

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1995

23RD BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

The regular meeting of the 23rd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Thursday, January 5, 1995, in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 p.m. by President Mary Lou Rinaldi after both parties met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Representative Philip R. Stork, R-15.

"Heavenly Father, we thank you for your blessings for ourselves and our families during this past holiday season. We ask your continued blessings for the new leadership of our state and our nation, and we ask your blessings for those less fortunate than us. We ask for this in your name. Amen."

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 34 members present and six absent. Absent were Robert DeLuca (excused), Mildred Perillo (excused), Gloria DePina (excused), Thomas Pia (excused), David Wilk and Steven Montello.

The Chair declared a quorum.

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

PURSUANT TO SECTION C2-10-2(3) OF THE CHARTER - FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF FINANCE:

ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF FINANCE DUE TO THE RESIGNATION OF DANIEL P. MALLOY. Mr. Malloy resigned 12/12/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that it is with great pleasure and honor to nominate Michael Larobina to fill the vacancy on the Board of Finance due to the resignation of Daniel P. Malloy who was elected to the Board of Education.

She said that she has a kinship with Michael because they both came on the Board in 1989. She said that Michael has served with distinction, mostly recently as Chair of the Urban Renewal Committee and the Board has profitted many times from Mr. Larobina's expertise, he has always been most forthcoming with his knowledge and has been extremely helpful to the Board.

Rep. Domonkos nominated Mr. Larobina to the seat on the Board of Finance and wished him the best of luck. Seconded.

REP. ZELINSKY Moved that nominations be closed and the Clerk cast one ballot for the confirmation of Mr. Larobina. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to confirm Mr. Larobina. APPROVED by voice vote.

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF FINANCE: (continued)

PRESIDENT RINALDI on behalf of the Board, extended congratulations to Mr. Larobina. She said that she was happy for Michael but sad that Michael will no longer be a part of the Board of Representatives. She said that she, personally, will miss him; his intellect, dedication, his clear and rational thinking and his sense of ethics; he will be missed as a colleague and a friend.

REP. CORELLI congratulated Michael and said that it was a pleasure working with Michael and they worked well together. She said that Michael will do well on the Board of Finance and wished him luck.

MR. LAROBINA thanked the members of the Board. He said that when he called each member for support, all the members were very kind and said nice things. Mr. Larobina said that most members said the same thing; they thought he was able to articulate a point of view, it was rational, it was reasoned and the members thought that is what the Board of Finance needed and he could bring that to the Board. He said that some members did not always agree with him, but they thought his view was always rational and a reasoned point of view and he appreciated that.

Mr. Larobina said it was nice to have his constituents approve of his work for the city by re-electing him, but it is nice to know that the people you serve with appreciate and recognize your abilities too. He said that many, many members told him they appreciated the work he has done on the Board. Mr. Larobina said that the Board of Representatives is as important Board and takes a lot of criticism sometimes, along with the Board of Finance. He said that the value of the Board should not be diminished and he has a lot of respect for the Board despite the fact that sometimes there were disagreements. He said that he never held anything personal and no members ever made it personal when he disagreed on an issue, the next issue was moved forward and the business of the city was carried on. He said that this was remarkable and not seen in all city governments.

Mr. Larobina said that he enjoyed serving on the Board and it has been a wonderful learning experience; it helped him professionally and personally. He thanked the Board members for giving him the opportunity to move on, it was time to move on.

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES:

MR. LAROBINA submitted his letter of resignation to President Rinaldi.

PRESIDENT RINALDI read the letter:

"Dear Mary Lou,

"As a result of my election to the Board of Finance this evening, effective immediately, I hereby resign as a member of the Stamford Board of Representatives.

"Sincerely,

"/s/ Michael D. Larobina"

FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES: (continued)

REP. BOCCUZZI Moved to place the name of Herman Alswanger of the 16th District to replace the seat vacated by Mr. Larobina. Seconded.

Rep. Boccuzzi said that Mr. Alswanger has been a lifelong resident of Stamford, he is head of the Guidance Department at Stamford High School and Director of the Long Ridge Camp. Mr. Alswanger served on the Board of Representatives from 1966 to 1968 and then served five years on the Rent Commission and he served with many community organizations in the city. Rep. Boccuzzi said that he served with Mr. Alswanger in 1966-1968 and sat next to him. Mr. Alswanger was a good representative and will continue to be a good representative.

