

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 4, 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, May 4, 1992, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 p.m. by President Richard L. Lyons.

INVOCATION as given by Pastor Craig S. Brown, Greater Faith Tabernacle Baptist Church, 27 Baxter Place, Stamford, CT 06902.

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

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 37 members present and three absent. Absent were Judith Evanko (excused), Fred Johnson (excused) and Garry Clemmons.

The Chair declared a quorum

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

MOMENTS OF SILENCE - None.

STANDING COMMITTEES

PRESIDENT LYONS announced some Committee changes: William Belcher is off the Economic Development Committee, Joan Rinaldi is Chairwoman; Ellen Mellis is off the Education, Welfare and Government Committee, Michael Larobina is Vice Chairman; Scott Morris is Chairman of the Transportation Committee; Judith Evanko is still a member of the Committee.

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.

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, April 22, 1992, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by Chairman Richard Lyons who declared a quorum.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

Present at the meeting:

Richard Lyons, Chairman	John J. Hogan, Jr.	Jeffrey Curtis
Scott Morris	Elaine Mitchell	Robert DeLuca
Maria Nakian	James Rubino	Ellen Mellis
Audrey Maihock	Ellen Bromley	Carmen Domonkos
Annie Summerville	Donald Sherer	John Roman
John Boccuzzi	W. Dennis White	Janet Gramza
Thomas Pia	John Zelinsky	Pam Harris (LWV)
		Anne Kachaluba

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

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were all 21 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and three from the Addenda. Ordered off the Pending Agenda was the resolution re reimbursement of attorney fees for members of the Police Association.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were three of the six items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item from the Addenda. Ordered off the Agenda was the Matter of Phasing in Reassessment; ordered on the Pending Agenda were two items; Eliminating auto tax and incorporating the tax into real estate taxes and proposed ordinance denying gun permits, etc.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered Held in Steering were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one from the Addenda.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one from the Addenda.

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

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were two of the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off the Agenda was the Report on Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - No items appeared 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.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

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

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - No items appeared 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 - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. (The second item was combined with the first)

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

RESOLUTIONS - No resolutions 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 8:20 p.m.

Richard L. Lyons, Chairman  
Steering Committee

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

MRS. BROMLEY said the Committee met on Monday, April 27, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Reps. Thomas Pia, Ralph Loglisci, John Leydon, Gloria DePina, Annie Summerville and Ellen Bromley. It was noted that Gloria DePina was excused from last month's meeting. Mrs. Bromley placed item one on the Consent Agenda.

LOWER FAIRFIELD CO. CONVENTION OR EXHIBITION AUTHORITY

TERM EXPIRES

1. MR. J. RALPH MURRAY (R)  
15 Butternut Place  
(Held in Committee 4/6/92)

3/1/96

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

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

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Mrs. Bromley.

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

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee met on Wednesday, April 29, 1992 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Reps. Carmen Domonkos, Mary Lou Rinaldi, Kurt Jetta, Maria Nakian, Ralph Loglisci, John Leydon, William Kosbob, John Hogan, Ellen Mellis, Elaine Mitchell, Joseph Gergle, Audrey Maihock, Jeffrey Curtis, Michael Larobina, Bobby Owens, David Martin, Thomas Pia, Donald Sherer; also Commissioner James Carr, Budget Director Frank Harrison, and various department heads.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. DOMONKOS said that due to the late hour, the meeting of April 29th was continued to April 30th. Present at that meeting were Reps. Carmen Domonkos, Mary Lou Rinaldi, William Kosbob, Maria Nakian, Ralph Loglisci, and John Leydon. Mrs. Domonkos stated that all the items were voted on at the April 30th meeting except item 21 was voted on at the April 29th meeting.

MR. DeLUCA stated that in a contingency report received dated April 13, the balance was \$604,422. He said that the total of all the items on this Agenda comes to \$1,800,000 which means if all the items were to be approved, deficit spending would be \$1,200,000. Mr. DeLuca asked where the money will come from and how is the Board able to vote for deficit spending?

