

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1994

23RD BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 23rd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Tuesday, February 1, 1994, in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 p.m. by Mary Lou Rinaldi after both parties met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Rabbi Israel Deren, Chabad-Lubavitch of Stamford  
57 Revonah Avenue, Stamford, CT 06905

"Our Father in heaven, the Bible tells us that man is compared to the tree in the field. Five days ago, we marked on the Jewish calendar Tu B'Shvat, the new year for trees in the midst of cold and at times, a harsh winter when the earth appears lifeless, frozen and unfeeling, the weather unforgiving, vegetation leafless and bare and the layer of ice covering all. At a time such as this, the new year for trees calls upon us to remember that underneath all that frozen lifelessness, there is indeed life. With the generous application of Your sunlight and warmth, those tree limbs will once again blossom, the flowers will bloom, the birds will return and the earth will tentatively express its unlimited capacities.

"As the elected representatives of our community meets tonight, we pray to You for the wisdom to be inspired by that new year message that underneath the quandary of planning, problems of budgets, difficulties in departments and challenges in our schools, there are real and live human beings; each one of them and us, endowed with a spark of Your infinite spirit and unlimited capacity for good. Help us help them to fill our community with more light, more warmth, more peace and more good as we do our part to hasten the day when You fulfill Your promise to us of a world filled with Your light, Your warmth, Your good and Your peace and let us say, Amen."

RABBI DEREN asked President Rinaldi if he could have a moment for a personal prayer for a member of the Board who is celebrating his 30th wedding anniversary this evening away from his family?

PRESIDENT RINALDI told Rabbi Deren he could have the time.

RABBI DEREN said that Ron and Louise Sabia are celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary. Rabbi Deren invoked God's blessings on Ron and Louise that they have many, many years together with their family, good health and happiness.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Mary Lou Rinaldi.

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 37 members present and three absent. Absent were Jeffrey Curtis (excused), Michael Larobina and William Belcher.

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE was taken by President Mary Lou Rinaldi. The machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late GERALD E. LONGO requested by Reps. John J. Boccuzzi, John R. Zelinsky, Jr. and John F. Leydon, Jr. "Gerald Longo was a friend. Mr. Longo served as treasurer of the Democratic City Committee. He was a founder and past president of the Stamford Special Police Association and served as vice president of the Municipal Employees Association. He also was a special deputy sheriff and was the first employee of the Stamford Parking Authority upon its formation in 1953. Mr. Longo was a member of the Knights of Columbus 4th Degree and was a past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus. He was also a past president of the American Italian Association. He is survived by his wife, Ann Marie Panapada Longo; a son, Det. Frank G. Longo of the Stamford Police Department; a daughter, Geraldine L. Flemming, three brothers, Frank W. Longo, William Longo and Carmine Longo; three sisters, Carmella Terenzio, Margaret DiDonato and Catherine Longo and two grandchildren, Gerald F. Longo and Paul C. Longo. Our deepest sympathy to his wife and family. He will be sorely missed."

For the late MARIE SABIA NOVEL requested by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi. "Mrs. Novel was a lifelong resident of Stamford. She was a daughter of John B. Sabia of Norwalk, a Stamford police officer, and Sherry Gregory of Twin Falls, Idaho. Mrs. Novel was employed by a Stamford law firm for many years and before that, she worked at the state Superior Court in Stamford. She is survived by her parents; her husband, James L. Novel; a daughter, Tanisha Novel; three brothers, John Sabia, Edward Sabia and Patrick Hummer; two sisters, Peggy Bowman and Susan Sabia; her maternal grandparents, Joseph Gregory and Blanche Evans; and several aunts and uncles. My sincerest sympathy to her husband, her daughter, her parents and other members of her family."

For the late NICK PALLADINO requested by Rep. Mildred Perillo. "Mr. Palladino was the husband of Janet Palladino. My deepest sympathy to Mrs. Palladino."

For the late CARMINE WILLIAM FIORE requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr. "Mr. Fiore was a constituent of mine. He was a member of St. Augustine Council #41 Knights of Columbus. He is survived by his wife, Mary and two children, Edward and Robert. My deepest sympathy to his wife and family. He will be sorely missed."

For the late MARK MARSEGLIA requested by Reps. Nicholas Pavia and Carmen Domonkos. "Mr. Marseglia served the city faithfully on the Patriotic and Special Events Commission. He was a man loved by all and will be greatly missed. Our sincerest sympathy and condolences to his family."

For the late LUCY D. KOVACS requested by Rep. Ellen Mellis. "Lucy Kovacs died January 3, 1994, at the age of 69. She was a lifelong resident of Stamford. She was also a retired dental hygienist and a Eucharistic Minister at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church. Along with her husband, Edward, her daughter Lori Barosky, her son George who survive her; she is also survived by our friend, neighbor, and Westhill High School teacher, Eugene Kovacs. To Gene and his wife Rosemary and his family, we extend our heartfelt condolences and sympathy. We hope that time and special, loving memories will ease your pain and sense of loss. Know our thoughts are with you."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late ULLA NIEPOLD POSNANSKY requested by Rep. Audrey Maihock.

"Ulla Niepold Posnansky, a resident of Stamford since 1941, died January 26, 1994. She was a long-time owner of a real estate agency, and in 1977 was recognized with an honorary membership by the Stamford Board of Realtors. She was an esteemed member also of St. Francis Church on Old Long Ridge Road for more than 40 years.

"Ulla was a dynamic person who lived her life with a widely admired optimistic flair. She chose energetic, challenging pursuits, including a professional dancing career in Europe earlier in her life, in spite of ill health, she participated with great enthusiasm in the Pegasus Therapeutic Riding program in Darien.

"Many knew Ulla's particular appreciation for beauty in nature as well as in beautiful objects because she so spontaneously shared it with others. Perhaps not realized by us all until her death was her reverence for the greatest beauty of all, the basic simplicity underlying each of our lives. Ulla was laid to rest on a cold, January day in a simple pine coffin lovingly crafted by a long-time neighbor.

"Deepest sympathy is extended to Ulla's immediate family and to her many friends who greatly miss her in their lives."

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD:

PRESIDENT RINALDI read a letter of resignation from William Belcher, R-13 District.

"Dear Madam President:

"I regret to advise that after much consideration, I have decided I must submit my resignation from the Board of Representatives effective immediately.

"While I have thoroughly enjoyed the privilege of serving my district and the city, I find that I simply cannot devote the quality time required to be both an effective representative and run a new and growing business.

"I wish continued success and best wishes to you and the Board.

"Sincerely,

"/s/ William Belcher"

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that William Belcher will be missed.

REP. MAIHOCK commended Rep. William Belcher for his conscientious and caring service to the City and to North Stamford.

REP. ZELINSKY said that it was an honor and privilege working with Rep. Belcher; he was a very conscientious representative and did his homework and was a true gentleman.

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD: (continued)

REP. LOGLISCI said that the Board will miss Bill Belcher and wished him well in his future endeavors. Rep. Loglisci said that there is a quality replacement, Steven Montello. "Steve Montello is a native of Stamford, a successful local businessman and lives with his wife and son on Roxbury Road."

Rep. Loglisci said that he was pleased to nominate Steven Montello as the Republican representative in District 13. Seconded.

REP. BOCCUZZI Moved that nominations be closed. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve Mr. Montello to fill the vacant seat in the 13th District. APPROVED unanimously by voice vote.

President Rinaldi administered the Oath of Office and congratulated Mr. Montello; Mr. Montello took his seat.

There were 38 members present and two absent.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi.

REPORT. Waived.

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

REP. STORK thanked Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi for her diligence and perseverance in allowing the Steering Committee to meet on a night that there was "a little snow on the ground" in the City and for her waiting until a quorum was present. He said for this, the business of the city was able to go forward and the Board owed Chairwoman Rinaldi a "thank you."

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, January 12, 1994, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi at 8:05 p.m. She declared a quorum.

