991 grand list and phasing in does not affect the triple AAA bond ratings.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. NAKIAN said that with the information received at the meeting, they felt that it would be in the interest of the city and taxpayers to pursue the phase in and because of the time-frame of the next meeting and the date that the mill rate has to be set, this must be done quickly so that a public hearing can be held to receive input. Mrs. Nakian said that the Law Department prepared an ordinance and the Committee met this evening to vote on the ordinance and was it was approved, six in favor with none opposed.

Mrs. Nakian Moved to Suspend the Rules to consider for publication, proposed ordinance concerning the phasing in the decennial revaluation. The motion was Seconded.

Mrs. Nakian stated that only by Suspending the Rules, the public will have time to give their input to let the Board hear their comments.

MR. MARTIN said that the Mayor formulated a Committee to look into the phase in, and if the Rules are not Suspended, the Board is frustrating the process. He said that time is running out. He urged his colleagues to vote to Suspend the Rules.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Mayor's Committee is not only charged with the phase in but also with the possibility of deferment for a year.

MRS. LAURIE Moved the question. Seconded.

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

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to Suspend the Rules to consider an item not on the Agenda. DEFEATED by a vote of 17 yes, 16 no votes with one abstention.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Chairman

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING MEDICAL BENEFITS. Submitted by Rep. William Kosbob, D-16, 3/5/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. APPROVAL OF PAY PLAN FOR NON-UNION ADMINISTRATORS. Plan provides for a "wage freeze" effective July 1, 1991 and an increase in the ranges of 3%. Approved by Personnel Commission 1/23/92. Submitted by Marc Teichman, Chairman, Personnel Commission, 2/12/92. Board of Finance approved 3/12/92.

MR. HOGAN said the plan would provide for a wage increase for non-union administrators with no dollars and cents changing hands. Mr. Hogan said that it was to update the pay plan to keep in steps with the other pay plans throughout the city. Moved. Seconded.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. MARTIN Moved to return the item to Committee. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to return the item to Committee for further consideration. APPROVED by voice vote, 30 yes votes and four no votes, Mrs. Bromley, Mr. Lovallo, Mr. Stork and Mrs. Laurie.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - W. Dennis White, Chairman

1. MATTER OF COLOR CODED PLANNING MAP AND ZONING MAP. Requested by Rep. W. Dennis White, D-1, 12/18/91. Reports made and Held in Committee 1/6 and 2/3/92. Held in Steering 2/13/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Frank Mollo & Bobby Owens, Co-Chairmen

No report.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Joseph Lovallo & Audrey Maihock, Co-Chairpersons

MRS. MAIHOCK said the Health and Protection Committee met on Thursday, March 26, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Audrey Maihock, Fire Marshal Barry Callahan, Ellen Mellis, Joseph Gergle, James Rubino, Richard Robinson and Joseph Lovallo.

Mrs. Maihock said that the Committee also met this evening a 6:45 p.m. Present were Audrey Maihock, Joseph Gergle, Ellen Mellis and James Rubino.

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING FIRE LANES. Submitted by Steven E. Heilner, Chairman, Fire Marshal Association, City of Stamford, CT., 9/27/91. Returned to Committee 12/16/91. Held in Steering 1/18/92. Held in Committee 2/3 and 3/2/92.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that Richard Robinson submitted two drafts of the ordinance to the Committee and the Committee voted to accept one of the drafts after various changes were made by Mr. Robinson and the Committee. Mrs. Maihock stated that a corrected version was received and sent to all Board members.

Mrs. Maihock said that at this evening's meeting, the Committee voted unanimously to publish the ordinance. She said that minor grammatical errors were corrected. Moved. Seconded.

MR. ZELINSKY asked what the difference was between the draft of March 27th and the other draft; why did the Committee accept the March 27th draft? He said that he did not believe that he received the second draft.

MRS. MAIHOCK stated that the purpose of two drafts being submitted was to include in the second draft, a section entitled, "Contesting the Petition." Also, she stated that the Corporation Counsel's office incorporated under 4.C. "The established fire lane shall not reduce the number of parking spaces to a level that is below what is required by the City's Zoning Regulations." She said that Mr. Zelinsky was interested in that paragraph.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve for publication, the fire lane ordinance. APPROVED by voice vote, 34 yes votes.