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the issue was addressed before any items on the Agenda were considered. She said that Mr. Harrison and Commission Carr indicated that due to the state budget not being passed until after the city's budget was approved, when the state budget came down, there was an additional \$1.2 million in revenue coming to the city that was not included in the budget book. She said that was added to the \$604,000 giving the city adequate monies to pass all the items on the Agenda.

MR. DeLUCA asked if we were assured that the money would be coming to the city?

MRS. DOMONKOS stated that it was assured that the money would be coming to the city.

MS. M. RINALDI said that when the budget was put together last year, the numbers used were from the Governor's budget book; when the budget was finally passed, the Legislature's budget included another \$1.2 million under the Education Equalization Grant; this money goes into the General fund.

MRS. DOMONKOS placed items 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23 and 24 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred or waived the Secondary Committee Reports.

1. 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, 3/2 and 4/6/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE - An interim report #2 was sent to all members and will be made a part of the original Minutes.

2. \$ 3,660.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - CODE 575 - CADAC AIDS ARROWS - VARIOUS CODES - additional appropriation to cover grant funding which is fully reimbursable for AIDS Outreach workers.

Code 575.1201 Overtime	\$ 375.00
Code 575.1310 social security	642.00
Code 575.1330 medical & life	1,633.00
Code 575.2930 office supplies	300.00
Code 575.2940 conferences & training	<u>710.00</u>
	\$3,660.00

Requested by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/13/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MR. DeLUCA & ONE ABSTENTION, MR. KOSBOB.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

3. \$ 75,000.00 - EMPLOYEES BENEFITS - CODE 290.1320 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - additional appropriation to fund account through the end fiscal year 1991-92. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/13/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

4. \$ 110,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover overtime costs for the balance of current fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

5. \$ 350,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450.1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation needed to cover funds transferred from salary to overtime, funding to meet arbitration award and to cover vacation time of retirees taken in lump sum payment. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

6. \$ 20,316.48 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - CODE 420.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to reflect funds expended to provide Housing Authority foot patrols; Housing Authority has reimbursed General Fund. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/10/92. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

7. \$ 36,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - CODE 433.2930 OFFICE EXPENSE - additional appropriation to cover purchase of 450 recording tapes capable of handling 40 channels simultaneously. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance defeated 4/28/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN: DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

8. \$ 29,100.00 - STAMFORD AMBULANCE CORPS - CODE 470.4380 SAC - additional appropriation to fund SAC for April until May 1, SEMS start date. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/11/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION, MR. KOSBOB.

9. \$ 5,000.00 - BOARD OF TAX REVIEW - CODE 119.1130 PART-TIME - additional appropriation to cover funds that will be expended before Board of Tax Review can complete their duties to hear all appeals. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/21/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 5-0-1 to reduce to \$5,000 from \$15,000. She said that the funds were for staff to work part-time to assist the Tax Review Board in their deliberations. She Moved for approval. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve \$5,000 for the Board of Tax Review. APPROVED by voice vote with 36 yes votes and one abstention, Mr. Kosbob.

10. \$ 79,900.00 - SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT - CODE 510.3641 MOVING AND STORAGE - additional appropriation required due to the closing of 80 Spruce Street. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/10/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 5-0-1 for approval. Seconded.

MR. JETTA wanted the record to note that he was opposed to the item. He stated that it was more a policy decision to put people out of their homes because of health code violations. Mr. Jetta said that many of the people did not want to move. He said that in the future, more input should be obtained and more about the policy should be learned before decisions are made. He said that there was nothing to bar the Administration from spending ten times this amount if that was the direction they wanted to go in.

MRS. DOMONKOS explained that this was not only for the people put out of their homes. She said that there were also 35 other cases of eviction. She said that the Social Services Department stores the peoples' belongings for 30 days, but a case was brought by Legal Services that the belongings should be held for a longer period of time; the court case has not as yet been settled.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MS. SUMMERVILLE said that Rep. Jetta's remarks disapproving of the item and in regards to the Administration had nothing to do with what is to be voted on.