Present at the meeting:

Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman  
Marggie Laurie  
Annie M. Summerville  
Donald Sherer  
Carmen Domonkos  
Bobby Owens

John J. Boccuzzi  
Ralph Loglisci  
Robert DeLuca  
Philip Stork  
John J. Zelinsky, Jr.  
Seth Amgott, Advocate  
Anne Kachaluba

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 22 of the 34 names appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Held in Steering were nine names and ordered off the Agenda were three names (two names were withdrawn by the Mayor and one name did not want to be interviewed by the City Committee). Those names ordered Held were not properly interviewed by their respective Town or City Committees.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were all 24 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.



STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

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

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

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

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Pending Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

HOUSE 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 - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

RESOLUTIONS - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon a motion made, Seconded and Approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Mary Lou T. Rinaldi, Chairwoman  
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Annie Summerville, Chairwoman

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that she was out-of-town on breavement leave, therefore, the report will be given in two parts. Rep. Summerville thanked Rep. John Boccuzzi and Rep. Philip Stork for taking over in her absence.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that the first meeting of the Appointments Committee met on January 24, 1994 at 6:30 p.m. Present were Gloria DePina, Ellen Mellis, Michael Larobina, Thomas Pia, Philip Stork, Alice Fortunato and John Boccuzzi; Board members present were Marggie Laurie, Elaine Mitchell and Bobby Owens.

Rep. Boccuzzi said that the Committee voted to place items 1, 2, 3, 6, 7 and 8 on the Consent Agenda.

REP. STORK said that the Committee continued with its adjourned meeting on Tuesday, January 25, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Reps. Gloria DePina, Alice Fortunato, Ellen Mellis, Thomas Pia, David Wilk and Philip Stork; absent and excused were Reps. John Boccuzzi, Michael Larobina and Annie Summerville. Other representatives present for some of the interviews were Lucy Corelli and John R. Zelinsky, Jr.

Rep. Stork said that the Committee voted to place items 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 on the Consent Agenda.

Rep. Stork Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda as voted on at both evening's meetings. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Rep. McDonald abstaining on item 22; President Rinaldi abstained on item 6.

REP. STORK said that on behalf of Rep. Boccuzzi and himself, he wanted to thank the members of the Committee for their patience and diligence over the course of the two long evenings conducting the interviews. He said that none of the appointees received a "free ride" as all members of the Committee asked tough, pertinent questions and the Committee was well satisfied as is evidenced by the Consent Agenda.

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that she wanted to thank Reps. Boccuzzi and Stork again for conducting the meetings. She said that they did a super job on a very heavy agenda.

SMITH HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORSTERM EXPIRES

1. MRS. DONNA LOGLISCI (R)  
39 Mercedes Lane  
(Held in Steering 12/15/93)

Replacing S. Signore who  
resigned. 12/1/96

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDADIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

2. MR. CHRISTOPHER LODGE BERGSTROM Reappointment.  
999 Forest Road  
New Haven, CT 06515

11/30/95

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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| 3. <u>MS. CLAIRE D. FRIEDLANDER</u> (D)<br>33 Lolly Lane | Reappointment. | 12/1/98 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

ZONING BOARD

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| 4. <u>MR. IRVING SLIFKIN</u> (R)<br>332 Mill Road | Reappointment. | 12/1/96 |
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HELD IN COMMITTEE

PLANNING BOARD - ALTERNATE

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| 5. <u>MR. HARRY ORLICK</u> (R)<br>31 Forestwood Drive | Reappointment. | 12/1/98 |
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HELD IN COMMITTEE

BOARD OF ETHICS

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| 6. <u>DR. MELVIN GROVE</u> (D)<br>790 Newfield Avenue | Reappointment. | 6/30/98 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, PRESIDENT RINALDI.

COMMISSION ON AGING

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| 7. <u>MR. TED GORMAN</u> (D)<br>80 Nichols Avenue | Reappointment. | 12/1/95 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

COMMISSION ON AGING

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| 8. <u>JOSEPH COTTONE</u> (R)<br>75-06 Courtland Avenue | Reappointment. | 12/1/96 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD

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| 9. <u>DR. PAUL WEINSTEIN</u> (D)<br>397 Pepper Ridge Road | Replacing Michael D'Elia<br>whose term expired. | 12/1/94 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARDTERM EXPIRES

10. <u>MR. RICHARD ROHR</u> (R) 59 East Lane	Reappointment.	12/1/96
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11. <u>MR. MICHAEL D'ELIA</u> (D) 19 Westwood Road	Reappointment.	1/1/96
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12. <u>MR. CARMINE TOSCHES</u> (R) 249 Westwood Road	Reappointment.	1/1/97
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13. <u>MR. GEORGE LOMBARDO</u> (R) 28 Nyselius Place	Reappointment.	1/1/97
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDAE. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COMMISSION

14. <u>MR. CONSTANTINE BRANDI</u> (R) 67 Noble Street	Reappointment.	12/1/96
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDAE. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COMMISSION

15. <u>MR. EDWIN O. LINDSTROM</u> (R) 42 Brightside Drive	Reappointment.	12/1/95
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDAHEALTH COMMISSION

16. <u>DR. BERT BALLIN</u> (D) 1 Stone Hill Avenue	Reappointment.	12/1/95
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA



APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE; (continued)

HEALTH COMMISSION

TERM EXPIRES

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| 17. <u>MR. WILLIAM JURAM</u> (R)<br>116 Woodside Green, Apt. 3-A | Reappointment. | 12/1/96 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

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| 18. <u>MS. BILLIE SHOCK</u> (R)<br>70 Mary Violet Road | Reappointment. | 12/1/95 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

PERSONNEL APPEALS BOARD

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| 19. <u>MS. ROCHELLE RETLEFF</u> (R)<br>31 Turn of River Road | Reappointment. | 12/1/98 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

SEWER COMMISSION

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| 20. <u>MR. PHILIP NORGREN</u> (D)<br>4 Interlaken Road | Reappointment. | 12/1/96 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

SEWER COMMISSION

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| 21. <u>MR. PATRICK SCARELLA</u> (D)<br>10 Burr Street | Reappointment. | 12/1/95 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

BOARD OF TAX REVIEW

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| 22. <u>MR. SYDNEY KWESKIN</u> (R)<br>Lakeside Drive | Reappointment. | 12/1/97 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. REP. McDONALD.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee met on January 26, 1994. Members present were Maria Nakian, Ralph Loglisci, Ronald Sabia and Carmen Domonkos; also, Reps. Audrey Maihock, Elizabeth Conti, Marggie Laurie, Andrew McDonald, Robert McLaughlin, John F. Leydon, Jr., John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Donald Sherer and Bobby Owens.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS placed items 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 19 and 22 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred or waived the Secondary Committee report.

Rep. Domonkos Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Rep. Leydon abstaining on item 3 and Rep. Fortunato abstaining on items 11 and 12.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee met again this evening at 6:45 to consider items one and two that were Held. Members present were Ronald Sabia, Carmen Domonkos, Ralph Loglisci, Elaine Mitchell, Maria Nakian, Gerald Rybnick and David Wilk.

- \$ 1,121.00 - APPROVED; BALANCE \$6,079.00 HELD IN COMMITTEE
1. \$ 7,200.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - PUBLIC SCHOOL NURSING - CODE 560-1230 COLLEGE TUITION - additional appropriation for individuals who have requested college tuition reimbursements. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/27/93. Board of Finance approved 10/21/93. Held in Steering 12/1/93. Held in Committee 1/3/94.

Note: \$1121.00 reimbursement for Maryann Williams' tuition.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said that item one was reduced from \$7,200 to \$1,121; \$6,079 was Held in Committee. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$1,121 for item one. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

- \$ 930.00 - APPROVED; BALANCE \$5,995.00 HELD IN COMMITTEE
2. \$ 6,925.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - CODE 550-1230 COLLEGE TUITION - additional appropriation for reimbursement of college tuitions for programs of study. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/27/93. Board of Finance approved 10/21/93. Held in Steering 12/1/93. Held in Committee 1/3/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

Note: \$930.00 reimbursement for Deborah Miller's tuition.

