#### MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1994

### 23RD BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

### STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

The regular meeting of the 23rd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, April 4, 1994, in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:45 p.m. by President Mary Lou Rinaldi after both parties met in Caucus.

<u>INVOCATION</u> was given by Ted Collins, Minister, Bethel AME Church of Greenwich, 2 Leon Place, Stamford, CT 06902

"Let us pray. God of Abraham, Issac and Jacob, I pray that all members of the 23rd Board of Representatives will work in perfect harmony and be in full agreement on issues that pertain to the welfare of Stamford. I pray there is no dissention, factions or divisions on this Board, but that all members be perfectly united in common issues, opinions and judgments. Grant the Board, Lord, wisdom, knowledge and clear understanding of all legislative documents brought before them and let them only desire to make the City of Stamford their first priority. Bless each and every member representative here in our Lord's name. Amen."

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

<u>ROLL CALL</u> was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 37 members present and three absent. Absent and excused were Reps. John Hogan, Gerald Rybnick and Ronald Sabia.

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 CHRISTINE ELLEN SMITH requested by Rep. Jeffrey T. Curtis Sr., 9th District. "Miss Smith was a resident of the City of Stamford for 50 years. Most recently, I met Miss Smith. She was indeed a remarkable person. She will be missed by those who knew her well, as well as those who had just met her."

For the late PATRICK L. LOPIANO requested by Rep. Jeffrey T. Curtis Sr., 9th District. "Mr. Lopiano was a resident of Stamford for 81 years. He was also a member of Sacred Heart Church and of its Holy Name Society. I extend my heartfelt condolences to his wife, Lorenza Poccia Lopiano; his son, Angelo Lopiano; his daughters, Ann Ferris and Modeste Duda; his brother, Philip; his sister, Giovanna Centonze; and his entire family."

## MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late GLORIA JEAN SANTORO McGRAW requested by Rep. Jeffrey T. Curtis Sr., 9th District. "Gloria and her family were my next door neighbors many years ago. I remember her very well, It was not too long ago that I learned that Gloria was engaged to a friend and business associate of mine. I had never truly realized exactly how small a world we really live in until that point in time. I was deeply saddened at word of her illness, and asked her fiance about her whenever I saw him. Gloria was indeed a strong and determined person. My deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences are extended to her daughter, her parents, her brothers and sisters and to her fiance."

For the late RUTH S. KARP requested by Rep. Ralph Loglisci, 14th District.

"Ruth S. Karp was a lifelong resident of Stamford. Mrs. Karp was the retired co-owner of Karp's Stationery. Mrs. Karp is survived by three sons, Donald P. Karp, Michael H. Karp and Dr. Robert M. Karp; a daughter, Doris R. Karp; and five grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Henry Karp. Sincerest sympathy is extended to her family."

For the late LEON A. TERENZIO requested by Rep. Ralph Loglisci, 14th District and Rep. John F. Leydon, Jr., 12th District. Sincerest sympathy to the Terenzio family."

For the late FRANK A. POTOLICCHIO requested by Rep. Mary Lou Rinaldi, 5th District, Gregory LaDestro, 17th District and Rep. Ralph Loglisci, 14th District. "Mr. Potolicchio is survived by his wife, Corrine D. Trancone Potolicchio; two sons, Guy A. Potolicchio of the Stamford Police Department and Frank N. Potoliccho; a sister, Marie Ayles,; a brother Paul Potolicchio, retired from the Stamford Police Department and six grandchildren. Our condolences to the Potolicchio family."

For the late PAUL F. ROTANTE requested by Rep. Ronald A. Sabia, 15th District and Rep. Nicholas Pavia, 10th District. "Mr. Rotante was a lifelong resident of Stamford. He was a plumbing foreman for the Stamford Board of Education. He is survived by his wife, Irene Russo Rotante; a daughter, Judy Cahill; a son, Richard Rotante Sr; a sister, Sister Mary Rotante M.P.F.; and four grandchildren, a niece and a nephew. We extend our sincerest sympathy to the Rotante family.

For the late ELIZABETH MARY CONNELL requested by Rep. Marggie Laurie, 8th District and Rep. Joseph Vitti, 8th District. "Mrs. Connell was the wife of the late Edward A. Connell, a former parks superintendent for the City of Stamford. Mrs. Connell is survived by a daughter, Maureen Connell Quick; two sons, Gerald A. Connell and Edward Brian Connell; and eight granschildren. Our sincerest sympathy to the Connell family."

For the late JOHN F. "JOCK" PRYOR requested by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., 11th District. "Mr. Pryor was a former Stamford teacher and friend. He attended LaSalle Academy in New York and spent four years in the U. S. Navy during World War II. He graduated from Colorado State University and then had a career as a sales representative for the former Yale and Town Manufacturing Co. in Stamford. Mr. Pryor started teaching in the late 1950's and retired in 1986. He was also the past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, St. Augustine Council 41 from 1982 to 1984. He was also a member of the Elks Lodge 899. Survivors include his wife, Mary Ryan Pryor; a son, John C. Pryor of Stamford; four daughters, Teri Pryor, Virginia Fisher, Amy Cunningham and Kathryn Pryor; a sister, Mary Pryor and three grandchildren. My deepest sympathy to his wife and family. He will be sorely missed."

### STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi.

REPORT. Waived.

<u>REP. BOCCUZZI</u> 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, March 16, 1994 at 7:30 p.m. in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi at 7:41 p.m. A quorum was present.

### Present at the meeting:

Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman Ralph Loglisci Maria Nakian John Boccuzzi Thomas Pia Bobby Owens Annie Summerville John R. Zelinsky, Jr. David Martin
Ellen Mellis
Robert McLaughlin
Nicholas Pavia
Audrey Maihock
Philip Stork
Gregory LaDestro
Carmen Domonkos

Marggie Laurie Robert DeLuca John J. Hogan Michael Larobina Elaine Mitchell Donald Sherer Seth Amgott, Advocate Anne Kachaluba

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 12 of the 14 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Held was Jackie Heftman, Zoning Board. Ordered off the Agenda was the name of Harry Orlick for the Planning Board, the Mayor requested that the name be removed.

<u>FISCAL COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda were five of the 15 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; items Held were contingent upon Board of Finance approval.

<u>LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda were four of the eight items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Two items were Held; one item was taken up at the March 7th Board meeting and one item pertaining to public gatherings was voted off the Agenda.

<u>PERSONNEL COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

<u>PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE</u> - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

<u>PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda were three of the four items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

<u>EDUCATION</u>, <u>WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item approved under Suspension of Rules.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

URBAN RENEWAL 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 and one item on the Addenda. Ordered off the Agenda was the matter of tenant representation on the Housing Authority.