MR. JETTA said the item was for moving and storage expenses, primarily relating to 80 Spruce Street. He said that the reason the people were evicted was of a policy decision from the Administration that they, as interpreted by him, were aggressively going to evict and close down dwellings that were in violation of the health code. Mr. Jetta stated that he did not favor the policy that moves forward without proper Board input, incurring costs without being consulted or even being told until after the fact.

MS. SUMMERVILLE stated that perhaps the back up material did not have all the information. She said that the order was justified as the conditions were unhealthy and human beings were living in those conditions and she witnessed the conditions. Ms. Summerville said that each day buildings are being condemned, perhaps not with so many units. She said that the city stores belongings and houses people until the code violations are corrected and there should not be any discrimination against people that are housed in buildings with many units.

MRS. MAIHOCK wanted clarification as to the number of families, the court case and whether the appropriation was only related to Spruce Street.

MS. SUMMERVILLE said that there were 35 families evicted.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the storing of belongings was not only for the families from Spruce Street; it included other families. She said that the \$79,900 did not pertain to Legal Services, it pertained to all storage, and that the Legal Services case was that the belongings had to be stored for more than 30 days. Mrs. Domonkos was not sure but thought that there were 28 families from Spruce Street and seven from other evictions.

MR. LOGLISCI said that in the past, city buildings were used for storage and now, private storage has to be used as the buildings are not being used.

MR. BOCCUZZI said that the appropriation was to pay for services rendered by an outside contractor to the city. He said the service has already been provided and must be paid for.

MR. SHERER stated that some of the costs will try to be recaptured from the landlords.

MS. M. RINALDI 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 approve \$79,900 for the Social Services Department. APPROVED by a vote of 33 yes, one no vote and one abstention.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

11. \$ 133,398.00 - STAMFORD MUSEUM & NATURE CENTER - CODE 720.4310 STAMFORD MUSEUM - additional appropriation to cover salary increases linked to Municipal Employees Contract.
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| Code 720.4310 Stamford Museum for FY 1991/92 | \$ 82,137     |
| Code 994.9202 Retro Pay City                 | <u>51,261</u> |
|  | \$133,398     |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

12. \$ 214,000.00 - FERGUSON LIBRARY - CODE 710.4320 FERGUSON LIBRARY - additional appropriation to cover projected deficit for current fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/31/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 5-0-1 to approve. Seconded.

MR. DeLUCA stated that in the back up provided, it states that part of the \$214,000 appropriation would be offset by closing out two capital projects totalling \$39,000. He said that capital projects money cannot be used for operating expenses; also if there is \$39,000 coming from somewhere, why is the appropriation for \$214,000?

MRS. DOMONKOS stated that in further communications with the Board of Finance, the transfer was split off from the additional appropriation. She said that the \$214,000 was an additional appropriation and the Board of Finance Held the transfer item on capital funds separately. Mrs. Domonkos said that the \$214,000 additional has been figured into the \$1.8 million available for this evening's appropriations.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the \$214,000 is coming out of a Housing Tenement fund; \$39,000 is a give back on the Library's part to offset other capital projects that will not go forward for lack of funds. She said that the funds were from interest in the Housing Tenement account.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the backup information was not correct.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked if there would be any improvements in services because of this appropriation or would the same level of services be continued?

MRS. DOMONKOS said that earlier it was thought that the Weed Branch and the Bookmobile would not operate; this appropriation would cover the costs for them to continue operations at the same level they are.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote. APPROVED by 33 yes, two no votes and two abstentions.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

13. \$ 450,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - CODE 350.1110 COLLECTION SALARIES - additional appropriation required; Public Works was only allotted a portion of year's salary request. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION, MR. KOSBOB.

14. \$ 197,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - CODE 301.2720 ADMINISTRATION GAS AND ELECTRIC - additional appropriation needed to cover expenditures; budget was reduced by \$200,000. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/3/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 5-0-1 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MR. DeLUCA stated that in the backup provided, the expenditures were \$133,000 a month which totals \$1,596,000 for the year; the approved budget was for \$1,458,900, thus indicating that \$137,100 more is needed.