REP. DOMONKOS said that item two was reduced from \$6,925 to \$930; \$5,995 was Held in Committee. The vote was 7-0-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$930. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

3. \$ 15,000.00 - LAW DEPARTMENT - CODE 230-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation requested to fund legal secretary position through the end of the fiscal year. Secretary was laid off last fiscal year; it was necessary to rehire due to heavy workload. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/20/93. Board of Finance approved 12/9/93. Held in Steering 12/1/93. \$15,000 Held in Committee 1/3/94; \$9,798 approved 1/3/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, REP. LEYDON.

- \$524,849.00 - APPROVED; BALANCE \$2526.00 HELD IN COMMITTEE
4. \$527,375.00 - MAA CONTRACT APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT 999 - VARIOUS additional appropriation to fund contract settlement. Fiscal year 1992/93 Code 994-9202 Retro pay \$185,788  
Fiscal year 1993/94 341,587  
\$527,375
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said the Committee voted unanimously for approval of item four. Moved. Seconded.

REP. DeLUCA asked about increases for Code 553 cost sharing grant and Code 577 AIDS risk reduction grant. He said that to him, the word "grant" indicates that these positions are the result of grant funds and he wanted to know if that was so?

REP. DOMONKOS said that it appears that is the case.

REP. DeLUCA said that he was always told that once grant funds run out, the position is deleted from the payroll, and now, it appears, that these positions are being funded. He asked if these were permanent positions on the city's payroll?

REP. DOMONKOS said that on some grants, the city matches a portion of the cost of the grant; all grants are not 100% grants. She said that these people are members of the union.

REP. DeLUCA said that he was bothered by the fact that grant people are part of the union and what happens when the grant funds run out; is the city obligated to keep them on the payroll permanently? Rep. DeLuca said that it now appears that if the funds run out, and the person is a part of the union, they will be on the city's payroll.

REP. DOMONKOS said that she did not believe that the union contract states that that people have to be kept on if there are no funds to pay them. Rep. Domonkos said that she would check to get answers to Rep. DeLuca's questions.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DeLUCA Moved to approve \$524,849 and to Hold \$2,526 in Committee. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$524,849 and Hold \$2,526 in Committee. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

5. \$ 19,595.00 - ASSESSORS OFFICE - CODE 250-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover shortfall in account. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

- \$ 3,700.00 - APPROVED; BALANCE \$6,950.00 HELD IN COMMITTEE  
6. \$ 10,650.00 - CITY SOCIAL SERVICES - CODE 510-1230 COLLEGE TUITION - additional appropriation to reimburse employees for job-related courses. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said that item six was reduced from \$10,650 to \$3,700, holding \$6,950 in Committee; approved six in favor, none opposed. Moved. Seconded.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that perhaps the Chair of Fiscal should explain to the Board why reductions were made in the "College Tuition" requests.

REP. DOMONKOS said that when the last budget was approved, all tuition items were removed and a request was made that the department heads come in to justify tuition reimbursements. She said that this was now happening and the requests were reduced because where courses had been taken and a passing grade was received, the item was being approved for that amount; the remainder of the requests are being Held in Committee because people are taking courses now which have not been completed, therefore, when the courses are completed, the balance of the money will be reimbursed.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$3,700 for item six and Hold in Committee \$6,950. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

7. \$114,382.00 - DAY CARE PROGRAM - DEPARTMENT 93-751 VARIOUS - additional appropriation to bring trial balance in line with state budget. This is fully reimbursable by grant.
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| 751-1110 | \$ 12,779 | 751-2722 | \$ 9,759  |
| 751-1310 | 978       | 751-2740 | 4,846     |
| 751-1320 | 2,251     | 751-2930 | 133       |
| 751-1330 | 31,000    | 751-2934 | 2,500     |
| 751-1390 | 3,800     | 751-2940 | 4,969     |
| 751-2210 | 32,536    | 751-5150 | 6,641     |
| 751-2510 | 2,190     |          | \$114,382 |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

8. \$ 27,327.00 - DAY CARE ADMINISTRATION - DEPARTMENT 93-750 VARIOUS - additional appropriation to bring trial balance in line with state budget. This if fully reimbursable by grant.
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| 750-1110 | \$23,170     |
| 750-2923 | 663          |
| 750-1310 | 1,773        |
| 750-1390 | 654          |
| 750-1320 | <u>1,067</u> |
|          | \$27,327     |

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

9. \$ 9,425.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - DEPARTMENT 93-559 TB CONTROL PROGRAM - CODE 93-559.1330 MEDICAL & LIFE - additional appropriation to increase grant amount. This grant is fully reimbursable. To be used for tuberculosis outreach nurse. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

10. \$ 24,700.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - DEPARTMENT 93-567 SENIOR HEALTH PROGRAM - VARIOUS - additional appropriation to appropriate approved 1993/94 grant program.
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| 93-567-1130 part-time       | \$20,431.00     |
| 93-567-1310                 | 1,563.00        |
| 93-567-2930 office supplies | 706.00          |
| 93-567-3736 clinic supplies | <u>2,000.00</u> |
|                             | \$24,700.00     |

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

ITEM WITHDRAWN

11. \$500,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1993/94 FOR PROJECT CODE 310-161 CITYWIDE RESURFACING - additional appropriation for citywide road resurfacing based on a 15-year repaving cycle. To be financed by grant. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by grant, otherwise financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the City expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated in Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Planning Board approved 1/11/94. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, REP. FORTUNATO.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

12. \$500,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1993/94 FOR PROJECT CODE 310-1593 CITYWIDE SIDEWALKS - additional appropriation for reconstruction of deteriorated sidewalks in high volume areas, including ramps, grade and seed, etc. To be financed by grant. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by grant, otherwise financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the City expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated in Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Planning Board approved 1/11/94. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, REP. FORTUNATO.

13. \$341,249.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - DEPARTMENT 430-DRUG ENFORCEMENT GRANT VARIOUS - additional appropriation to cover fully reimbursable grant.
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| 93-430-1201 overtime                 | \$319,949     |
| 93-430-2940 travel                   | 6,300         |
| 93-430-3422 major investigation unit | <u>15,000</u> |
|                                      | \$341,249     |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

14. \$ 21,958.00 - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING - CODE 280-1212 STANDBY TIME - additional appropriation needed to continue emergency response services. Standby time was reduced by half in 1993/94 budget. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Request changed to transfer 1/13/94.

Above also referred to TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

ITEM WITHDRAWN

15. \$ 5,200.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - STERLING THEATRE - CODE 642-2210 MAINTENANCE OF BUILDING - additional appropriation for unanticipated expense for septic tank pump-out due to increased use. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

16. \$ 600.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - 601-ADMINISTRATION - CODE 601.1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for funding of park police for Michael Bolton Foundation fund raiser. City's general fund reimbursed by Foundation. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

17. \$ 225.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - PROGRAMS - CODE 640-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to cover services provided by Recreation Division for Michael Bolton Foundation fund raiser. Foundation reimbursed City's general fund. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

- \$ 1,776.00 - APPROVED  
18. \$ 2,000.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - PROGRAMS - CODE 640-1230 COLLEGE TUITION - additional appropriation to reimburse clerk-typist for courses taken. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said that item 18 was reduced from \$2,000 to \$1,776; Reimbursement will be made for the exact amount for the courses taken. She said that the Committee approved the request by seven in favor and none opposed. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$1,776 for item 18. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

19. \$ 2,906.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - MAINTENANCE - CODE 630-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for park maintenance services provided for Michael Bolton Foundation fund raiser and Downtown Special Services District Christmas decoration installation. Both organizations have reimbursed City's general fund. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/29/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

- \$ 3,500.00 - APPROVED; BALANCE \$24,000.00 HELD IN COMMITTEE
20. \$ 27,500.00 - PLANNING BOARD - CODE 104-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation to restore \$24,000 for position of Planning and Zoning Director and \$3,500 to pay differential compensation to provisional Planning and Zoning Director. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/6/93. Board of Finance approved \$3,500; \$24,000 deferred 1/13/94.