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE</u> - 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 Held 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.

<u>PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Pending Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

<u>REVALUATION COMMITTEE</u> - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

<u>CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE</u> - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

<u>RESOLUTIONS</u> - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda was one item on the Addenda.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> - Rep. Summerville reminded representatives that a Coppola fund raiser will be held at Rich Forum and any donations would be appreciated.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> - Rep. Larobina reported that he was the Board's representative on a Committee appointed to select a collection agency hired by the City to collect all debts owed to the city.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> - Rep. Summerville said that Rep. Rybnick will be 95 years old in May and perhaps some sort of reception could be held for him. Reps. Zelinsky and Stork volunteered to be a part of any committee if formed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> - There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon a motion made, Seconded and Approved, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Mary Lou T. Rinaldi, Chairwoman Steering Committee

## APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that the Committee met on Tuesday, March 22, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. in the Democratic Caucus Room. Committee members present were Annie Summerville, John Boccuzzi, Tom Pia, Philip Stork, Gloria DePina, Ellen Mellis, Alice Fortunato and David Wilk; other Board members present were Mary Lou Rinaldi, Ronald Sabia and John Zelinsky, Jr. Also in attendance was Mr. Joseph Jaffe of Decision Strategies who discussed the background report on G. Patrick Tully.

Rep. Summerville said that the Committee met again at 8:00 p.m. on the same evening as "Committee of the Whole." Present were Reps. McLaughlin, Pia, Owens, Loglisci, Corelli, Curtis, Sabia, Maihock, Johnson, DeLuca, Wilk, Stork, Conti, Mellis, Summerville, DePina, Domonkos, Housey, Laurie, Perillo, Pavia, Mitchell, Sherer, McDonald, Zelinsky, Martinsen, Leydon, Fortunato, Martin, Boccuzzi and Rinaldi.

Rep. Summerville stated that members of the Committee of the Whole questioned Mr. Tully until 10:30 p.m. at which time the meeting was adjourned.

Rep. Summerville said that the Committee met again on March 23 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Summerville, Boccuzzi, Stork, Mellis and Fortunato. Rep. Summerville placed items 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10 on the Consent Agenda; these names were interviewed on March 23.

Rep. Summerville said that the Committee met again on March 29 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Summerville, Boccuzzi, Pia, Mellis, Fortunato and Stork; Board members Housey and Owens. Interviewed that evening and placed on the Consent Agenda was item 7, Richard Vacca for the Golf Authority. She said that at 8:00 p.m., G. Patrick Tully was interviewed.

Rep. Summerville said that the Committee met again this evening at 6:30 p.m. to interview Mr. Connolly for the Enterprise Zone. Present were Committee members Summerville, Boccuzzi, Mellis, Fortunato, Wilk, Stork and Larobina. The Committee voted to place item 4, Mr. Connolly, on the Consent Agenda.

Rep. Summerville Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

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

ZONING BOARD TERM EXPIRES

1. MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI (R) 156 Highview Avenue Replacing A. Moore who resigned.

12/1/95

5.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PLANNING BOARD

2. MR. THOMAS MASONE (D) 62 Dora Street

Replacing J. Serafino whose term expired.

12/1/95

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

6. MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING - MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1994 APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION BOARD TERM EXPIRES MR. WILLIAM MORRIS (D) Reappointment. 12/1/96 55 Big Oak Lane (Held in Steering 1/12/94) (Held in Committee 3/7/94) APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA ENTERPRISE ZONE BOARD 5-year term 4. MR. KEVIN CONNOLLY Director of Manufacturing Operations Pitney Bowes Corporation Walter Wheeler Jr. Drive Location Code 0929 (Held in Committee 3/7/94) APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA ENTERPRISE ZONE BOARD MS. MARGARET RAYE 5-year term 133 Pressprich Street, Apt. 8-E (Held in Committee 3/7/94) APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA GOLF AUTHORITY 6. MR. WILLIAM CAPORIZZO (R) Reappointment. 1/1/97 34 Amherst Place APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA GOLF AUTHORITY 7. MR. RICHARD A. VACCA (R) Replacing F. Valluzzo who 1/1/95 53 Clifford Avenue resigned. APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA HEALTH COMMISSION 8. MR. JOHN HARNESS (R) Replacing S. Block whose 12/1/95

term expired.

39 Dagmar Road

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

## APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

## PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

TERM EXPIRES

9. MR. EDWIN R. SPRINGER (R) 59 Shadow Ridge Road Replacing Richard Ryan whose term expired.

12/1/95

## APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

### HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

10. MR. VINCENT MARTINO (D)
25 Charles Mary Lane

Replacing W. Brannen whose term expired.

12/1/96

## APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

### HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

11. MR. PETER NANOS (D)
12 Houston Terrace

Replacing Doris Levine whose term expired.

12/1/95

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. SUMMERVILLE said the Committee met on March 29 to interview G. Patrick Tully, Police Chief designee. She said that Committee members Summerville, Boccuzzi, Pia, Mellis, Fortunato and Stork interviewed Mr. Tully. They voted to place the name on the Consent Agenda.

### CHIEF OF POLICE

12. MR. G. PATRICK TULLY
54 Woodland Drive
Centerbrook, CT 06409

Replacing George Mayer who is retiring.

5-year contract

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that she would like to comment on some of Mr. Tully's background. She said that Mr. Tully was a perfect gentleman and he had no problems concerning his interview by the Committee.

Rep. Summerville spoke on Mr. Tully's background: Mr. Tully was born in Philadelphia on April 4, 1940. Mr. Tully and his wife, Joan, currently reside at 54 Woodland Drive, Centerbrook, Connecticut. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in law enformcement administration from the University of New Haven at West Haven, Connecticut, in June of 1972. Mr. Tully received a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from the University of New Haven in June of 1976. He was a part-time instructor with the criminal justice division of the University of New Haven at West Haven, Connecticut, Mitchell College Campus from January, 1976 to January 1979.

From 1988 to 1990, Mr. Tully, as Captain, served as Commandant at the State Police Academy in Meriden, Connecticut. On July 6, 1990, he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. From 1990 to March 1, 1992, Mr. Tully served as Commanding Officer of the Office of Field Operations is Hartford, Connecticut. He was responsible for all patrol and investigative resources in the Connecticut State Police. He also served as a member of the Commissioner's Executive Management Team.

## APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. SUMMERVILLE spoke more about Mr. Tully's background: He was employed by the Electric Boat Division of General Dynamics, Groton, Connecticut, from November 5, 1962, to July 31, 1964, as a test mechanic and health physics monitor.

He joined the Connecticut State Police on August 3, 1964, and successfully progressed through the department as a Detective on April 28, 1972; Sergeant on May 12, 1972; and Lieutenant on May 1, 1973.