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Alswanger. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Alswanger and he took his seat.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late REVEREND CHARLES FRANKLIN requested by Representatives Annie M. Summerville, Elaine Mitchell and Fred Johnson. "Rev. Franklin was the pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church. He will be missed and we extend our sympathy."

For the late CHARLES H. JEPSEN requested by the 23rd Board of Representatives. "Charles H. Jepsen was an international oil economist and father of state Sen. George Jepsen. He was chairman of Energy Dynamics Inc., a consulting firm for petrochemical and international oil companies and most recently, he was a full professor at King Fahd University in Saudi Arabia and a consultant to the United Nations. Mr. Jepsen began his career at Exxon Corporation and also worked at Union Carbide Corporation and Mobil Oil Corporation. He was a veteran of World War II serving in the U.S. Air Force. Mr. Jepsen received a Rhodes scholarship after graduating with high honors from Washington State University. He received a bachelor's degree with honors in 1949 from Oxford University in England, as well as a master's degree in 1953 and doctorate in 1954.

"Mr. Jepsen is survived by his wife, Rita Jordan Jepsen; two sons, Charles T. Jepsen and George C. Jepsen; a daughter Rita D. Jepsen; a brother, Robert L. Jepsen; two sisters, Marilyn Daly and Margaret Burya; and five grandchildren. Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Jepsen and the Jepsen family."

For the late EDITH SHERMAN requested by the 23rd Board of Representatives. "Edith Sherman, a community leader who became a driving force behind the revitalization of downtown Stamford during the 1970s and 1980s died in Sun City, Ariz. She was 82. Mrs. Sherman had homes in Stamford and Sun City. She served as chairman of the Urban Redevelopment Commission from 1974 to 1984. She was a Republican member of the Board of Representatives from 1969 to 1973. Mrs. Sherman was very active in community affairs and received many honors from various organizations.

"Mrs. Sherman was predeceased by her husband, Maurice Sherman. She is survived by two sons, Michael Sherman and Gerry Sherman; a daughter Carol Selsberg; a sister, Vivian Kirp Mailand; seven grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. Our sincerest sympathy to the Sherman family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late DAVID LUPINACCI requested by the 23rd Board of Representatives.

For the late THELMA MARTIN requested by Representative Ralph F. Loglisci.

For the late ANGELA DeNICOLA VERRASTRO requested by Representative Ralph F. Loglisci.

For the late FRANK J. ROBOTTI requested by Representatives Ronald A. Sabia, Philip R. Stork, John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Alice Fortunato, Patrick White, Ralph F. Loglisci, John F. Leydon, Jr. and Thomas Pia.

"Frank J. Robotti, a former Stamford police commissioner, died Saturday, December 31 at Stamford Hospital. He was 81. Born November 24, 1913, in Stamford. He was a son of the late Bruno and Theresa Piccoli Robbotti. He owned F. J. Robotti Inc. in Stamford, wholesale purveyors of meats. Mr. Robotti served two terms as a member of the Stamford Police Commission during the administration of the late Walter J. Kennedy. He also was a president of the Building Association of the Stamford Knights of Columbus and was Grand Knight of St. Augustine Council 41.

"He is survived by three daughters, Marilyn Marzullo, Virginia Orgera, and Nancy Cappillieri; a son, Peter J. Robotti; two sisters, Rose Corbo and Florence Stevens; three brothers, John Robotti, Julius C. Robotti and William P. Robotti; 12 grandchildren and a great-grandchild. He was predeceased by his wife, Virginia Macarella Robotti; a son, Frank V. Robotti; and a brother, Peter B. Robotti. We send our sympathy to the family members and share in their loss."

For the late PETER BADARICK requested by Representative Mildred Perillo.

"Mr. Badarick was the husband of Kathleen Badarick. Besides his wife, Kathleen, he is also survived by two daughters. My sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Badarick and family."

For the late HAROLD C. HILTON requested by Representatives Ellen Mellis of the 13th District and Carmen Domonkos of the 18th District.

"Harold Hilton died at the Branford Hospice on December 14, 1994 after a long battle against cancer. A memorial service honoring him was held on December 18, 1994. He was 75. "Hilton, as he was known to all, was a World War II Army Veteran and a member of the first all-black firefighting battalion in Germany and France. He was a member of the VFW, the American Legion, and the Greenwich Masqueraders. He was also a member of the U.S. Figure Skating Association, taught figure skating at Landmark Square and was a member of the New Canaan Horseshoe Pitchers Association. Hilton was also a member of the Bethel AME Church and one of the founders of the Men's Chorus and Serendipity Chorale in Norwalk.