Above also referred to PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the item was reduced from \$27,500 to \$3,500 by the Board of Finance. She said the amount was for differential pay for the acting Planning and Zoning Director and was approved by the Committee with seven in favor and none opposed for the \$3,500. Moved. Seconded.

REP. LaDESTRO Moved to waive the Secondary Committee report. Seconded.

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$3,500 for the Planning Board and Hold \$24,000. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

21. REVIEW OF REPORT ON CAPITAL FUNDS FOR STAMFORD SENIOR CENTER. Request by Rep. Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 1/4/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that in May, the Commission on Aging wrote to the Committee regarding the status of funding for the Senior Center. She said that it appeared that there was some confusion as to the amount of money approved for the Center.

Rep. Domonkos said that Eva Weller, Researcher for the Board, was asked to research the matter and to do a complete analysis from when the Center was first proposed. Rep. Domonkos said that Mrs. Weller's did a voluminous report and it was excellently done.

Rep. Domonkos said that she met with the Commission on Aging and the Commission came to the Fiscal meeting. Rep. Domonkos said that the first money was awarded in 1988/89, \$25,000 in the capital projects budget when Willard School was first proposed as the initial site for a senior center; an initial design was done for that amount of money; in 1989/90, an initial request was submitted by the Mayor for \$3.5 million, and this was where a lot of confusion occurred. Rep. Domonkos said that many of the seniors thought that the \$3.5 million was approved for the center. Rep. Domonkos stated that when the final budget was approved, the 3.5 million was reduced to \$250,000. She said that again this was for the planning of the senior center at the former Willard School; this was scrapped by the Mayor and Hunt Center was researched as a possibility and finally, the Hillandale site, the former Board of Education building was decided on.

Rep. Domonkos said that in 1990/91, there was an initial request of \$3 million in the Mayor's budget; at final approval, it was reduced to \$1 million and that was to construct the Hillandale senior center. Also, in 1991/92, a \$250,000 grant was received from the State of Connecticut out of bond funds for Hillandale Avenue.



FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that the total amount of funds approved was \$1,525,000 for the senior center. Rep. Domonkos stated that at this point, \$299,614 has been spent of the money; part was for the initial design for Willard School; a Hunt feasibility study; final drawings for Hillandale; and currently, there is a contract with L&M Roofing for \$126,554 for a new roof. She said that the Clerk of the Works for the City has been paid \$3,000 out of the grant and \$2,000 will be spent to audit the \$250,000 grant. Rep. Domonkos said that what is left is \$1,227,386 for the remainder of completing the center. Rep. Domonkos said that the project had to be cut back; the second floor will not be renovated as extensively as initially planned; on the first floor there will be a new kitchen, meeting rooms, new elevator and it is hoped that an "Open House" will be held around Thanksgiving time.

Rep. Domonkos said that the Commission on Aging was very satisfied with the report and all their questions were answered. Rep. Domonkos said that all members of the Committee received a copy and if any member wanted to review the report, contact her. She said that now there is a time-line and finally, there will be a senior center in Stamford.

22. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES FOR AIDS RISK REDUCTION OUTREACH WORKER (ARROWS) PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/7/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

23. STATUS OF CONTINGENCY FUND AND PROJECTED EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE END OF 1993-94 BUDGET YEAR. ALSO, STATUS OF COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES. Requested by Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 1/10/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee was bit a disappointed as Commissioner O'Connor was invited to come to give the status report. She said that all members received a copy of the status of the contingency fund and the fund is dismally low. She said that after what is being appropriated this evening, there is \$74,000 left. Rep. Domonkos said that there was a large number of cuts made in the budget which have been added back, such as several positions in the Health Department, the Public Works Department had a large error in the budget, over \$146,000 had to be added back. Also, this evening we have \$107,000 for the sewage treatment plant for overtime under Suspension of Rules.

Rep. Domonkos said that Commissioner Pavia sent the Controller and the Budget Director to the meeting who did not have answers on the anticipated spending for the balance of the year. Rep. Domonkos said that she indicated to the Budget Director that the Board has been hesitant to appropriate money where there is none left in the contingency; they indicated that the Board of Finance does not like to make transfers until the end of the year to balance out accounts. Rep. Domonkos said that at next month's meeting, the Commissioner of Finance will be requested to attend and to give a more comprehensive report as to where the city is going for the next five months.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that on the delinquent taxes, a report came from the Corporation Counsel stating that currently, there were \$13.5 million in outstanding delinquent taxes; \$11.2 million is principal and the remainder is interest. She said that approximately \$500,000 is being collected in most months. Also, since 1987, the amount of delinquent taxes has risen each year. She said that collection is contracted out to local attorneys, and there is concern as the amount is high and this could affect our bond rating if these taxes are not brought down.

REP. BOCCUZZI asked if he was correct in understanding that the Board of Finance likes to wait until the end of the year to transfer when in deficit spending?

REP. DOMONKOS said that Rep. Boccuzzi was correct. She said that rather than making transfers each month, the Board of Finance prefers to wait until the end of the year to see where they can cover.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that in order to keep the Board informed, when the Board of Finance approves monies over and above of what is left in the contingency fund, the Board should be notified of where the money will be coming from.

REP. DOMONKOS said that what Rep. Boccuzzi was saying was part of what was asked of the Controller and Budget Director.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that it should be required that the Board know before the end of the year where savings or reductions are to be made because if you wait until the end of the year, the city may be in deficit spending.

REP. DeLUCA asked if the Chair could get some information for him. He wanted to know how much was taken out of the contingency to account for items that the Mayor cut out of the budget in order to present a bare-bones budget to the fiscal boards. Rep. DeLuca stated that it is nice to cut the budget, but later, the money is taken out of the contingency fund and the public is not aware of that. He said that a contingency fund is not to reinstate positions that were cut out of the budget.

24. DISCUSSION OF FISCAL COMMITTEE PLAN AND PROCEDURES FOR THE 1994/1995 CITY BUDGET. Requested by Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 1/10/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee agreed to look at several things for the next budget. She said that the city should be planning on more than a year by year basis and a projection of more than one year should be looked at. Rep. Domonkos said that departments will be asked to project what they feel a two-year budget would look like; hard figures for the first year and projected figures for the next year.

Rep. Domonkos said that departments will also be asked to prioritize their services. She said that an Economic Development meeting was held two weeks ago and a lot of discussion centered on the services offered by the departments and how some departments serve the citizens of the city well and others not as well. Rep. Domonkos said that departments will be asked how the staff is deployed to offer the services.

FISCAL COMMITTEE; (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that department budgets will be looked at more indepth this year; the Fiscal Committee has been divided into four separate subcommittees and each subcommittee will be looking into specific departments that they will be responsible for at the current budget and next year's budget. She that there will be a committee for the Board of Education and the Parks and Recreation Committee and members will be Ralph Loglisci, Nick Pavia and Carmen Domonkos; Police and Fire budgets will be the responsibility of Elaine Mitchell, Donald Sherer and Gerry Rybnick; Public Works will be Maria Nakian, David Wilk and John Hogan; Human Services, Health Department and Volunteer Fire Departments will be Gloria DePina and Ronald Sabia.

Rep. Domonkos said that when the departments come in for their budget reviews, the subcommittees will be responsible for having indepth information. She said that the Committee wanted to be well-informed as this year will be a tough budget year.

REP. DOMONKOS Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded.

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

25. \$107,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - CODE 341.1201 OVERTIME - SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT - additional appropriation needed due to 1993/94 budget cuts. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/13/94. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Sewage Treatment Plant department was cut drastically; there were 12 operators who operated the equipment and were cut to seven and there is one opening. She said that a new person hopefully will be hired by mid-March. She said that there were a few people seriously ill and out, overtime has to be used and three people must be on a shift at all times, especially on evenings and weekends; this is when the overtime is used.

Rep. Domonkos said that the Committee voted seven to zero to approve. Moved. Seconded.

REP. HOGAN asked about the \$74,000 left in the contingency fund. He said that on item 25, the Board of Finance approved \$107,000 which he believes that the Board of Finance authorized deficit spending on the item.