In 1976, he was selected by the Commissioner of State Police to serve as the temporary Chief of Police in Stonington, Connecticut, during the Town's search for a permanent chief.

On May 18, 1979, Mr. Tully was promoted to the rank of Captain.

From 1983 to 1985, Mr. Tully was Deputy Commander for the Central District of Connecticut, based in Meriden, Connecticut. In addition to assisting the District Commander with all administrative and operations functions, Mr. Tully supervised the Traffic Enforcement Unit.

From 1985 to 1988, Mr. Tully served as Commanding Officer of the Division of Labor Relations/Internal Affairs, in Hartford, Connecticut. His duties included reviewing and drafting agency policy and procedure, mediating labor/management disputs, etc.

Rep. Summerville said that Mr. Tully also co-authored three articles: 1. "Morale Is An Attitude" published in the Connecticut Police Chief, Autumn 1981, 2. "Policing By Objectives and the Connecticut State Police Patrol" published in The Police Chief, December 1977 and 3. "Occupational Stress and Compensation in Law Enforcement" published in the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin, July 1980. Rep. Summerville said that all members received his resume which also gave Mr. Tully's key accomplishments.

Rep. Summerville recommended that the Board approve G. Patrick Tully for Chief of Police. She said that he will do well for the city and she could not say enough about Mr. Tully; he was willing to give any information asked by the Committee, was a perfect gentleman in answering questions that all members of the Committee did not agree upon and he gave truthful answers to some unpopular questions and was respected for that.

Rep. Summerville Moved for approval of G. Patrick Tully for Chief of Police of the City of Stamford for the next five years. Seconded.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that he asked that the name be taken off the Consent Agenda because he felt that the position of Chief of Police was special and that a separate vote be taken. He said that when Mr. Tully was addressed as "Chief," Mr. Tully said that he was not the "chief." Rep. Boccuzzi said that after this evening's vote, the Board will be able to say, "Chief G. Patrick Tully."

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that someone motioned for a Roll Call Vote. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve a Roll Call Vote. APPROVED by voice vote.

### APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

<u>CLERK SUMMERVILLE</u> called the Roll. There were 37 members present and three absent.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> said the vote was unanimous, 37 yes votes, to approve G. Patrick Tully for Police Chief of the City of Stamford. Congratulations were extended to Chief Tully.

CHIEF TULLY thanked the Board. He said that he was proud and honored to be the next Police Chief for the City of Stamford. He did not have any prepared remarks but looking in the rear view mirror before the process began, he was apprehensive because he had answers but did not know what questions were going to be asked. He said he thought the process was the right process; it was not easy, but right for any community to get a look at a person whether for police chief or for any other position. Chief Tully again thanked all for the honor and privilege and said that he will work diligently, with commitment and enthusiasm to do the very best job that he knows is expected of him.

REP. BOCCUZZI thanked Rep. Summerville for the terrific job she did. He said that there were many meetings and many appointments came before the Board. He said a lot of works was done and congratulated Rep. Summerville on a job well done.

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that she could not have accomplished all without her Committee. She said the Committee has a very strong sense of commitment and she thanked the Committee for all their hard work, for attending all the meetings and for asking all the right questions.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Summerville and the Committee for all their hard work.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee met on Wednesday, March 23, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Sabia, Domonkos, Hogan, Loglisci, Mitchell, Nakian, Sherer; also, Rep. Owens; excused were Rybnick, Pavia and DePina.

Rep. Domonkos placed item 1 on the Consent Agenda. The Public Works and Sewer Committee concurred. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Rep. Fortunato.

1. \$350.000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - DEPARTMENT 314 SNOW REMOVAL - VARIOUS CODE - additional appropriation for salt and sand and contracted services.

314-2181 salt & sand \$150,000

314-5530 contracted services 200,000

\$350,000

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/28/94. Emergency appropriation approved by William McManus, Chairman, Board of Finance, 2/22/94.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

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

# FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that to date, \$1,599,915 has been appropriated for snow removal.

2. \$ 2,526.00 - MAA CONTRACT APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT 999 - VARIOUS - additional appropriation to fund contract settlement. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/30/93. Board of Finance approved 1/13/94. \$524,849 approved 2/1/94. \$2,526 Held in Committee 2/1/94; \$1,884 Code 553 Cost Sharing Grant salaries and \$642 Code 577 AIDS Risk Reduction Grant salaries. Returned to Committee 3/7/94.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

3. STATUS OF CONTINGENCY FUND AND PROJECTED EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE END OF 1993-94 BUDGET YEAR. Requested by Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 1/10/94. Reports made and Held in Committee 2/1 and 3/7/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. DOMONKOS said that we are in deficit. She said that at the end of last month, we were \$81,816 in deficit and with the \$350,000 appropriated for snow removal, totals \$431,816 in deficit. Rep. Domonkos said that at the meeting, Frank Harrison was asked where the administration had anticipated this money was going to come from? It was indicated that there was a \$1 million in debt service that was not going to be expended that is intended to be used for contingency and possibly, \$700,000 projected for health insurance payments which may be an area where they will be able to use some under-run money. Rep. Domonkos said the Committee was not happy to approve the appropriation but it was for snow removal and it was an emergency.

<u>REP. DeLUCA</u> questioned the \$700,000 projected for health insurance payments and why no one from the Finance Department could answer whether this money would be needed.

<u>REP. DOMONKOS</u> said that the city is self-insured on health insurance and for the past years, this account has been over-projected on what was going to be spent for health benefits. She said that account will have to be looked at closely this year to see what has been expended and whether it should be funded at such a high level.

<u>REP. DeLUCA</u> said that by over-projecting, the mill rate is impacted and the taxpayers are ripped off. Rep. DeLuca asked if the deficit spending would have any affect on the city's triple A rating?

REP. DOMONKOS said that it was indicated that it was a minute part of a \$270 million budget to be \$300,000 or \$400,000 overspent and that there will be enough left at the end of the year that there will be a wash. She said that the accounts where money is being found will be looked at closely at budget time.

REP. DeLUCA said that the budget should be looked at closely for accounts that are inflated and cuts should be made.

### FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

<u>REP. DOMONKOS</u> said that last year, the Board of Finance cut the health insurance line and then put money into the contingency fund to cover if there was not enough money.

4. DECEMBER 31, 1993 QUARTERLY CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS REPORT. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 3/4/94. Mayor made no close out recommendations. Contingent upon Planning Board and Board of Finance approval.

REP. DOMONKOS said that a copy of the report was sent to all. She said that there were no projected closeouts for the last quarter; the Committee reviewed the report and there were a lot of capital projects that have not been started.