"Hilton was a special friend, helper, teacher, husband, and father. To his wife Elaine, daughters Michele and Harla and family, we extend our deepest sympathy and condolences. He will always be remembered with love and deep admiration."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late ARMAND HERMAN LIGUORI requested by Representative John R. Zelinsky, Jr. "Mr. Liguori was a constituent. He was Director of Facilities at Metro Media for 30 years. Mr. Liguori became a member of Local No. 3 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers as an electrician when he was 16. He was a member of the Knight of Columbus in Long Island and St. Bridget's Church in Stamford, and was active in the New York City Police Department Columbia Association. He was also past vice president of the Catholic Council at Local No. 3. He is survived by a son, Vincent A. Liguori of Stamford; four grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. My sincerest sympathy to his son, Vincent, and family."

For the late IVY BRIDE requested by Representatives John F. Leydon, Jr. and Patrick J. White.

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.

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, December 14, 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 7:10 p.m. A quorum was present.

Present at the meeting:

Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman	John J. Boccuzzi	John J. Hogan, Jr.
Maria Nakian	Ralph Loglisci	David Martin
Marggie Laurie	Nicholas Pavia	Carmen Domonkos
Audrey Maihock	Robert DeLuca	Angela Housey
Elaine Mitchell	Michael Larobina	John Zelinsky, Jr.
Thomas Pia	Donald Sherer	John Roman, WSTC
Bobby Owens	Annie Summerville	Dan Mangan, Advocate
		Anne Kachaluba

Ordered on the Agenda from the Addenda was the item to fill a vacancy on the Board of Finance due to the resignation of Dannel P. Malloy who was elected to the Board of Education.

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

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 15 of the 16 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; one item was ordered to the Pending Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda were the five items appearing on the Addenda and two brought up under Suspension of Rules.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were four of the six items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; two items were ordered to the Pending Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda were three items from the Pending Agenda. Two items were ordered off the Pending Agenda, one for the Water Commission and one for tax abatement for the Red Cross.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the five items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Three items were Held in Steering and one item was ordered to the Pending Agenda.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Two items were ordered off the Agenda, one to abandon Dairy View Lane (this was already done) and sale of property at 43 Arlington Road (Planning Board rejected request). Ordered on the Agenda was one item from the Urban Renewal Committee, discontinuance of Beehler Street and Guernsey Avenue.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda was one item appearing on the Addenda.

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

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Suspension of Rules approved to place the resolution regarding discontinuance of Beehler Street and Guernsey Avenue on the Agenda. This item was moved to the Planning & Zoning Committee.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

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

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Ordered Held in Steering was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

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 8:10 p.m.

Mary Lou T. Rinaldi, Chairwoman
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that the Committee met on Monday, December 19, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Reps. Summerville, Boccuzzi, Mellis, Stork, Fortunato, and Larobina; absent were Reps. Pia, DePina and Wilk.

Rep. Summerville placed item 1 on the Consent Agenda. Moved. Seconded.

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

DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

1. MR. CARL R. ALTON, SR.
81 Thornwood Road
(Held in Committee 12/5/94)

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee met on Thursday, December 22, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were members Sabia, DePina, Domonkos, Hogan, Loglisci, Mitchell, Pavia, Sherer and Wilk; also present were Reps. Laurie, Zelinsky, McDonald, Leydon, Owens; Dr. Rosenfield, John Mooney, Jeannette Phillips, Jack Petkus, Patrick Tully, Andrew McBride, Peter Mynarski, Bob Ruszkowski, and Patrick O'Connor.

Rep. Domonkos placed items 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20 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. Rep. Leydon abstained on item 1.

REP. LOGLISCI wanted to let the Board members know that item 18 will cost the city \$4,880, item 19, \$45,000 and item 20, \$4,525.