REP. DOMONKOS said that what Mr. Hogan stated was correct.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve \$107,000 for Sewage Treatment overtime. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Rep. Fortunato.

REP. LOGLISCI said that \$74,000 in contingency is the amount left after the \$107,000; it is not deficit spending.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee met twice in January; the first meeting was held on Tuesday, January 18, 1994 for the public hearing on the proposed ordinance Creating the Enterprise Zone. Present were Committee members Maria Nakian, Carmen Domonkos, Gregory LaDestro, John F. Leydon, Jr., Audrey Maihock, David Martin, Andrew McDonald, Elaine Mitchell, David Scalzi, Donald Sherer and John R. Zelinsky, Jr.; also, Reps. Ellen Mellis, Ralph Loglisci, Lucy Corelli, John Boccuzzi and Bobby Owens and approximately 30 members of the public; 16 of whom spoke in favor of the ordinance; there was no one who spoke in opposition.

Rep. Nakian said that the second meeting was held on Monday, January 24, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Maria Nakian, Gregory LaDestro, John F. Leydon, Jr., Audrey Maihock, David Martin, Andrew McDonald, Elaine Mitchell and John R. Zelinsky, Jr.; Reps. Carmen Domonkos and Donald Sherer were excused. Also present were Richard Robinson, Asst. Corporation Counsel; Allen Grafton of the Stamford Public Schools; and Stephen Elkins, Director of Parks and Recreation on item 5 and Capt. Schoch of the Salvation Army on item 7.

Rep. Nakian placed item 4 on the Consent Agenda.

1. (L&R23.01) PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF A LEASE BETWEEN METROVISION OF NORTH AMERICA, INC. AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/27/93. Planning Board approved 11/9/93. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval. Held in Steering 12/1/93. Held in Committee 1/3/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. (L&R23.03) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 46 ATLANTIC STREET OWNED BY URBAN LEAGUE OF SOUTHWESTERN CONNECTICUT, INC. Request by Carol Manne, Vice President of Operations, Urban League of Southwestern Connecticut, Inc., 46 Atlantic Street, Stamford, CT 06901, 11/12/93. Held in Steering 12/1/93. Approved for publication 1/3/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Urban League is a charitable/educational 501(c) organization and purchased the property on June 25, 1993; the property was granted tax exempt status by the Tax Assessor effective with the 1993 Grand List. She said that the Urban League requested that this tax exemption be made effective as of the date of purchase, 6/25/93; the taxes abated by the ordinance cover the period from June 25 through the Grand List year of 1992 and on July 1, 1994, the tax exemption granted by the Tax Assessor becomes effective.

Rep. Nakian Moved that the ordinance be amended; the ordinance does not change as the ordinance passed before said "effective June 25." Rep. Nakian said that the amendment spells out the dates covered by the exemption to make it more clear as to the day and grand year. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote on Rep. Nakian's amendment. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.



LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted five in favor and one opposed to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote to approve for publication, the proposed ordinance concerning tax abatement for Urban League of Southwestern Connecticut, Inc. APPROVED by 30 yes, six no votes with one abstention. Note: Due to an inadvertent error, there was no printout of the vote.

3. (L&R23.05) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE CREATION OF AN ENTERPRISE ZONE. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/19/93. Planning Board approved 12/28/93. Held in Steering 12/1/93. Approved for publication 1/3/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that Stamford is the fifth largest manufacturing city in the state and the only city that does not have an Enterprise Zone. She said that the purpose of creating an Enterprise Zone is to provide incentives, both city and state, to retain manufacturing companies and jobs and to attract new ones. She said that manufacturing in Stamford employs 16,800 people and is the second largest user of non-residential space; however, since 1985, 11,000 manufacturing jobs have been lost. Rep. Nakian said that it is believed that something must be done to create new jobs in the sector.

Rep. Nakian said that there are four manufacturing companies which are ready or about to commit to expanding or relocating to Stamford if the Enterprise Zone is created. She said that that would retain or create 340 manufacturing jobs; increase the Grand List by \$7.4 million; increase annual tax receipts by \$106,400 in the five years of the tax abatement and \$275,000 thereafter; and generate an additional \$20 million per year in spending in the local economy. Rep. Nakian stated that in the long run with the Enterprise Zone, it is estimated that the incentives have the potential to create 2,400 new jobs in the next five to ten years. She said that another purpose of the Enterprise Zone is the revitalization of the area where the zone is located and the provisions of jobs for people living in the Enterprise Zone area; to this purpose, the state provides incentives for new jobs created with greater incentives if the jobs are filled by area residents and requires the city to provide a 7-year phase in of increased assessments due to improvements to non-industrial properties. Rep. Nakian said that the city cannot require that jobs created go to area residents, the Board's intention of the goal of 30% of the jobs for area residents was added to the ordinance to make clear the fact that this is what the Board would like to see happen.

Rep. Nakian said that the Enterprise Zone Board created by the ordinance will assist in developing and implementing a comprehensive plan for the promotion and development of the zone and for coordinating economic development programs in the zone with related job training, recruitment, social service programs and to adopt an Enterprise Zone revitalization plan. She said that the Board is to be comprised of city officials and community representatives. She said that after the public hearing held last week, the Committee added to the ordinance, the requirement that two residents of the zone also be members of the Board.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. NAKIAN said that as a result of the public hearing, there were a few very minor changes made to the ordinance. She Moved to amend the ordinance;

In the third "Whereas," "24.6% of its residents living below the poverty level" is being deleted. This change was requested by the Planning Board.

Page 2, before "Section 2 - Manufacturing" previously stated was "based on the recommendation of the Economic Development Commission." The change is to read, "In accordance with the recommendation of the Economic Development Commission of the City of Stamford."

Page 6, paragraph dealing with the composition of the Board, will now read, "5. Two people who are residents of the Enterprise Zone."

REP. NAKIAN said that a letter was received from Corporation Counsel stating that these changes do not require republication. She Moved for approval of the amendments. Seconded.

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

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee approved the ordinance with the amendments by seven in favor, none opposed and two abstentions.

REP. ZELINSKY said that he will be voting to creating the Enterprise Zone; he had strong reservations regarding the employment of residents living in the area to work for the companies that will be receiving benefits provided by the zone. He said that he wished the legislative body could do more to guarantee jobs for residents of that area and other unemployed residents of the city.

REP. MAIHOCK said that presumably some benefit will accrue from the effort to create an Enterprise Zone if the zone succeeds. She said that in recent articles, it was indicated that some Enterprise Zones have not been as successful as anticipated. Rep. Maihock said that her concern is that the beneficiaries of the zone may not be the current residential taxpayers considering the present high burden placed on the single-family homeowners to compensate for the inability of the commercial sector to should its equitable burden due to the present re-evaluation. Rep. Maihock said that services will have to expand to meet the further requirements of the zone, and possibly could reduce the already inadequate police and other services needed but not received in the present residential districts.

REP. WHITE said that he had reservations concerning the ordinance. He said that the language is very strong and specific when it comes to the rights of the various businesses that will be moving into the area. He said that the language is quite general and weak concerning the rights of the people who will be employed and the people who live in the neighborhoods. Rep. White said that there was quite a bit of non-conforming residences in the area and there is no protection offered in the ordinance whatsoever.

Rep. White said that the South End and the Waterside area is a large geographic region and the zone is being created in a huge area. He said that a small area should be designated first and see if the zone works there first; if it works, then the zone can be expanded. Rep. White said that what is being done now is that a large area is being seeded with no real protection and he thought that to be objectionable.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. WHITE said that other cities around the state have adopted the Enterprise Zone and not one has said that it works. He said that the Mayor of Norwalk stated that it was good only for public relations. He said that he could not see why everyone is touting this Enterprise Zone; he said that he thought it was a disaster for the City of Stamford. He urged other Board members to vote against the ordinance.