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

MR. PIA said that the Parks and Recreation Committee met on Monday, March 23, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Attending were Thomas Pia, Robert DeLuca, Gerald Rybnick, Joseph Gergel and William Kosbob; also Parks and Recreation Director Robert Neu and Commissioner Michael Saccardi.

1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED FEES FOR THE TERRY CONNERS RINK FOR FISCAL YEAR 1992/93. Parks and Recreation Commission approved on 3/4/92. Submitted by Robert F. Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, 3/5/92.

MR. PIA said the Committee voted five to zero to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the fees. APPROVED by voice vote with 34 yes votes.

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

No report.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman

MS. MITCHELL said the Committee met on Tuesday, March 17, 1992. Present were Frank Mollo, Annie Summerville, Ellen Mellis, Nicholas Pavia, Elaine Mitchell; excused were Garry Clemmons and Fred Johnson. The Committee also meet this evening. Present were Annie Summerville, Nicholas Pavia, Elaine Mitchell, Garry Clemmons and Ellen Mellis; Fred Johnson was excused; Richard Gitlen was also present.

1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT THE YEAR 18 APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/92. Board of Finance approved with conditions attached to item 17 (Youth Shelter). \$146,000 can only be spent on site selection in conformity with Master Plan and with agreement from Shelter that if it sues the City, these funds must be returned to the City.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT LYONS announced that Elaine Mitchell is now Chairwoman of the Housing and Community Development.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Michael Larobina & Mary Lou Rinaldi, Co-Chairpersons

No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Donald Sherer, Chairman

No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Scott Morris, Acting Chairman - No report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - Garry Clemmons, Chairman - No report.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Kurt Jetta & John J. Boccuzzi, Co-Chairmen

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the Committee met on Tuesday, March 31, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were John Roman; Jim Minor, Asst. Corporation Counsel; Tom Barrett; Frank Harrison, Budget Director; Joseph Tarzia, MEA; Robert Killigan, MEA; Barry Boodman, Asst. Corporation Counsel; William Krynitzky, MEA; Rep. Marggie Laurie; Janet Gramza, Advocate; Committee members John Hogan, Mary Lou Rinaldi, Kurt Jetta, Ralph Loglisci, and John Boccuzzi.

1. APPROVAL OF FACTFINDERS REPORT - ASSISTANT CORPORATION COUNSELS - Factfinders recommend following salary increases: also, there are other changes in Contract. Duration of Contract from 7/1/91 to 6/30/94.

July 1, 1991	- 5%	- \$20,422
July 1, 1992	- 2-1/2%	- \$10,721
January 1, 1993	- 2-1/2%	- \$10,989
July 1, 1993	- 2-1/2%	- \$11,264
January 1, 1994	- 2-1/2%	- \$11,546

Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/24/92. Mayor recommends rejection of Report. Board has until April 9, 1992 to act on Report. Board of Finance advised that the Factfinders report recommended salary increases which exceeded the amount set aside in contingency fund.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the Committee voted to reject the Factfinders report. There were four no votes and one yes vote to reject the report. Mr. Boccuzzi Moved to approve the report. Seconded.

MS. J. RINALDI said that the pay for the positions, in comparison for the same positions in other Connecticut Municipalities with a population over \$100,000, is extremely high. She said that the increases called for in the report are also higher than what private sector is paying on the average. Also, stated by Ms. Rinaldi was that in the present economic distress, she thought it would be unconscionable to approve such automatic increases.

** should be 100,000 - corrected at 6/1/92 Board Meeting.*

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (continued)

PRESIDENT LYONS said that the Motion is always framed in the positive; a no vote is to reject; a yes vote would be to approve the report.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote. DEFEATED by a vote of 25 no and one yes vote with eight abstentions.

2. APPROVAL OF MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (MEA) CONTRACT - Following wage adjustments: also, there are other changes in Contract. Duration of Contract from 7/1/90 to 6/30/93.