 STATUS OF CAPITAL PROJECT SPENDING. ALSO, UPDATE ON BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES. Requested by Carmen Domnonkos, D-18, 3/8/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that about \$18 million is being approved a year for capital projects and only \$8 million is being spent; the projects are not getting started for various reasons. She said that \$10 million has been held up for over a year or two for the Newfield/Roxbury School project; the project is just getting started. Also, held is the \$4.1 million South End sewer project due to a dispute with the utility companies as to how the lines will be moved and who is going to move them and how much will be paid to do the work.

REP. DOMONKOS said that a large capital projects budget is being approved but not being spent so the tax rate is set for the projects. She said that to date, \$67.5 million is authorized in capital projects; \$30 million worth of BANS have been issued. These are the short-term notes. Rep. Domonkos said that the Turn of River sewer project, a \$4 million project is getting underway and the Newfield/Roxbury School projects have started.

Rep. Domonkos said that the last bond issue was in 1992 for \$21 million. She said that about \$20 million has been approved that has not been bonded or projects started. She said that the Committee will be following up on the matter. Rep. Domonkos said that the interest rates are low now and the last two BANS had interest rates of 3.06. She said that some departments want to get the projects going but are short of staff, architects are not coming in with plans, projects are just not coming in on a timely basis.

### LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee met on Monday, March 28, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Nakian, Domonkos, Leydon, Maihock, McDonald, Martin, Mitchell, Sherer and Zelinsky; for item 3, present were Sandra Goldstein, Executive Director of DSSD; Dr. Curtiss Porter of the Urban League; approximately 12 people representing the Downtown merchants and the DSSD; and two street vendors, Michael Moss and Leon Richardson, Jr. who will take part in the proposed program. On item 4, present was Marge Brown, Controller; Mark Kirkland, Account Clerk; and Lois PontBriant, Town & City Clerk.

### LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

 (L&R23.12) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE POSITION OF CLERK/STAFF ANALYST BOARD OF FINANCE AS UNCLASSIFIED. Submitted by William McManus, Chairman, Board of Finance, 1/24/94. Approved for publication 3/7/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee, including Rep. Maihock, voted 8 in favor with no one opposed. Moved. Seconded.

REP. MAIHOCK said that she was opposed to the item and did vote no and would be voting no this evening. She said that the same applies for item 2.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 1. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Rep. Maihock and one abstention, Rep. Zelinsky.

 (L&R23.13) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE POSITION OF CLERK TYPIST BOARD OF FINANCE AS UNCLASSIFIED. Submitted by William McManus, Chairman, Board of Finance, 1/24/94. Approved for publication 3/7/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted 8 in favor with no opposition and no abstentions. Moved. Seconded.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve item 2. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Rep. Maihock and one abstention, Rep. Zelinsky.

3. (L&R23.18) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 621 SUPPLEMENTAL CONCERNING STREET VENDORS AND SOLICITORS. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian, D-20, Mary Lou Rinaldi, D-5 and John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11, 2/14/94. Approved for publication 3/7/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee approved the ordinance but a number of amendments were made. She said the amendments were extensive but not material.

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that a running motion can be used for the amendments.

<u>REP. NAKIAN</u> read the following changes: Section 179A-2, change would read, "such vendor shall <u>only</u> utilize signs, trashcans, and identification tags <u>as provided or approved</u> by the DSSD."

Section 179A-3. "without first obtaining a license from the City and a permit from the DSSD." "The procedure for obtaining a license from the City and a permit from the DSSD....." a. "an application for a permit..." b. "an application for a permit..." (5) "an owner of property within the DSSD who is not a merchant in the DSSD." is clarification. "In judging an application for a permit, the street vendor..." is clarification. "The Street Vendor Committee" is clarification. "A majority vote by the entire Street Vendor Committee" adding those words for clarification. Section c. "the applicant for a permit..." Section d. Instead of saying "escrow account" for clarification "interest bearing escrow account maintained for the benefit of the applicant,..." "determined by the DSSD pursuant to subsection (e) below" for clarification.

### LEGISLATIVE & RULES\_COMMITTEE: (continued)

<u>REP. NAKIN</u> (continuing with changes) Section e. "a monthly rental fee to the DSSD" is the addition. "Said rental fee" is an addition. Again, "Said rental fee" is an addition. After "permit renewal." add, "All fees and security deposits, and any annual change to the fees or security deposits, shall be reviewed and approved by the Board of Representatives."

REP. LAROBINA Moved to delete the last amendment made by Rep. Nakian. "All fees and security deposits, and any annual change to the fees or security deposits, shall be reviewed and approved by the Board of Representatives." Seconded.

Rep. Larobina said that the DSSD is an autonomous, independent body created by the Board and in doing that, the DSSD was empowered with certain abilities not only by the Board but also through state statues. He said that it would be peculiar that the Board would want to manage the increase in fees when the Board has the authority to issue bonds, collect taxes, buy property, sell property, to borrow money, to sue and be sued and then it comes to raising fees that the Board would want to become involved. Rep. Larobina said that we created the body and now would be micro-managing it. He said that DSSD should be supported and given a chance to succeed.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote on Rep. Larobina's motion to delete a sentence. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

REP. NAKIAN continued with the amendments. Section 179A-4. "In establishing such locations, the DSSD shall consider and be guided by the public health and safety." Originally, the line said that the total number of such locations shall not exceed five. Rep. Nakian said that it is case law in Connecticut that itinerant vending sites can only be restricted for safety reasons and the Committee was advised by the Law Department to make the change.

Section 179-A5. "Any license issued by the City" is a change. "
Any permit issued under this section shall be valid for a period of one (1)
year..." is a clarification. These changes do not change what was in the
original ordinance. Further in the paragraph, amended to read, "illegal,
pornographic, profane or obscene goods" deleted was "unauthorized or offensive
goods including but not limited to..." An addition made is "within ten days of
the date such a fee is due." the license can be revoked. A time limit was
added. On the last line of the paragraph, "a DSSD permit."

Section 179-A6. "Any applicant or vendor" is the change. "Vendor Committee of the DSSD seven days after receipt..." Changed on the Vendor Appeal Board was that the third member is appointed by the other two members and must be a resident of the city.

Section 179-A7. Clarification on "license" changed to "permit."

Section 179A-8. Clarification on "pushcarts returned by the vendor"; "Any failure to pay the fee within ten days"; identification tags from the vendor except that such vendor may exercise his right of appeal..."

# LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE; (continued)

REP. NAKIAN said that all those changes were approved by the Committee by eight in favor and none opposed. She Moved for approval. Seconded.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve the changes as specified by Rep. Nakian. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

REP. MARTIN Moved to amend to insert a new section before "This ordinance shall take effect upon its enactment." The new section shall read, "The Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford may amend this ordinance as prescribed by the Charter of the City of Stamford." The motion was Seconded. Rep. Martin said that it was wise power to put that line in an ordinance when dealing with an independent body such as the DSSD.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve Rep. Martin's amendment. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted eight in favor, two opposed and one abstention for final adoption. Moved. Seconded.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve for final adoption the proposed ordinance amending Ordinance No. 621 Concerning Street Vendors and Solicitors. APPROVED by voice vote with three no votes, Reps. Leydon, Pia and Maihock.

4. L&R23.21) MATTER OF VARIOUS LICENSES REQUIRED BY ORDINANCE ISSUED BY THE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE. Submitted by Marge Brown, Controller, 2/25/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP, NAKIAN said that the matter was placed on the Agenda in response to citizens complaining that they do not know where to go to get licenses. She said that the Controller and Town Clerk spoke to the Committee; the Controller issues licenses for amusements, auctions, street vending and soliciting and shellfish for bait; closing out sales require approval from the Controller, the Assessor and the Town Clerk; the Town Clerk issues permits for clams, dogs, hunting and fishing and other state licenses.

Rep. Nakian said there is another issue of licenses such as sidewalk cafes which are approved by the building department and zoning enforcement officer; police handle bazaars and raffle permits. Rep. Nakian said that there are various permits handled by different departments.

Rep. Nakian said with those issued the Controller, the problem is that the Finance Department is not set up to deal with the public. She said the account clerk assigned to the job also does the banking for the city, and he feels that it is not only disruptive to his work to have people coming in applying for licenses, but also can be potentially harmful for the city; if he is out of the office and someone comes to apply for a permit, all the city banking records are there and he has actually found people going through the city's check books.

Rep. Nakian said that permits were put into the Controller's office in 1949 and at this point, it is difficult to take this function out of that office and to have it taken over by another department.

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REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee decided to review the ordinances and see if there could be any sense-of-order to the permit process. She said that it would be easier for the public if a directory of permits was drawn and the public was informed as to what department they can go to to obtain permits and licenses; also, if a space was assigned in the Finance Department for permits and hours were published to inform the public. She said that the Committee agreed that they would talk to the Commissioner of Finance to see if this could be done for the Controller's office. Rep. Nakian said that the solution is a difficult one and the Committee is concerned about the matter and the item will be put on the Pending Agenda.

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

REP. LAROBINA (reporting for Rep. Hogan) said that the Committee met on Thursday, March 24, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mr. Teichman and Joan Rinaldi from the Personnel Commission; Sim Bernstein, Director of Personnel; Commissioner of Finance Patrick O'Connor and Peter Mynarski, Treasurer.

 INQUIRY INTO STATEMENTS, COMMENTS AND ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN COOPER & LYBRAND REPORT WHICH RELATES TO THE PERSONNEL DIRECTOR, PERSONNEL PRACTICES AND RELATED MATTERS. Requested by John J. Hogan, Jr., D-12, Chairman, Personnel Committee, 2/28/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP, LAROBINA said that an open discussion was held and further discussions will be held.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Gregory LaDestro, Chairman - No report.

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

REP. OWENS said that the Committee met on Thursday, March 24, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Reps. Jeff Curtis, Ron Sabia, Marggie Laurie, Gabe DeLuca, Kit Martinsen and Bob Owens. Others present were Rep. Tom Pia; Peter Marron of Lundell Recycling; Sam Bowa, attorney for Mr. Marron; William Milone, Enviro Express; and Jim Dougherty, Wheelabrator, Inc.

 MATTER OF THE POTENTIAL COSTS TO THE TAXPAYERS RELATED TO THE POSSIBLE CLOSING OF STAMFORD'S INCINERATOR. Submitted by Reps. Carmen Domonkos, D-18 and Maria Nakian, D-20, 12/14/93. Reports made and Held in Committee 1/3, 2/1 and 3/7/94.

## HELD IN COMMITTEE

<u>REP. OWENS</u> said that he was going to give a report this evening but just received information crucial to his report from Rep. Martinsen; the Committee will be meeting again and will report further on the matter.

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

REP. MAIHOCK said that the Committee met on March 31, 1994 at 8:00 p.m. Present were Co-Chairpersons Audrey Maihock and Ralph Loglisci; Committee members Lucy Corelli and Bob Owens; Rep. Andrew McDonald, Police Chief George Mayer, Fire Chief Ron Graner, Al Messer, the Manager of the Stamford Mall and Frank Marro, WSTC reporter; Ellen Mellis and Angela Housey were excused.

 REVIEW CITY'S POSITION ON APPLYING TO THE STATE FOR HELP UNDER THE ROCCY PROGRAM. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 1/31/94. Held in Committee 3/7/94.

## HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. MAIHOCK said that Mayor Esposito requested in a letter dated March 25, 1994, that the state had deferred discussions on in what manner Stamford will participate until our new chief of police has had an opportunity to review our needs and determine how best to take advantage of the problem, and, therefore, little could be accomplished by appearing before our Committee at this time. She said that it was the Mayor's hope that some aspect of ROCCY would be in effect in the late spring and summer months, and city personnel would be available to our Committee then.

 REVIEW OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AT STAMFORD TOWN CENTER. Request by Rep. Andrew McDonald, D-4, 12/28/93. Held on Pending Agenda 1/12/94. Held in Committee 3/7/94.

REP. MAIHOCK said that the Committee and Rep. Andrew McDonald reviewed the Police Department and Fire Department's procedures regarding bomb threats. She said that it is the Stamford Police Department's policy to respond to all reports of bomb threats and investigate suspicious packages and materials. Rep. Maihock said that the Police Department will be in overall command of the scene in the event of a bomb threat in any public or private building; the Fire Department will be requested to stand by near the scene and at no time will Fire Department personnel be used to search or evacuate a building, and firefighting activities should not commence until the scene is declared safe by the Police Department bomb squad.

Rep. Maihock said that the Police Department will respond to any notification of a bomb threat, public or private. She said that the search and evacuation policy will be set by the public or private agency in charge of the establishment. Rep. Maihock stated that the bomb technicians will however make a recommendation as to its need, and when bomb technicians arrive, control of scene would be turned over to them, and all police personnel will position themselves at least 300 feet from the area.

Rep. Maihock said that it appears that a bomb squad is a needed component of our police force. She said that police who participate in a bomb squad do not get extra compensation when on duty at a bomb scare scene. Also, she stated that Stamford presently does not have a bomb squad and policemen would have to take training to be members of a bomb squad at a facility in Alabama where they would be certified by the Federal government after training there. She said that it could take the state police four to six hours to mobilize and come to a bomb threat in Stamford.