REP. CONTI said that she shared some of the concerns of other representatives. She said that she was bothered about the 40% tax abatement supplied by the city and an additional 40% that new companies can receive from the state, thereby, reducing their taxes to 20%. She said that homeowners in Stamford in single-family residences and multi-family residences will still be paying the same amount of taxes; the businesses located in the area for 20 years are not receiving any incentives for their loyalty to the city. She said that we are selling out the businesses that have been loyal and have employed people. She said that this is wrong. She urged other members to vote against the ordinance in the hopes that we can create a better ordinance for an Enterprise Zone.

REP. OWENS said that he also had reservations about the ordinance, but in lieu of everything coming into the city or going out, a jump start of some type is needed to help the city. He said that some negatives have been heard regarding the zone; Kip Bergstrom, Economic Development Director, said that the zone is just part of what is needed to hopefully keep businesses in Stamford and to attract businesses here.

Rep. Owens said that he is hoping that the 30% of jobs created that are to be filled by the residents is carefully monitored to make sure this happens. Rep. Owens said that all businesses coming into Stamford should contribute part of their fair share of the 30% for the residents of the zone.

REP. LOGLISCI said that the program is a state one, basically, all or nothing thus limiting input. He said that some wording was added to encourage the use of local people and to give some incentives. Rep. Loglisci said that Stamford has coordinated many different groups together whereas other towns walked into the program without coordination. He said that Stamford has a better chance than the other towns to make a larger impact as Stamford is a desirable location to come to to start with and this is an added incentive. Rep. Loglisci said that if the businesses are attracted that we hope to, that people in North Stamford will gain as the tax base will be larger and some of the burden will be taken off the residential owners. He said that there is not much choice and we must take a chance on the zone.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that the 40% tax abatement given by the state will come to the city and the city will give up a 40% tax abatement. He said that the tax abatement is only on the new part of the development; 40% will be gotten only on the improvements. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that whatever new personal property goes into the business will be taxed at a 100%. He said that on the taxes collected from any individual industry that takes advantage of the zone, the city will gain at least 40% in property taxes and a 100% of the personal property taxes.

REP. MARTIN said that there was economic stagnation and job loss in Stamford and in the state. He said that the Enterprise Zone was not the perfect solution and much work has been done on the ordinance to be as we think it ought to be. Rep. Martin stated that if a question is asked if this proposal would hurt our city, he thinks that it would not.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. MARTIN said that there were concerns if residential areas could negatively be hurt by this area but according to the analysis done by Robin Stein, Director of Planning and Zoning, he did not think so. Rep. Martin said that tax abatements are given in order to grow. He said that he was hopeful that the proposal will help the city and was in favor of the ordinance; the ordinance has to be watched as it mandates six-month reports. Rep. Martin said that it is up to the officials to make certain that the program is effective.

REP. OWENS said that as a representative in one of the areas of the zone, he asked that Board members support the Enterprise Zone and help with the monitoring of the zone.

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote to approve for final adoption, the proposed ordinance concerning the Creation of an Enterprise Zone. APPROVED by 34 yes, three no votes with one abstention.

4. (L&R23.08) PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE CORRECTION OF A SCRIVENER'S ERROR IN SECTION C5-100-6 OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD CONCERNING THE BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS. Submitted by Daniel M. McCabe, Corporation Counsel, 12/17/93.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION. REP. McDONALD.

5. (L&R23.09) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING DOGS. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20, Carmen Domonkos, D-18 and Elaine Mitchell, D-2, 1/4/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the ordinance was carried over from the last Board; the ordinance requires that all dogs be on a leash at all time when on public property including streets, sidewalks, parks and Board of Education property.

Rep. Nakian said that at the request of the dog owners who attended the public hearing, the ordinance provides that dogs may be unleashed if they are in fenced-in areas on city property where this use is allowed. She said that in Committee, the Committee was split on the decision; some believed that the city should provide space for dog runs, others believed that it should not. Rep. Nakian said that the Committee approved the ordinance by six in favor, one opposed and no abstentions with the provision for the purpose of publication. She said that the Committee talked to the Director of Parks and Recreation about the possibility of the city providing spaces for the running of unleashed dogs, and this will be considered if the ordinance is approved.

Rep. Nakian Moved the ordinance for publication. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve for publication, proposed ordinance concerning dogs. APPROVED by voice vote with five no votes, Reps. Johnson, Vittti, Sherer, LaDestro and Pia.

6. (L&R23.10) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING PUBLIC GATHERINGS. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20 and Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 1/4/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE



LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

7. (L&R23.11) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING TAX ABATEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 26 FLORENCE COURT OWNED BY THE SALVATION ARMY. Requested by Captain Kevin B. Schoch, Commanding Officer, The Salvation Army, 20 Beehler Street, P. O. Box 1171, Stamford, CT 06904, 1/7/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Salvation Army is a religious/charitable 501(c) (3) organization and purchased the property on May 14, 1993 which is to be used as a home for the officer family assigned to Stamford. She said that the property was granted tax exempt status by the Tax Assessor to be effective with the 1993 Grand List. She said that the Salvation Army requested that this tax exemption be made effective as of the date of purchase, 5/14/93; taxes abated by this ordinance cover the period from May 14 to June 30, 1993, Grand List year of 1991, in the amount of \$466.71 and the period from July 1, 1993 to June 30, 1994, which is the Grand List year of 1992, in the amount of \$\$3,744.40. Rep. Nakian said that on July 1, 1994, the Tax Assessor granted exemption becomes effective. Rep. Nakian said that the Committee voted eight in favor with none in opposition. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to publish the proposed ordinance Concerning Tax Abatement for property owned by the Salvation Army. APPROVED by voice vote with three no votes, Reps. Perillo, DeLuca and Vitti.

REP. NAKIAN Moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with Rep. McDonald abstaining on item four.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Jr., Chairman

REP. HOGAN said that the Committee did not meet.

1. APPROVAL OF SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS PER SECTION 5-10-3(B) OF THE CHARTER TO AMEND THE PAY PLAN FOR CLASSIFIED AND UNCLASSIFIED ADMINISTRATORS AS OUTLINED IN LETTER OF 7/22/93. Submitted by Sim Bernstein, Personnel Director, 7/22/93. Personnel Commission approved 7/21/93. Board of Finance approved 9/9/93. Held in Committee 12/13/93. Held in Steering 12/15/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEEPLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Gregory LaDestro, Chairman

REP. LaDESTRO said that the Committee met on January 25, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Attending were Patrick White, Gloria DePina, John Boccuzzi, Nicholas Pavia, Philip Stork, Ronald Sabia, Lucy Corelli and Gregory LaDestro.

1. PETITION FOR ROAD ACCEPTANCE - 240 FEET INCLUDING PERMANENT TURNAROUND BAKER PLACE OFF BROOK RUN LANE PARALLEL TO LONG RIDGE ROAD. MAP SHOWING CONSOLIDATION OF LOTS AND SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY PREPARED FOR CRYSTAL ROCK WATER COMPANY. MAP ON FILE IN CITY CLERK'S OFFICE UNDER FILE NO. M-12425. Petitioner is Greyrock Holdings Ltd., Jerry Effren, President, 855 Oronoke Road, Unit 13, Waterbury, CT 06708, 11/17/93. Held in Committee 1/3/94. Certified for acceptance by Carl Ruspini, P.E., Design Engineer, letter 1/28/94.



REP. LaDESTRO said that he received a lot of material on the item except for a letter from the Engineer. He said that now a letter has been received from the Design Engineer of the city certifying the street was ready for acceptance. Rep. LaDestro said that members of the Committee now asking that the item be taken out of Committee. Moved. Seconded.

REP. RINALDI called for a vote to take out of Committee the petition of road acceptance for Baker Place. APPROVED by voice vote with Rep. White in opposition.

REP. LaDESTRO Moved to accept Baker Place as a city street. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Jeffrey Curtis & Bobby Owens, Co-Chairmen

REP. OWENS said that the Committee met at a seminar held on Saturday, January 29, 1994; the seminar was sponsored by the Mayor and Commissioner of Public Works.