MS. M. RINALDI said that the \$133,000 was an average figure as in the winter the lights burn longer.

MR. DeLUCA Moved to reduce the appropriation by \$59,900 leaving \$137,100. Seconded.

MR. LYONS proceeded to a vote to reduce item 14 by \$59,900. DEFEATED by 18 no and 15 yes votes with two absentions.

MR. LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve \$197,000 for gas and electric for the Department of Public Works. DEFEATED by a vote of 22 yes, 12 no votes with two abstentions. (A two-thirds vote was needed for approval)

MR. RUBINO Moved to reconsider item 14. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to reconsider item 14. DEFEATED by a vote of 23 no and 14 yes votes.

15. \$ 97,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS TRANSPORTATION CENTER - CODE 284.5501 CONTRACTED SERVICES - additional appropriation required to fund security and janitorial services for balance of fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION, MR. KOSBOB.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

16. \$ 2,700.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2923 COPYING AND PRINTING - additional appropriation needed to cover balance of fiscal year. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH TWO NO VOTES. MR. JETTA AND MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

17. \$ 2,000.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation required for anticipated shortfall in account. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE. MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

18. \$ 2,500.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2910 OFFICIAL NOTICES - additional appropriation to cover anticipated shortfall in account. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE. MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

19. \$ 4,700.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2930 SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES - additional appropriation required to cover anticipated shortfall in account. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/2/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 5-0-1 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MR. RUBINO wanted to know if the above account included postage?

MRS. DOMONKOS stated that postage came out of the account.

MR. RUBINO asked how much was spent this year on the franking privilege?

MS. SUMMERVILLE stated that she did not have the exact figures but thought it to be near \$200. The exact figure will be given to Mr. Rubino.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve \$4,700 for the Board of Representatives supplies and expenses account. APPROVED by a voice vote of 35 yes, one no vote, Mr. Ladestro and one abstention, Mr. Kosbob.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

20. \$3,052,828.00 - DEPARTMENT 999 LABOR CONTRACTS - MEA CONTRACT APPROPRIATION - additional appropriation to fund recently approved contract.  
 For fiscal year 1991/92 - \$1,774,643  
 For fiscal year 1990/91 - 1,278,185  
 \$3,052,828 for two year total  
 Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/10/92. Board of Finance defeated 4/28/92.

Above also referred to LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN: DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE.

21. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS. Submitted by Rep. Ralph F. Loglisci, R-14 and Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 4/6/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

22. \$ 50,000.00 - PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES COMMISSION - CODE 116.3220 JULY FOURTH - additional appropriation for fireworks display; funding is to be provided by the Coliseum Authority.  
 Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/21/92.  
 Board of Finance defeated 4/28/92.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN: DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE.

23. \$ 2,500.00 - PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES COMMISSION - CODE 116.3210 MEMORIAL DAY - additional appropriation to cover police costs involved with parade; funding to be provided by grant from Coliseum Authority. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/21/92. Board of Finance approved 4/28/92.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE. MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

24. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT AN HIV/AIDS COUNSELING, TESTING, EDUCATION, AND RISK REDUCTION PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/13/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE. MR. DeLUCA AND ONE ABSTENTION. MR. KOSBOB.

MRS. DOMONKOS Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Mr. DeLuca voting no on items 2, 8, 13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 23 and 24. Mr. Kosbob abstained on all the item on the Consent Agenda. Mr. Jetta voted no on item 16.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. DOMONKOS 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 three no votes.

25. \$ 35,000.00 - LABOR NEGOTIATOR - CODE 271.5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS additional appropriation to be used for labor relations consultant as well as contract negotiation actuarial services. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 4/24/92.

Above also referred to Labor Relations Committee.