1990/91 - 6%

1991/92 - 3%

1992/93 - 0%

Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/6/92. Mayor supports Contract. Board has until April 6, 1992 to act on Contract. Board of Finance is concerned about the language of contract concerning layoff provisions.

MR. BOCCUZZI said the Committee voted to approve the contract by a vote of four to one. Moved. Seconded.

Mr. Boccuzzi stated that the contract goes 1990/91, 6%; 1991/92, 3% and 1992/3, 0%. He said that there was a page in the contract specifying that there would be no layoffs of people who had three years or more of service. He said that a discussion was held on what the paragraph really meant and that was why Asst. Corporation Counsel Minor, the President of MEA and Tom Barrett were called to explain exactly what the paragraph meant and how long the paragraph would stay in the contract. Mr. Boccuzzi said that the paragraph comes out automatically at the end of June, 1993.

Mr. Boccuzzi stated that Mr. Barrett told the Committee that in reviewing various contracts, all the contracts signed in 1990/91, were of 6% or a little more; that figure was approved and if the contracts went to binding arbitration, it is certain that the union would win for that year. Mr. Boccuzzi said that the previous administration set aside money to pay for the 1990/91 increase; \$1,196,257 was set aside for the contract; the actual cost of the contract for that year is going to be \$1,278,185.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the 3% increase is the same amount given to the teachers; the last year of their contract is still open for negotiations. He said that the teachers gave back some payments for insurance. Mr. Boccuzzi stated that in order to get to the zero percent for 1992/93, the city had to go on the layoffs; the city took a chance on the layoffs and if the contract is rejected and goes to binding arbitration, no one knows what would happen. Mr. Boccuzzi said that there were some bad points in the contract but the good ones over-ruled the bad ones.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. DeLUCA said that a copy of a "present value" schedule was sent to everyone, and based on that schedule, if the contract went, 3, 3, and 3, the city could have saved \$1 million which is definitely needed at this time. Mr. DeLuca stated that the 6% is not justified in view of the fact that the inflation rate over the past several years has only risen approximately three to four percent. He said that present contracts are giving back but this contract has increased the dental costs for the city by \$20,000; vision care by \$5,000 and orthodontist work by \$7,000.

Mr. DeLuca said that the no layoff clause will set a precedent for other unions. He said the Board of Finance rejected the \$3 million needed for the contract and with the items voted on this evening, leaves approximately \$450,000 in the contingency fund. Mr. DeLuca stated that if the contract goes to binding arbitration, he believes that the arbitrators are now favoring the cities. Mr. DeLuca said that he would be willing to take a chance, reject the contract and let it go to binding arbitration.

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that some medical is paid and the deductible went up a \$100. He said that the binding arbitrators are not favoring cities whatsoever; they are still given out 6% and 5%.

MR. RUBINO asked exactly how many positions the contract would hold open for lay-offs if such was necessary?

MR. BOCCUZZI said that he believed there were 50 people, and on July 1, 1993, that clause would be null and void.

MR. STORK said he would speak on the negotiating process of the contract. He said in '90/91, the 6% was the going rate or close; '91/92, the rate came down to 3%, clearly showing the fiscal stability of the city's finances and '92/93, 0% and for that, getting job security for employees with three years of service. Mr. Stork stated that this was a clear sign of what negotiations can accomplish. He said that he resented that the MEA has had to wait nearly two years for the contract to come to fruition. Mr. Stork said that he supported the contract and urged his colleagues to vote for it.

MRS. BROMLEY said that this would probably be the first time she would not support a contract paying salaries for people that work hard and deserve the money. She said that her reason is that she could not support a contract with a no layoff clause as this does not take into account the unknowns of the upcoming year. She said but for that she would have supported the contract.

MS. M. RINALDI said that a precedent will be set if the Board approves the contract; a precedent of a 0% increase with one of the city's largest union. She said that if the contract is turn downed, the city will not receive a better deal from arbitration. She said that she would support the contract.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LEYDON said that he would support the contract because it appears that each side was willing to be reasonable and for the best interest of the city.

MR. ZELINSKY said that he thought the contract was a fair one and well negotiated. He said that he did not agree a 100% with the entire contract but after the long wait, the people deserve that the contract be approved. He urged his colleagues to approve the contract.