1. MATTER OF THE POTENTIAL COSTS TO THE TAXPAYERS RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE CLOSING OF STAMFORD'S INCINERATOR. ALSO, IN WHOSE AUTHORITY DOES THE DECISION TO CLOSE THE FACILITY LIE. Submitted by Reps. Carmen Domonkos, D-18 and Maria Nakian, D-20, 12/14/93. Report made and Held in Committee 1/3/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. OWENS said that the Committee hoped to receive the answers at the seminar but did not.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Audrey Maihock & Ralph Loglisci, Co-Chairpersons

No report.

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

REP. DeLUCA said that the Committee met on Thursday, January 27, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Robert DeLuca, Thomas Pia, Mildred Perillo, Bobby Owens, Donald Sherer, Marggie Laurie and Kit Martinsen; also present were Rep. Carmen Domonkos; Parks and Recreation Director Stephen Elkins; Corporation Counsel Daniel McCabe; Parks and Recreation Commission member Ryan; Ms. Guzda and Ms. Colatrella from Curtain Call.

1. APPROVAL OF INTERIM MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CURTAIN CALL, INC. AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD FOR THE ETHEL KWESKIN THEATER. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/19/93. Held in Steering 12/1 & 12/15/93.

REP. DeLUCA said that the Committee voted seven in favor with none opposed to approve. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 1. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR EXCHANGE OF PROPERTIES BETWEEN STATE AND CITY IN REGARDS TO FINCH PROPERTY AND WIRE MILL ROAD. Submitted by Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairman, Parks & Recreation Committee, 12/13/93. Held in Steering 12/15/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

3. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING WIRE MILL ROAD PARCEL AS PARKLAND IN PERPETUITY. Submitted by Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairman, Parks & Recreation Committee, 12/13/93. Held in Steering 12/15/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. DeLUCA Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up two items not on the Agenda. Seconded.

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

4. PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE APPROVAL OF AN EXTENSION OF TIME FOR CURTAIN CALL, INC. TO CONTINUE THE OPERATION OF ETHEL KWESKIN STERLING BARN THEATER. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/20/94.

REP. DeLUCA Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the extension for Curtain Call, Inc. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

5. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED 1994-95 MARINA FEES. Parks and Recreation Commission approved 1/14/94. Submitted by Stephen L. Elkins, Director, Parks and Recreation Department, 1/18/94.

REP. DeLUCA said that the Committee voted for approval of the fees with one exception; delete the last paragraph which states that an individual slip holder will receive a free park sticker. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the marina fees as amended. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

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

REP. ZELINSKY said that the Committee met on Wednesday, January 26, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. to take up the Secondary Committee items. Present were Chair Zelinsky, Vice Chair Leydon, Reps. Maihock, Laurie and McLaughlin.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Michael Larobina, Chairman - No report.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman  
(Public Hearing & meeting Mon., Jan. 31, 1994, 6:00 p.m. Legislative Chamber)

1. REPORT ON PUBLIC HEARING HELD JANUARY 31, 1994 FOR STAMFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM YEAR TWENTY (20) PLAN AND APPLICATIONS. Estimated funding to be received is \$1,300,000. Submitted by Timothy R. Beeble, Director, SCDP, 12/30/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Marggie Laurie, Chairwoman

REP. LAURIE said that the Committee met on January 27, 1994 at 6:30 p.m. Present were Marggie Laurie, Robert McLaughlin, Audrey Maihock and Patrick White; excused were Lucy Corelli and Jeffrey Curtis; also present were Jeannette Phillips and Ted Collins. Rep. Laurie said that the Committee met again on February 1. Present were Marggie Laurie, Audrey Maihock, Robert McLaughlin, Patrick White and Lucy Corelli; also present were Patricia McCord and Terri Andrews from the Council of Churches and Synagogues.

1. APPROVAL OF PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF FARES FOR STAMFORD DIAL-A-RIDE. Plan is for proposed fare charges and other related procedures. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 1/7/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Nicholas Pavia & John Boccuzzi, Co-Chairmen

No report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Nicholas Pavia, Chairman

1. INFORMATIONAL MEETING ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Requested by William Belcher, Chairman, Economic Development Committee, 12/13/93. Report made and Held in Committee 1/3/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - Gregory LaDestro & Maria Nakian, Co-Chairpersons

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - John J. Boccuzzi & Ralph Loglisci, Co-Chairmen

No report.

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

No report.

RE-EVALUATION COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Jr., Chairman

REP. HOGAN said that the Committee will be meeting tomorrow, Wednesday, February 2, 1994 at 7:00 p.m.

1. MATTER OF NEW ASSESSMENT BEING PHASED IN OVER TWO OR THREE YEARS. Submitted by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11, 11/24/93. Held in Steering 12/13 & 12/15/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. MATTER OF HAVING RE-EVALUATION CONDUCTED OVER TWO OR THREE YEARS. Submitted by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11, 11/24/93. Held in Steering 12/13 & 12/15/93.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

RESOLUTIONS

REP. McDONALD Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up a resolution not on the Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote with five no votes, Reps. Leydon, Zelinsky, LaDestro, Vitti and White.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE DEPARTMENT. Submitted by Rep. Andrew McDonald, D-4, 2/1/94.

REP. McDONALD said that over the last few months, there has been a great deal of concern to the citizens in the city and the business community that deserves the attention of the Board. He said that the resolution addresses some of the frustrations and concerns of the citizens in respect to the leadership of the Police Department; in particular, the pending selection of a police chief and what is becoming a trend in sporadic illnesses due to the "blue days" of winter.

Rep. McDonald said the resolution is to call upon the Mayor to expedite and streamline the selection process of a police chief and to devote all the time and resources necessary to get a name before the Board before the March, 1994 Board meeting so that leadership can be provided to the Police Department which is so needed.

Rep. McDonald said that the resolution is seeking to call upon the Mayor and the Police Commission to initiate an investigation into any potential job actions that are taking place in the Police Department. He said that the citizens of the city deserve some type of decisive action from the Mayor's office.

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

REP. McDONALD Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

REP. ZELINSKY said that he concurred with most of the contents of the resolution. He said that the Board and the citizens of Stamford have waited patiently and have been surprised and puzzled at the length and process that the Mayor has taken to select a new chief of police. Rep. Zelinsky said that based on some news reports, the Blue Ribbon Panel will be giving names to the Mayor and the Mayor will, hopefully, be submitting the name to the Board for the next meeting.

Rep. Zelinsky said that in regards to the large number of officers who called in sick over the weekend causing police brass, other police officers at overtime costs and state police officers who were patrolling the city, definitely deserves more than a Sense-of-the-Board Resolution but should be on the next Agenda. Rep. Zelinsky said that he will request as to what happened, the cost, and to insure that it never happens again.

Rep. Zelinsky said that the mass sick-out may have involved some action taken by the Mayor and this is why the legislative body should impartially investigate the matter; this is owed the residents of Stamford.

REP. LOGLISCI said that he is Co-Chair of the Public Safety Committee of the Board and he will call for a public hearing so that public official can listen to the public about their concerns about public safety. He said that many representatives have had the largest number of calls and that constituents should be heard as they feel that the officials and the police department is not concerned about their feelings or safety. Rep. Loglisci stated that a public hearing would be the correct course of action by the Board.

REP. SHERER said that he was heartened by the recommendation and comments made by Rep. Loglisci with regard to the plan for a public hearing. He said that a public hearing will have a greater impact to the police officers and to the public rather than a resolution from the Board to a few people. Rep. Sherer said that what was done by the police was somewhat devastating.

Rep. Sherer said that he had a problem with the last paragraph of the resolution as the resolution seems like a bit of a "catch all" with some of the problems concerning the police department. Rep. Sherer said that he recalls on the last Board that when an attempt was made by the Labor Negotiator to have the Board approve a resolution to support the negotiating process, the Board was counseled by the Corporation Counsel's office that any type of resolution in that regard could jeopardize or be detrimental to the process of arbitration. Rep. Sherer cautioned the Board that the inclusion of the last paragraph could be detrimental. He suggested that the resolution not be approved at this time.