MRS. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 3-2-1 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve \$35,000 for Labor Negotiator. APPROVED by a voice vote of 30 yes, five no votes, Mrs. Perillo, Mr. DeLuca, Ms. J. Rinaldi, Mr. Jetta and Mr. LaDestro and one abstention, Mr. Kosbob.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee met on Monday, April 27, 1992, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Maria Nakian, Ellen Bromley, Carmen Domonkos, Gregory LaDestro, Audrey Maihock, Elaine Mitchell, David Martin, Scott Morris, Joan Rinaldi, Donald Sherer and John Zelinsky. Also present were James Carr, Commissioner of Finance and Daniel McCabe, Corporation Counsel.

1. (L&R22.11) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATMENT 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. Approved for publication 4/6/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee approved the item by a vote of 6 in favor, one opposed with no abstentions. Moved. Seconded.

MR. LOGLISCI asked if the property would be automatically removed from the tax rolls next year?

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Assessor would take the property off the 1992 tax list.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve for final adoption the proposed ordinance concerning tax abatement for Stamford Land Conservation Trust for property on Happy Hill Road. APPROVED by a vote of 26 yes, eight no votes with two abstentions.

2. (L&R22.19) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE PHASING IN THE DECENNIAL REVALUATION. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20 and David Martin, D-19, 4/7/92.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted seven in favor, one opposed with one abstention to approve. Moved. Seconded.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to return item 2. to Committee. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to return item 2. to Committee. APPROVED unanimously by voice vote.

3. (L&R22.18) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR ST. JOSEPH MEDICAL CENTER FOR REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 62 STRAWBERRY HILL COURT. Requested by Warren Rozelle, Controller, St. Joseph Medical Center, 128 Strawberry Hill Avenue, P. O. Box 1222, Stamford, CT 06904, 3/27/92.

MRS. NAKIAN said that the property was purchased to house nurses. She said that the Assessor said that the property would be tax exempt on the 1992 grand list and the abatement will refund \$945.00 for taxes paid by St. Joseph's at the time of purchase and for the exempt taxes on the 1991 grand list.

Mrs. Nakian said that the Committee voted five in favor, one opposed with one abstention for approval. Moved. Seconded.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked if the nurses would be paying rent?

MRS. NAKIAN stated that she was not sure whether rent is being paid. She said that she questioned whether the property was qualified for a tax exemption and Mr. Faski contacted St. Joseph's and was satisfied that the Hospital was qualified for tax exemption. Mrs. Nakian stated that there were perhaps eight properties in the area for the same use, all of which have been granted tax exemptions over the years.

MR. BOCCUZZI stated that with the present conditions, a closer look is being taken at tax exemptions as they are growing. He said that if rent is going to be charged to the nurses, how much rent will be charged to off balance the expenses? Mr. Boccuzzi wondered if the nurses were receiving any benefits in this case.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to publish the proposed ordinance concerning tax abatement for St. Joseph Medical Center for property at 62 Strawberry Hill Court. APPROVED by voice vote with 31 yes, five no votes, Mrs. Perillo, Mr. DeLuca, Mr. Loglisci, Mr. Jetta, and Mrs. Maihock and one abstention, Mr. LaDestro.

4. (L&R22.20) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CLARIFYING PROPER PROCEDURE AND APPROVAL FOR CLOSING OUT OF CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNTS. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20, David Martin, D-19, Carmen Domonkos, D-18 and Robert DeLuca, R-14, 4/20/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Jr., Chairman - No report.



PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - W. Dennis White, Chairman - No report.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Bobby Owens, Chairman - No report.

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

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Committee met on Thursday, April 20, 1992, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Audrey Maihock, Joseph Lovallo, Ellen Mellis, Joseph Gergle, James Rubino and Bobby Owens; other Board members present were Marggie Laurie and John Zelinsky. Also in attendance was Kevin Tappe, Barry Callahan and John W. Hinchcliffe. A public hearing was held; no person from the public appeared.

1. FOR REPUBLICATION (AS AMENDED) - 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. Approved for publication 4/6/92.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that the Committee discussed a possible amendment regarding regular maintenance being performed while the maintenance vehicle is parked in the fire lane. Mrs. Maihock said that she consulted with Corporation Counsel Daniel McCabe who provided the wording for the amendment. She said that a copy of the amendment was on everyone's desk. The amendment was under 8. No Parking or Standing - A. The penalty for parking or standing in a designated fire lane shall be as prescribed in the parking violation section of the Code of Ordinances, except in such cases where a regular maintenance is being performed on the subject property and the maintenance vehicle is attended and shall be promptly removed at the direction of public safety officials in the event of an emergency. The amended text is underscored.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that with the amendment, the proposed ordinance would have to be republished.