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#### HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. MAIHOCK said that Reps. Owens and McDonald submitted their concerns to Mr. Messer. She said that the December 26, 1993 bomb scare at the Stamford Town Center was discussed, and Manager Al Messer, Police Chief Mayer and Fire Chief Graner all agreed they had learned from the experience and shared communications since that time. She said that they are prepared for any future emergencies there. Rep. Maihock said that all were relieved that the bomb scare was a false alarm, and the evacuation was completed without incident, and all automobiles were cleared out of the garage in 17 minutes.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Maihock for her very thorough report.

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

REP. PIA said that the Committee meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled to April 6, 1994.

 REVIEW CURRENT/PAST USE OF ICE TIME AT THE TERRY CONNERS RINK. Submitted by Robert DeLuca and Thomas Pia, Co-Chairmen, Parks & Recreation Committee, 2/7/94. Held in Committee 3/7/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. REVIEW SCHEDULING OF BALL FIELDS. Requested by Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairman, Parks & Recreation Committee, 3/9/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

3. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED PARKS & RECREATION FEES FOR 1994/95. Parks & Recreation Commission approved 2/16/94. Submitted by Stephen L. Elkins, Director, Parks and Recreation, 2/23/94.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

REP ZELINSKY said that the Committee met on Monday, March 21, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chair Zelinsky, Vice Chairman Leydon, Reps. Maihock, McDonald, McLaughlin, Laurie, Loglisci, Pia and Mellis. Also, Jill Beaudry from the Board of Education and Chair of the Advisory Committee.

 SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING UNIFORM POLICIES FOR COLLEGE TUITION REIMBURSEMENTS FOR ALL UNION CONTRACTS. Submitted by Reps. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11 and Audrey Maihock, R-19, 2/10/94. Held in Committee 3/7/94.

REP. ZELINSKY said that the Committee voted three in favor and two abstaining to approve a Sense-of-the-Board resolution. Moved. Seconded.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with four no votes, Reps. Leydon, LaDestro, Stork and Summerville and two abstentions, Reps. Laurie and Fortunato.

### EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

 MATTER OF CITY OF STAMFORD PROVIDING A FENCED IN PUBLIC SPACE TO BE USED BY UNLEASHED DOGS BY THEIR OWNERS. Submitted by Reps. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11 and Maria Nakian, D-20, 3/3/94.

#### HELD IN COMMITTEE

3. MATTER OF PUBLIC ACT 93-263 - AN ACT IMPROVING EDUCATIONAL QUALITY AND DIVERSITY. Local advisory committee to study issue and make recommendations to the Board of Education. Submitted by Jill A. Beaudry, Board Member and Chairperson - Local Advisory Committee, Stamford Public Schools, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06904-2152, 3/15/94.

REP. ZELINSKY said that the Connecticut General Assembly adopted the public act. He said that the law requires representatives from local communities to take part in regional planning to improve: 1. The quality of school performance in student outcomes. 2. Reduce barriers of opportunity. 3. Enhance student diversity and awareness of diversity, and 4. Address the program needs of limited English proficient students.

Rep. Zelinsky said that the local Advisory Committee was selected by the Board of Education to represent the diversity of the community, including schools, staff, parents, business, government, community agencies and organizations; the committee was chaired by Ms. Beaudry and Dr. Horoschak, Superintendent of Schools. Rep. Zelinsky said that the state has 11 defined educational regions, Stamford's region includes Darien, Greenwich, New Canaan, Norwalk, Westport and Wilton.

Rep. Zelinsky said that the Committee heard from Ms. Beaudry who gave the recommendations of the Advisory Committee. He said that discussion was strong pertaining to the proposals; however, the proposals will not be voted on at this time as the legislature said that the local legislative body has to be informed and after the entire region meets and makes recommendations, the vote will be taken.

<u>URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE</u> - Michael Larobina, Chairman - No report.

### HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman

REP. MITCHELL said that the Committee met on January 31, 1995 at 6:00 p.m. to hold a public hearing for the Community Development Program year Twenty (20) Plan and application. Also, they held a workshop on February 5, 1994 and met again on February 14, March 22 and April 4. A detailed report is attached to these Minutes.

 REPORT ON PUBLIC HEARING HELD JANUARY 31, 1994 FOR STAMFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM YEAR TWENTY (20) PLAN AND APPLICATION. Estimated funding to be received is \$1,300,000. Submitted by Timothy R. Beeble, Director, SCDP, 12/30/93. Held in Committee 2/1/94. Held in Steering 2/16/94.

See attached report.

### HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE; (continued)

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT THE YEAR 20 APPLICATION AND AMENDED YEAR 19 APPLICATION FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT. (\$1,317,000) Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 2/16/94. Board of Finance approved 3/15/94.

### APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

<u>REP. MITCHELL</u> said that the Committee met this evening and approved on Consent, 5-0-0, the Year 20 application for \$1,317,000 plus \$159,924 for amended Year 19 for a total of \$1,476,924. Moved. Seconded.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve item 2 on Consent. APPROVED by voice vote with Rep. Sherer abstaining on the Community Development resolution due to a conflict of interest.

3. MATTER OF COMMUNITY HOUSING RESOURCE BOARD (CHRB) RELOCATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT CENTER. Submitted by Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman, Housing & Community Development Committee, 3/16/94, per letter of 3/10/94 to Mayor Stanley J. Esposito from Sandra Dennies, Grants Director.

### HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. MITCHELL said that the item was Held. She said that due to a possible conflict of interest, the following Committee members did not participate on the following items: 1. CTE, Inc. - Rep. Johnson. 2. Housing Authority - Rep. Summerville. 3. Stamford Family Housing Corp. - Rep. Summerville.

Rep. Mitchell thanked her Committee members, Eva Weller, Tim Beeble, Sandy Dennies and Mayor Esposito for their support and cooperation.

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

### TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Marggie Laurie, Chairwoman

REP. LAURIE said that the Committee met on March 15, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Lucy Corelli, Jeff Curtis, Robert McLaughlin, Patrick White, Audrey Maihock and Marggie Laurie. Also, present were Reps. Annie Summerville, Carmen Domonkos and Robert DeLuca; Ted Collins of Dial-A-Ride; Jack Petkus, Director of Traffic and Parking; Sandra Dennies, Grants Director; Robin Stein, Planning and Zoning Director; Daniel McCabe, Corporation Counsel; Jon Gallup from the Transit District; Sybil Taccone from the Transit District; and Terry Andrews from Council of Churches and Synagogues.

Rep. Laurie said that a complete report was sent to all members; this report is attached to these Minutes.

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 2/1 and 3/7/94.

## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. LAURIE said that the Committee approved a charge of \$1.00 per one-way trip throughout the city with a long-term pass allowing 40 rides offered at \$30.00, thus saving the buyer's \$10.00. She said that the Committee approved the fare on the strong urging of the Commission on Aging, the Grants office, and the rest of the city staff involved. Rep. Laurie said that failure to approve the fares would risk the complete loss of the Dial-A-Ride program.

Rep. Laurie said that the Committee received assurances from the Commission on Aging that no senior will be denied transportation due to lack of funds. She said that other funding sources are being investigated along with transportation sources.

Rep. Laurie Moved for approval of the fare recommendations. Seconded.

REP. SUMMERVILLE wanted the record to note that the Committee was told by the Commission on Aging that if the rates were not approved, the City of Stamford would lose Dial-A-Ride. Also, for the record, Rep. Maihock was present at the Committee meeting.

REP. STORK said that he will reluctantly vote in favor of the item. He said that this was another mandate set upon the Board and if not voted on, the senior citizens of the city will lose another service. Rep. Stork said that he wanted to caution what is going on in neighboring communities concerning similar services. He said that the rate is starting at \$1.00 each way; Norwalk is \$2.00 each way and Greenwich is at \$4.80 each way. He said that he hopes the door is kept closed, as much as possible, after the rates are approved this evening.

REP. ZELINSKY said that he has strong feelings about charging seniors \$1.00 one way but there is no choice in the matter and there may be a possibility of not having Dial-A-Ride in the city. He said that he will reluctantly vote for the fares and was concerned that the charge will escalate.

Rep. Zelinsky said that the report has "Whereases" in it and asked whether this was a Sense-of-the-Board resolution?

<u>REP. LAURIE</u> said that it was an approval of the fares and carried the same weight as a Sense-of-the-Board resolution. She said the Committee will be following up on the recommendations and will keep the Board posted.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> said that the item was not a Sense-of-the-Board resolution; voting will be on approving the fares.

REP. SUMMERVILLE wanted the record to note, with the consent of the Chair of Transportation, that the Committee was told that no senior citizen will be denied access to a ride if going to the new senior center, if and when it opens; the Commission assured the Committee that those persons would be given a ride to the center and back home.

REP. LAURIE consented to Rep. Summerville's request.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that he would vote in favor of the fares although he did not want to. He asked that the Chair of Transportation keep tabs on what effort is being made to obtain private funds to subsidize the program and report back to the Board because that after so many years looking for a center, that someone will not be able to go for the lack of funds or those needing a ride will be turned away.

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## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE; (continued)

REP. LAURIE said that she concurred with Rep. Boccuzzi.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the fare plan for Stamford's Dial-A-Ride program. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Laurie and the Committee for their hardwork.

REP. LAURIE thanked her Committee and other members of the Board for their help.

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Nicholas Pavia & John J. Boccuzzi, Co-Chairmen No report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Nicholas Pavia, Chairman - No report.

ETHICS REVIEW COMMITTEE - Gregory LaDestro & Maria Nakian, Co-Chairpersons
REP. NAKIAN said that no meeting was held.

1. FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 706 SUPPLEMENTAL CONCERNING THE STAMFORD MUNICIPAL CODE OF ETHICS. Submitted by Rep. Maria Nakian, D-20, 1/24/94. Held in Committee 3/7/94.

# HELD IN COMMITTEE

<u>PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE</u> - Ralph Loglisci & John J. Boccuzzi, Co-Chairmen No report.

AUDIT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE - John J. Boccuzzi & Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairmen No report.

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

REP. MARTIN (reported for Rep. Hogan). Rep. Martin said that the Committee met on Monday, March 28, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. and held an adjourned meeting this evening, April 4, 1994. He said that Rep. Hogan will report on the meeting held March 28.

### REVALUATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

 FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REVALUATION. Submitted by Reps. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11, Maria Nakian, D-20 and David Martin, D-19, 11/24/93. Held in Steering 12/13 & 12/15/93. Held in Committee 2/1 and 3/7/94.

REP. MARTIN said that this evening, the Committee approved the ordinance by a vote of 3-0-0.

Rep. Martin said that the ordinance was a simple one with a three year property by property phase-in of revaluation; it also requires that the city conduct another revaluation within four years. Rep. Martin Moved for approval. Seconded.

REP. CONTI asked if the ordinance went through Corporation Counsel as to the legality of it?

REP. MARTIN said that it did and a cover letter with the ordinance was also sent to Board members.

REP. CONTI said that she, personally, did not see the proposed ordinance until this evening. She said that she did not think it legal to phase-in certain people's evaluations that will be seeing a 23 to 30 percent increase and then phasing in other people's tax breaks such as condominiums who are receiving a 13% tax decrease who will not being getting their decrease until 1997. Rep. Conti said that the city is open to hugh liabilities and class action law suits because these people deserve their money in 1994 not 1997. She said that the Committee should do more research on that.

<u>REP. MARTIN</u> said that the ordinance conforms to state law and the phase-in is allowed under state law; it has been challenged in courts and the challenged has been turned down.

<u>REP. CONTI</u> asked if a law suit was directed to the city, would Corporation Counsel address it or would the suit be turned over to the state because we are following state statutes?

REP. MARTIN said that Corporation Counsel would have to answer that question.

REP. CONTI said that voting for any kind of phase-in would be a liability to the city and unfair to the 9,000 condominium owners in the city who have been paying more than their share of taxes in the last five years. She said that someone should be speaking for the condo owners to see that the decrease is effective in 1994.

REP. ZELINSKY Moved to amend section 3. of the ordinance to read "property revaluation every three (3) years" instead of four (4) as stated in the ordinance. Seconded. He said that he originally requested that reval be conducted every two or three years. He said that if this ordinance is adopted next month, it still would be three to three and a half years before revaluation is done.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve. Rep. Zelinsky's motion. DEFEATED by voice vote.

### REVALUATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

<u>REP. LOGLISCI</u> said if approved for publication, options are increased prior to the setting of the mill rate by the Board of Finance.

<u>REP. DeLUCA</u> asked that if the ordinance was published as submitted and a public hearing is held and the phase-in is taken out of the ordinance, would it have to be republished?

REP. MARTIN said that it would have to be republished.

REP. DeLUCA Moved to delete all sections that pertain to phase-in. He said that he is confident that at the public hearing, the people will come out against the phase-in, therefore, the ordinance would not have to be republished. Rep. DeLuca's motion was Seconded.

REP. MARTIN said that if the public speaks that they do not want the phase-in but do want paragraph 3 that states more frequent revaluation, there would be no significant time pressure to pass an ordinance. He said that if concluded for a phase-in, there is severe time pressure. Rep. Martin said that with the phase-in the ordinance, more people will attend the hearing and speak specifically about phase-in. He was opposed to Mr. DeLuca's amendment.