MR. KOSBOB said that he supported what Rep. Bromley stated. He said that it was bad management practice to have the layoff clause in the contract; he will not be voting for the contract for that reason.

MR. LOGLISCI said that he will vote for the contract. He said he looked over the salaries for the majority of people in the contract and they are willing to help the city; he was not taking about people making \$70,000 and \$80,000 who could afford to have no increases. He said the ranges for the people are very narrow, therefore, they are not getting a big step jump as in someother unions.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on approving the MEA contract. APPROVED by a vote of 23 yes, eight no votes with two abstentions. The record noted that Rep. Summerville abstained due to a possible conflict; Rep. Pia left the Floor on the vote and Ms. Mitchell abstained due to a possible conflict.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - William Belcher, Chairman

MR. BELCHER said the Committee met on Thursday, March 12, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Present were William Belcher, James Rubino, Ellen Mellis, William Kosbob and Scott Morris; invited guests present were Rick Redniss, Chuck Berman, Robin Stein, Terry Wurtzbacker, and David Anderson.

1. DISCUSSION ON THE MATTER OF DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN TO ENHANCE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD; appointment of members to the Commission and public hearings to solicit input. Requested by William Belcher, R-13, 12/20/91. Reports made and Held in Committee 2/3 and 3/2/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. BELCHER said that the Committee will be prepared to make some recommendations next month.

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian & James Rubino, Co-Chairpersons

MR. RUBINO said that the Committee met Tuesday, March 24, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Co-Chairs James Rubino and Maria Nakian; Reps. Greg LaDestro and Marggie Laurie, Richard Cichon, John Marsalisi and Dr. Melvin Grove from the Board of Ethics.

1. REVIEW OF CODE OF ETHICS. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20 and David Martin, D-19, 11/26/91. Held on Pending Agenda 12/4/91.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. RUBINO said the Committee discussed priorities, the need for amendments in the near term and the need for a comprehensive review of the Code. He said the Committee decided to take a bifurcated approach to its job to first present a set of proposed changes it believes are needed in the near term and thereafter to proceed with the broader task of comprehensive review and possible changes of the Code.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - David Martin & Philip Stork, Co-Chairmen

MR. STORK said that the Committee met on Monday, March 16, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members David Martin, Co-Chairman; Robert DeLuca, and Philip Stork, Co-Chairman; Reps. James Rubino and Annie Summerville were excused and one member of the Committee was absent. Others present were K. Betty Conti, Co-Chair of the Reapportionment Commission; Rep. Audrey Maihock, Arthur Conti and John Roman of WSTC.

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING ELECTIONS - BOUNDARIES OF VOTING DISTRICTS. Submitted by Reapportionment Commission, 2/19/92.
(Board has 60 days to take action)

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING ELECTIONS - BOUNDARIES OF VOTING DISTRICTS STATED - DISTRICT MAP. Submitted by Reapportionment Commission, 2/19/92. (Board has 60 days to take action)

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. STORK said that the purpose of the meeting was to have an explanation from the Reapportionment Commission as to how they went about their business of dividing the city's population into 20 districts. He said that Mrs. Conti stated that the Commission took a round number of 108,000 population and divided it by 20 resulting in a goal for each district of 5,400 people. Mr. Stork said that the 5,400 represents people and not voters. Mr. Stork stated that according to statutes, the Commission was permitted to deviate from the figure of 5,400 by 10% in either direction. He said that requirement was met by moving the boundaries in only eight districts; districts, 2, 3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14 and 16. Mr. Stork said that copies of the Reapportionment map approved by the Board of Representatives in 1982, was sent to all members, plus a copy of the Reapportionment map as approved by the Commission in 1992.

Mr. Stork said that the Reapportionment statutes dictate that there must be minority districts in the municipality. He said that in 1982, there were two such districts; however, in 1992, there will be three minority districts, 2, 5 and 9. Mr. Stork stated that the Committee will be holding a public hearing on the 1992 Reapportionment later this month. He said that he and David Martin would appreciate any suggestions or input from the Board members before the hearing.

AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - John J. Boccuzzi & Robert DeLuca, Members

No report.

RESOLUTIONS

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING LYNN LAITMAN FOR BEING SELECTED AS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR. Submitted by Reps. Scott A. Morris, D-17, Ellen Bromley, D-20, Maria Nakian, D-20 and Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 3/5/92.

MR. MORRIS Moved to approve the resolution. Seconded.

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

2. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING THE STAMFORD HIGH SCHOOL 1991-1992 BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM. Submitted by Rep. Carmen Domonkos, D-18.

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MR. DeLUCA Moved to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

3. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BOARD OF FINANCE RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A ONE-YEAR SUSPENSION OF THE NEW GRAND LIST. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 4/6/92.

MR. DeLUCA Moved for approval. Seconded.

MRS. BROMLEY Moved to amend the resolution to add after the last word "List," add "and in furtherance of the rationale expressed herein, the Board of Representatives also supports publication of the proposed ordinance concerning phasing in the decennial revaluation attached hereto and made a part hereof." The Motion was Seconded.

Mrs. Bromley stated that in the resolution, there are many unanswered questions, and even supporting the resolution, does not get the re-evaluation postponed or suspended for a year because that can only be done pursuant to a decision by the Chairman of the Board of Tax Review and the Mayor. She said that she would like to see the resolution approved appending the publication of the proposed ordinance.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that it was not doable to publish the ordinance under the Sense-of-the-Board Resolution. He said that to insert a paragraph is possible but did not think publication of ordinance is possible.

MRS. BROMLEY said that she would like to add language to the resolution supporting a phase in and would request a Suspension of the Rules by a member on the prevailing side.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that Mrs. Bromley's requests could not be done as the Board, under Roberts Rules, refused to consider the phasing in matter.

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

MRS. BROMLEY Moved to amend Mr. DeLuca's resolution to read, "Therefore be it resolved that the Board of Representatives supports the Board of Finance's resolution calling for a one year suspension of the new Grand List, and in furtherance of the rationale expressed herein, supports a phase-in of the decennial revaluation." Seconded. The underscored text is the text added by Rep. Bromley.

MR. HOGAN said that he thought it would be at odds with the motion passed earlier in the meeting in regards to the publication of the phase-in ordinance. He said that he voted for the publication of the phase-in.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that there was no vote taken on publication; the vote was to Suspend the Rules to take up the item; the motion was defeated, therefore, there was no discussion on the ordinance. President Lyons stated that an amendment to the resolution was proper.

MR. HOGAN said that he would support a resolution on publication of ordinance concerning a phase in simply to start the mechanism for a public hearing. He said there is not enough information on the issues to make a decision and to make a decision on a one year suspension, he could not be support.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the resolution and ordinance can not be tied together. And, if he understood Mr. Hogan correctly, Mr. Hogan wants a public hearing so discussions can be had.

PRESIDENT LYONS stated that there is no ordinance before the Board; there is a resolution put out by Rep. DeLuca and an amendment by Rep. Bromley pertaining to the resolution only and nothing to do with an ordinance or publication.

MR. WHITE stated that he did not think that Rep. Bromley's amendment belonged in the resolution; he said that it should be kept separate as it is a separate issue. He said that he would vote for the resolution, and if more work is needed to implement the resolution, it can be done.

MRS. BROMLEY repeated her amendment to be added after "...Grand list," "and in furtherance of the rationale expressed herein, in the alternative, the Board of Representatives supports phasing-in the decennial revaluation."

Mrs. Bromley said that "in the alternative" suggests that if the resolution's purpose does not go into effect, an additional suggestion has been made to handle the revaluation. She said that Mr. DeLuca's resolution must be supported by the Chairman of the Board of Tax Review and the Mayor and if they decide not to support the one year suspension, the Board is on record as favoring a phase in as an alternative.

MR. MARTIN said that he favored Mr. DeLuca's resolution but believed that the resolution has almost no significant meaning and he wanted to do as much as possible to protect the taxpayers; he was in favor of the amendment.

MR. HOGAN said that he would vote against the resolution and amendment.