MRS. MAIHOCK stated that according to Corporation Counsel, it did not have to be republished.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that if an ordinance is changed after a public hearing, the public is entitled to know the changes before the fact and not after. President Lyons stated that with the amendment, the item now would be for republication.

MR. RUBINO suggested that the ordinance be Moved without the amendment so that the Fire Marshals can start their work and the amendment can be dealt with in the future.

PRESIDENT LYONS said that he had no objections to Mr. Rubino's suggestion.

MRS. MAIHOCK Moved for final adoption of the ordinance. Seconded.

MR. ZELINSKY wanted some clarification; he asked if the amendment proposed by Mrs. Maihock was being withdrawn and voting would be on the final adoption of the proposed ordinance?

PRESIDENT LYONS stated that the amendment was not being presented and the ordinance was up for final adoption.



HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE; (continued)

MR. ZELINSKY asked when anything would be done on the proposed amendment?

PRESIDENT LYONS stated that the amendment would be put on the Steering Agenda.

MR. ZELINSKY asked if there was any dire emergency that action be taken this evening on the final adoption of the proposed ordinance and to vote on the amendment later? He said that the proper procedure, if the amendment is important and it probably is if the Corporation Counsel drafted it, would be to incorporate the amendment and vote for republication with the amendment.

MRS. MELLIS said that the ordinance has been in the process for about five years; the amendment came up at the public hearing and could be inserted or deleted without too many changes or any harm to the ordinance.

MR. OWENS said that the amendment was important and was proposed by Mrs. Maihock from an interested person or constituent. He said that he dealt personally with the Fire Marshal and the situation at Newfield Cleaners. Mr. Owens felt the amendment was warranted and the ordinance should be republished.

MR. MARTIN Moved for approval of the amendment. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to approve the amendment. APPROVED by 22 yes and 14 no votes.

MR. MARTIN Moved to republish the ordinance as amended. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to republish the ordinance as amended. APPROVED by voice vote with two no votes, Mr. White and Mr. LaDestro.

2. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD CONCERNING MEDICARE PAYMENTS; RESOLUTION SUPPORTS THE TOWN OF NEWINGTON IN EFFORTS TO OBTAIN CHANGES IN THE FEDERAL AND/OR STATE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE ISSUE OF MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT. Currently, patients who qualify for federally sponsored Medicare are denied payment for paramedic service when volunteer ambulances transport the patient and paid paramedics are utilized. Submitted by Kevin B. Tappe, Deputy Chief, Stamford Fire Department, 3/25/92.

MRS. MAIHOCK said that Mr. John Hinchliffe appeared at the Committee meeting and spoke in favor of the resolution. The Committee was told by Mr. Hinchliffe that he felt that Medicare has taken a narrow view on what the State Statutes say. Mrs. Maihock stated that the resolution was submitted to the Corporation Counsel's office for approval; the Corporation Counsel's office made a minor change and she retyped the text into the form of a resolution. She said the Committee voted 5-1 to approve and Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mr. Rubino.

3. FEASIBILITY OF CREATING AN ORDINANCE MAKING IT MANDATORY THAT SEAT BELTS BE INSTALLED ON ALL SCHOOL BUSES. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, 4/22/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

MR. DeLUCA said that the Committee met on Tuesday, April 28, 1992; there was no quorum present. The Committee met this evening.