REP. MONTELLO said that the issue of revaluation every three or four years does not have to be decided on now; it will be decided after the conclusion of the fiscal year end and the topic can be taken up next year as to not cloud the waters on the phase-in.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that after the public hearing is held and it is agreed that the public does not want phase-in, why would the ordinance have to be republished if that part is left out and it states, "revaluation shall take place every three or four years."

REP, MARTIN said that he believes the issue Rep. DeLuca is raising is can we plan ahead with how the ordinance is published so that we do not have to republish and save time. Rep. Martin said that if the ordinance is published without the phase-in provisions and later decide, based on the public hearing, that we do want phase-in, we are in a bind and are forced into republication and an additional meeting of the Board in order to be prepared for the Board of Finance before they meet.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that Rep. Hogan called him and asked that it be known that he felt the ordinance should not be published at this time; he would like to wait until the state regulations are voted on.

Rep. Boccuzzi said that 12 years ago, he was worried about phase-in and he has not heard anything that would change his mind. He said that he was willing to have the public come in to discuss it.

REP. NAKIAN said that the issue is phase-in; she said that if there is an ordinance with no phase-in in it, there will be no public coming to speak on whether or not they are in favor of it. Rep. Nakian said that there is a lot of second guessing as to how the public will react and how the ordinance should be worded as to the public reactions. She said the ordinance has to be published including the revaluation cycle.

### REVALUATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. ZELINSKY said that in discussing Rep. DeLuca's motion, he is strongly against making the changes and for the fact that most of the taxpayers are facing a possible 30% increase, it is only fair to have the ordinance published and have the public address their concerns.

REP. SHERER Moved the question. Seconded.

REP. DeLUCA restated his amendment to delete paragraphs one and two of the ordinance.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve Rep. DeLuca's amendment. DEFEATED by a voice vote. Those in favor were Reps. Perillo, DeLuca, LaDestro, McLaughlin, Stork and Conti. Rep. Montello abstained.

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve for publication the proposed ordinance concerning the implementation of revaluation. APPROVED by voice vote with Reps. Perillo, DeLuca, LaDestro, McLaughlin, Conti and Maihock voting no. Rep. Montello abstained.

 MATTER OF HAVING RE-EVALUATION CONDUCTED EVERY TWO OR THREE YEARS. Submitted by Reps. John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11, Maria Nakian, D-20 and David Martin, D-19, 11/24/93. Held in Steering 12/13 & 12/15/93. Held in Committee 2/1 and 3/7/94.

#### HELD IN COMMITTEE

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - David Martin & Donald Sherer, Co-Chairmen No report.

### RESOLUTIONS

 SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE STAMFORD FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 786 INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS ON THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY. Submitted by Rep. John R. Zelinsky, D-11, 3.14/94.

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

<u>PRESIDENT RINALDI</u> called for a vote to approve. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

## MINUTES

- FEBRUARY 1, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING not ready.
- 2. MARCH 7, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING not ready.

<u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> - Rep. Gerry Rybnick and Rep. John Hogan have been ill and are recuperating. Speedy recovery wishes to both.

OLD BUSINESS - None.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> - Rep. David Martin said that the state is awarding a \$100,000 to art groups. The Coliseum Authority will review applications and decide where the funds will be distributed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded and Approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant

and Recording Secretary

23rd Board of Representatives

APPROVED

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

MTR:ak Enclosures

## STAMVOTE - ATTENDANCE

## 04-04-1994

NO		NAME	NO			NAME
1	PRS	MC LAUGHLIN, ROBERT		21	PRS	DE PINA, GLORIA
2	PRS	NAKIAN, MARIA		22	PRS	DOMONKOS, CARMEN
3	PRS	PIA, THOMAS		23	PRS	HOUSEY, ANGELA
4	PRS	OWENS, BOBBY		24	PRS	LAURIE, MARGGIE
5	PRS	LOGLISCI, RALPH		25	PRS	PERILLO, MILDRED
6	PRS	CORELLI, LUCY		26	PRS	PAVIA, NICHOLAS
7	PRS	LADESTRO, GREGORY		27	PRS	MITCHELL, ELAINE
8	N/P	RYBNICK, GERALD		28	PRS	SHERER, DONALD
9	PRS	CURTIS, JEFFREY		29	PRS	MC DONALD, ANDREW
10	N/P	SABIA, RONALD		30	N/P	HOGAN, JOHN J.
11	PRS	MAIHOCK, AUDREY		31	PRS	ZELINSKY, JOHN
12	PRS	JOHNSON, FRED		32	PRS	MARTINSEN, KIT
13	PRS	DE LUCA, ROBERT				LAROBINA, MICHAEL
14	PRS	WILK, DAVID				VITTI, JOSEPH
15	PRS	STORK, PHILIP				LEYDON, JOHN F.
16	PRS	MONTELLO, STEVEN		36	PRS	FORTUNATO, ALICE
17	PRS	CONTI, ELIZABETH				SCALZI, DAVID
18	PRS	MELLIS, ELLEN				MARTIN, DAVID
19	PRS	WHITE, PATRICK		39	PRS	BOCCUZZI, JOHN
20	PRS	SUMMERVILLE, ANNIE		40	PRS	RINALDI, MARY LOU
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# STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

## 04-04-1994

		TEST VOTE YES										
NO		NAME		NO		NAME						
1	YES	MC LAUGHLIN, ROBERT		21	YES	DE PINA, GLORIA						
2	YES	NAKIAN, MARIA		22	YES	DOMONKOS, CARMEN						
3	YES	PIA, THOMAS		23	YES	HOUSEY, ANGELA						
		OWENS, BOBBY		24	YES	LAURIE, MARGGIE						
		LOGLISCI, RALPH		25	YES	PERILLO, MILDRED						
		CORELLI, LUCY		26	YES	PAVIA, NICHOLAS						
		LADESTRO, GREGORY				MITCHELL, ELAINE						
		RYBNICK, GERALD				SHERER, DONALD						
		CURTIS, JEFFREY				MC DONALD, ANDREW						
		SABIA, RONALD				HOGAN, JOHN J.						
		MAIHOCK, AUDREY				ZELINSKY, JOHN						
		JOHNSON, FRED				MARTINSEN, KIT						
		DE LUCA, ROBERT				LAROBINA, MICHAEL						
		WILK, DAVID				VITTI, JOSEPH						
		STORK, PHILIP				LEYDON, JOHN F.						
		MONTELLO, STEVEN				FORTUNATO, ALICE						
		CONTI, ELIZABETH				SCALZI, DAVID						
		MELLIS, ELLEN				MARTIN, DAVID						
		WHITE, PATRICK		39	YES	BOCCUZZI, JOHN						
20						RINALDI, MARY LOU						
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