MR. DeLUCA stated that he disagreed with Mr. Martin as the resolution is going on record supporting the Board of Finance that pointed out the inequities. He said the amendment should be voted down.

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

MR. WHITE said that a resolution is not meant to be binding; it is to tell the people in charge what the Board of Representatives think and recommend. He urged that the amendment be voted down and the resolution approved.

MR. PIA Moved the question. Seconded.

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

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote on Rep. Bromley's amendment to the resolution. DEFEATED by a vote of 24 no and six yes votes with four abstentions.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution concerning revaluation. APPROVED by a voice vote with 31 yes and three no votes, Mr. Hogan, Mrs. Nakian and Mr. Kosbob.

MINUTES

1. FEBURARY 3, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
2. FEBRUARY 24, 1992 SPECIAL MEETING - Approved as corrected by Mrs. Maihock. Mrs. Maihock's correction was on page three, under President Lyons where it was noted "not audible on tape;" President Lyons answered Mrs. Maihock's question and she understood President Lyons to say that the present total debt was \$123 million. The correction will be made a part of the February 24, 1992 Special Meeting Minutes.
3. MARCH 2. 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

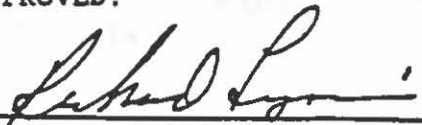
COMMUNICATIONS - None.


OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - President Lyons mentioned that the Fiscal Committee will be holding meetings on the operating and capital budget. He urged all members to come to the meetings or contact the Fiscal Committee if they have any questions or concerns.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded, and Approved by a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 p.m.

APPROVED:


Richard L. Lyons, President
22nd Board of Representatives


Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant
and Recording Secretary
22nd Board of Representatives

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Enclosures

STAMVOTE - ATTENDANCE

04-06-1992

NO	NAME
1	N/P EVANKO, JUDITH
2	PRS NAKIAN, MARIA
3	PRS PIA, THOMAS
4	N/P OWENS, BOBBY
5	PRS LOGLISCI, RALPH
6	PRS KOSBOB, WILLIAM
7	PRS LADESTRO, GREGORY
8	PRS RYBNICK, GERALD
9	PRS CURTIS, JEFFERY, SR.
10	PRS LOVALLO, JOSEPH
11	PRS MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	N/P JOHNSON, FRED
13	PRS DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	PRS GERGLE, JOSEPH
15	PRS STORK, PHILIP
16	PRS BELCHER, WILLIAM
17	PRS RUBINO, JAMES
18	PRS MELLIS, ELLEN
19	PRS WHITE, W. DENNIS
20	PRS SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

NO	NAME
21	PRS DE PINA, GLORIA
22	PRS DOMONKOS, CARMEN
23	PRS CLEMMONS, GARY
24	PRS LAURIE, MARGGIE
25	N/P PERILLO, MILDRED
26	PRS PAVIA, NICHOLAS
27	PRS MITCHELL, ELAINE
28	PRS SHERER, DONALD
29	PRS MORRIS, SCOTT
30	PRS HOGAN, JOHN J.
31	PRS ZELINSKY, JOHN
32	PRS BROMLEY, ELLEN
33	N/P LAROBINA, MICHAEL
34	PRS RINALDI, JOAN
35	PRS LEYDON, JOHN F.
36	N/P JETTA, KURT A.
37	PRS RINALDI, MARY LOU
38	PRS MARTIN, DAVID
39	PRS BOCCUZZI, JOHN
40	PRS LYONS, RICHARD

NOT PRESENT 6

PRESENT 34

STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

04-06-1992

TEST VOTE YES

NO	NAME
1	N/P EVANKO, JUDITH
2	YES NAKIAN, MARIA
3	YES PIA, THOMAS
4	N/P OWENS, BOBBY
5	YES LOGLISCI, RALPH
6	YES KOSBOB, WILLIAM
7	YES LADESTRO, GREGORY
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14	YES GERGLE, JOSEPH
15	YES STORK, PHILIP
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17	YES RUBINO, JAMES
18	YES MELLIS, ELLEN
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20	YES SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

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