Mr. DeLuca placed item three on the Consent Agenda.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES BETWEEN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD. State took some property from the Finch-Levine site for the widening of Long Ridge Road; matching property located at High Ridge Road, Wire Mill Road and Exit 35 (southbound) ramp from the Merritt Parkway, and a water company parcel on Wire Mill Road. Parks and Recreation Commission approved 4/1/92. Submitted by Robert F. Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, 4/3/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE WIRE MILL ROAD PARCEL (ONCE ACQUIRED) AS "PARKLAND IN PERPETUITY". Submitted by Robert F. Neu, Director of Parks and Recreation, 4/13/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

3. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE STILLWATER AVENUE STREET TREE PROJECT. Submitted by Reps. Mary Lou Rinaldi, D-5 and Gloria DePina, D-5, 4/14/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

MR. DeLUCA Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

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

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

No report.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman

MS. MITCHELL said that the Committee met on Tuesday, April 28, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Reps. Jeffrey Curtis, Ellen Mellis, Elaine Mitchell and Annie Summerville. Excused were Reps. Fred Johnson and Nicholas Pavia. Absent was Rep. Garry Clemmons. Also in attendance was Tim Beeble from Community Development Program.

Ms. Mitchell placed item two on the Consent Agenda.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. PARTIAL FORGIVENESS OF LOAN FUNDS MADE TO NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM, INC. TO SUPPORT THE STAMFORD DEVELOPMENT FUND, INC.; UPON SALE OF NEXT UNIT BY NPPI, \$20,000 OF PROCEEDS WILL BE SENT DIRECTLY TO STAMFORD DEVELOPMENT FUND, INC. RATHER THAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM'S REVOLVING HOUSING FUNDS. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/13/92. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval. Held in Committee 3/2/92. Held in Steering 3/11/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. 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. 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 4/6/92.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

MS. MITCHELL Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

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

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

No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Donald Sherer, Chairman - No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Scott Morris, 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

No report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Joan Rinaldi, Chairman

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, 3/2 and 4/6/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

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 4/6/92.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

MR. MARTIN said that the Committee held two meetings; on April 30, 1992, Reps. James Rubino, Philip Stork and David Martin as well as Reps. William Belcher and Marggie Laurie; Reapportionment Commission Co-Chairs Michael Cacace and Betty Conti were present. The second meeting was held this evening, May 4, with all Committee members present; John Boccuzzi, Annie Summerville, Robert DeLuca, James Rubino, Philip Stork and David Martin.

1. REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION'S REPORT ON ELECTION BOUNDARIES AND VOTING DISTRICTS. Report modified, two blocks moved from 13th District to 19th District between Riverbank Drive, Shelter Rock Road, Rocky Rapids Road and East Branch of Mianus River. Submitted by Reapportionment Commission, 2/19/92. (Board has 60 days to take action) Held in Committee 4/6/92.

MR. MARTIN stated that a public hearing was held on April 30 with approximately 15 people present; about 10 speakers spoke to move two blocks from District 13 to District 19. Mr. Martin said that the Committee voted 6-0-0 to approve the two census blocks from the 13th to the 19th District; this was keeping with the input given at the public hearing. Mr. Martin said that the census blocks are blocks 203 and 206 in census track 202. He said the blocks are bounded by Rocky Rapids Road, Shelter Rock Road, Riverbank Drive, Riverbank Road and the East Branch of the Mianus River and Wildwood Road.

Mr. Martin Moved to modify the Commission's report by moving the two blocks from the 13th District to the 19th District. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS proceeded to a vote to modify the Commission's report as stated by Mr. Martin. APPROVED by a vote of 33 yes and one abstention.

MR. MARTIN Moved to accept the report as modified. Seconded.

PRESIDENT LYONS called for a vote to accept the Reapportionment Commission's report as modified. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

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

No report.

RESOLUTIONS - None.

MINUTES

1. MARCH 2, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved as corrected by Rep. John R. Zelinsky; on page 15, last line should read "He said he would vote against the resolution."
2. APRIL 6, 1992 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS - None.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

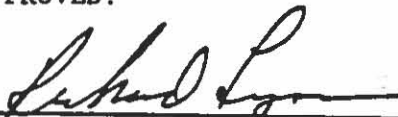
NEW BUSINESS - None.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded, and Approved by a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.



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

APPROVED:



Richard L. Lyons, President  
22nd Board of Representatives

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Enclosures