REP. VITTI said that he was against the resolution. He said that there is a Chief of Police and a Mayor and they must be supported as they are here to do a job. Rep. Vitti said that he has confidence in the Chief of Police; there was a problem and he is sure the Chief will deal with it and a chance must be given to him to do his job. Rep. Vitti said that with the public hearing, we will find out what happened. He urged his fellow representatives to vote against the resolution.



RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

REP. LaDESTRO said that he did not think that anyone was happy with what happened. He said that the Board is a legislative board and not a policy making board. He said that the resolution tries to get the Mayor to act on a certain policy. Rep. LaDestro said that the resolution cuts across the lines of the Board's responsibilities to the citizens of the city. He urged the Board to keep separate the powers of the government and to be the legislative body.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that he was in favor of the resolution. He asked if Rep. McDonald would accept an amendment to delete the last paragraph which mentions pending negotiations? Rep. Boccuzzi said that the resolution states that the Board agrees that the process for police chief should be completed.

Rep. Boccuzzi said that if the results were seen that were caused by the "blue flu," it would be noted that it was a complete disregard for the citizens of Stamford, and it is the job of the legislative body to see that the citizens of Stamford are protected and are not short of police protection. Rep. Boccuzzi said that due to the "blue flu," the school system had to close. He said that many of the crossing guards are senior citizens and could not get out due to the inclement weather; when this happens, the police take over the crossing guard situation. He said that the police were not available and the Chief of Police had to notify the Superintendent of Schools that there is a safety hazard. Rep. Boccuzzi said that no one could tell him that the "blue flu" was not an organized matter.

Rep. Boccuzzi asked Rep. McDonald if he agreed that the last paragraph which deals with negotiations be deleted from the resolution?.

REP. McDONALD said that in light of the comments made by the Majority Leader and Rep. Sherer, he agreed that the last paragraph be deleted.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that the feeling of the Democratic Caucus was that the matter of the "blue flu" would be put on the next agenda and a public hearing be held.

Rep. Boccuzzi Moved to amend the resolution deleting the last paragraph.  
Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote on the amendment. APPROVED by voice vote with two no votes, Reps. LaDestro and Vittl.

REP. ZELINSKY said that it is now superflous to include the now last paragraph if the legislative body is going to put the matter on the agenda and the Board is going to investigate. He asked why would we call on the Mayor and the Police Commission to investigate? Rep. Zelinsky Moved that the last paragraph dealing with the investigation be deleted. Seconded.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that it seems that an attempt is being made to delete the resolution paragraph by paragraph until there is no resolution. Rep. Boccuzzi asked the Board not to delete the now last paragraph; the paragraph that could have caused a problem has been deleted.

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

REP. MARTIN said that there is a hostile situation running between the Chief Administrative Officer and the union and he was not blaming one side or the other. He said that this was not in the best interest of the community and wanted the crime wave to stop. Rep. Martin stated that he wanted a new police chief as the present one wants to retire. He said that the "blue flu" should be investigated so that we can find out what is going on.

REP. McDONALD said that the purpose of the paragraph was specific; it is to give the Executive Officer of the City an opportunity to pursue and investigate as only an executive officer can do through his position, his executive office and corporation counsel or police commission. Rep. McDonald said that the paragraph should not prevent the Board from conducting a public hearing.

REP. LOGLISCI said perhaps, the Board should call the investigation to fulfill its duty to the public and call in those people who are part of the solution. He said that in that way, the public will know what the answers are.

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote to delete the now last paragraph. DEFEATED by 18 no, 16 yes votes with one abstention. Reps. Owens, Mitchell and DePina left the Floor and did not participate in the vote.

REP. LaDESTRO said that the drafter of the resolution, Rep. McDonald, tried to explain the intent behind the resolution referring to the Mayor being given the opportunity; it is not within the Board's authority to tell the executive branch what to do. Rep. LaDestro said that resolutions of this sort are dangerous; we should not try to give the Mayor any less or more authority.

REP. SHERER Moved the question. Seconded.

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote to approve the amended Sense-of-the-Board Resolution Concerning Public Safety/Police Department. DEFEATED by 21 no, 13 yes votes and one abstention.

MINUTES

1. DECEMBER 1, 1993 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING 23RD BOARD - Approved.
2. DECEMBER 2, 1993 ADJOURNED MINUTES OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING - Approved.
3. DECEMBER 13, 1993 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.
4. JANUARY 3, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS - None.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - Committee changes:

Steven Montello replaces William Belcher on the Transportation Committee.

Steven Montello replaces Audrey Maihock on the Environmental Protection Committee.

Nicholas Pavia Chairs the Economic Development Committee replacing William Belcher.

A Charter Revision Committee will be set up and anyone interested should contact President Rinaldi.


Get well wishes and a speedy recovery extended to Judy Martin, wife of Rep. David Martin.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded and Approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 p.m.



Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant  
and Recording Secretary  
23rd Board of Representatives

APPROVED:

  
Mary Lou T. Rinaldi, President  
23rd Board of Representatives

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Enclosures

## STAMVOTE - ATTENDANCE

02-01-1994

NO	NAME
1	PRS MC LAUGHLIN, ROBERT
2	PRS NAKIAN, MARIA
3	PRS PIA, THOMAS
4	PRS OWENS, BOBBY
5	PRS LOGLISCI, RALPH
6	PRS CORELLI, LUCY
7	PRS LADESTRO, GREGORY
8	PRS RYBNICK, GERALD
9	N/P CURTIS, JEFFREY
10	PRS SABIA, RONALD
11	PRS MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	PRS JOHNSON, FRED
13	PRS DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	PRS WILK, DAVID
15	PRS STORK, PHILIP
16	N/P BELCHER, WILLIAM
17	PRS CONTI, ELIZABETH
18	PRS MELLIS, ELLEN
19	PRS WHITE, PATRICK
20	PRS SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

NOT PRESENT 3

NO	NAME
21	PRS DE PINA, GLORIA
22	PRS DOMONKOS, CARMEN
23	PRS HOUSEY, ANGELA
24	PRS LAURIE, MARGGIE
25	PRS PERILLO, MILDRED
26	PRS PAVIA, NICHOLAS
27	PRS MITCHELL, ELAINE
28	PRS SHERER, DONALD
29	PRS MC DONALD, ANDREW
30	PRS HOGAN, JOHN J.
31	PRS ZELINSKY, JOHN
32	PRS MARTINSEN, KIT
33	N/P LAROBINA, MICHAEL
34	PRS VITTI, JOSEPH
35	PRS LEYDON, JOHN F.
36	PRS FORTUNATO, ALICE
37	PRS SCALZI, DAVID
38	PRS MARTIN, DAVID
39	PRS BOCCUZZI, JOHN
40	PRS RINALDI, MARY LOU

PRESENT 37

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NOTE: FOR THE RECORD, SOME VOTES WERE NOT PRINTED OUT BECAUSE OF AN INADVERTENT ERROR

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## STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

02-01-1994

TEST VOTE YES

NO	NAME
1	YES MC LAUGHLIN, ROBERT
2	YES NAKIAN, MARIA
3	YES PIA, THOMAS
4	YES OWENS, BOBBY
5	YES LOGLISCI, RALPH
6	YES CORELLI, LUCY
7	YES LADESTRO, GREGORY
8	YES RYBNICK, GERALD
9	N/P CURTIS, JEFFREY
10	YES SABIA, RONALD
11	YES MAIHOCK, AUDREY
12	YES JOHNSON, FRED
13	YES DE LUCA, ROBERT
14	YES WILK, DAVID
15	YES STORK, PHILIP
16	N/P BELCHER, WILLIAM
17	YES CONTI, ELIZABETH
18	YES MELLIS, ELLEN
19	YES WHITE, PATRICK
20	YES SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE

N/P 3 N/V 0

NO	NAME
21	YES DE PINA, GLORIA
22	YES DOMONKOS, CARMEN
23	YES HOUSEY, ANGELA
24	YES LAURIE, MARGGIE
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