REP. DOMONKOS said that at this point, city money is not being approved.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. \$ 20,820.00 - LAW DEPARTMENT - CODE 230.5907 TAX COLLECTION EXPENSES - additional appropriation to pay common charges and associated charges for condominium unit located at 60 Strawberry Hill Avenue. Requested funds will pay charges through December 31, 1994.
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| Common charges | \$17,070.18 |
| Special assessment | 2,543.46 |
| Electric | 1,200.00 |
- Note: Electric charge is \$1,654.09/month, city protesting this charge as the unit is vacant. At this time, \$200/month is being budgeted for electricity. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/29/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94. Held in Committee 11/1/94. Held in Steering 11/16/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

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

2. \$ 85,000.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - AIDS EXCHANGE PROGRAM #94-576 - CODE - VARIOUS - additional appropriation to fund implementation of a needle exchange program. This is a grant.
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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 94-576-1110 salaries | \$17,290 |
| 94-576-1130 part time | 6,422 |
| 94-576-1310 social security | 1,791 |
| 94-576-1330 medical & life | 2,469 |
| 94-576-1382 auto liability | 1,028 |
| 94-576-2510 maintenance of vehicles | 2,200 |
| 94-576-2650 new equipment | 7,000 |
| 94-576-2651 equipment rental | 28,800 |
| 94-576-2740 telephone | 3,000 |
| 94-576-2750 gasoline | 2,000 |
| 94-576-2923 copying & printing | 1,000 |
| 94-576-2930 office supplies | 6,000 |
| 94-576-2940 conferences & training | 1,000 |
| 94-576-3736 medical supplies | 5,000 |
| | <u>\$85,000</u> |

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/1/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94. Held in Steering 11/16/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee approved item 2 by 6 yes votes, 1 no vote and 1 abstention. Moved. Seconded.

REP. LEYDON said that he would vote against the item. He said that he believed that it condoned drug use. He said that the motivation described was to fight AIDS and he thought there were more effective ways to do this. Rep. Leydon said that this will have an adverse impact on the neighborhoods; the van will be parked on neighborhood streets from which needles will be distributed and for those reasons he will vote against the appropriation.

REP. MARTINSEN said that she agreed with Rep. Leydon. She said that the intentions are good but believes it does smack endorsement and said there were other effective ways to help drug addicts.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that the program is to reduce AIDS and the program has proven in New Haven and Hartford to reduce the instance of AIDS. She said that one of the major factors of the program is the people coming to the van have to prove that they do use the needles; the health personnel on the van will be able to determine that. Rep. Domonkos said that the users coming to the van will also be helped with professional assistance and counseling to encourage them to enter drug treatment programs. Rep. Domonkos said that not only the drug users are getting AIDS, but also their partners and children and the program has proven to be effective.

REP. SUMMERVILLE asked if a list of the neighborhoods was given and who will decide what neighborhood the van will be parked in?

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Health Department did not indicate the neighborhoods as they do not know yet exactly where; they will work with drug programs in the community to determine that. Rep. Domonkos said the van would not be near schools or where there are children waiting for busses. She said there will be no advertisement because they want to be discreet. She said that people from Drug Liberation are already working in the community and know where the people can be reached. Rep. Domonkos said that there is no schedule yet.

REP. SUMMERVILLE asked if the van would be near residential areas, especially downtown?

REP. DOMONKOS said that is not known at this point.

REP. CORELLI said that she has a difficult time with this item. She said that she understands what Rep. Domonkos is saying but agrees with her two colleagues. She said that although the program will prevent the spreading of AIDS, but it can be said to the users, "Here are the clean needles, but you might die of a drug overdose." She said that she will vote against the appropriation.

REP. LAURIE said that she spoke to Dr. McBride about the neighborhood acceptance of the van. She said that Dr. McBride said that if a neighborhood objected to the presence of the van, the van would not be located in that neighborhood.

REP. DOMONKOS said that Dr. McBride indicated that the exchange of clean needles for dirty ones was not going to promote drug use because the people at this point are already addicted and before they can join the program, they will have to prove they are addicted to drugs and not a new experience. Dr. McBride felt the professionals working on the van are capable and able to determine the users and would not promote new drug use.

REP. ZELINSKY said that if the appropriation is approved, a request be made of Dr. McBride to send to the Board a list of the established places where the van will be parked.

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that Rep. Zelinsky's request can be made.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. HOUSEY'S remarks were inaudible.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the people working the van will also be handing out educational materials and they will try to develop relationships with those coming back to encourage them and guide them to treatment programs; the information is wider spread than just the drug user, the information given is passed on to their partners and children.

REP. SABIA said that he is on Fiscal and voted against the item. He said that the program is working out in Hartford. He said that in the New York Times, December 25, front page, there is an article on the overtime costs and surge in drug dealing in Hartford. Rep. Sabia said the article states there are more problems now than before the needle exchange program. He did not see where the program is helping in preventing AIDS; there should be hygiene classes for the children and something should be done for those that are not on needles to educate them not to use them instead of giving out the needles for nothing.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the \$356,000 grant approved for the Police Department does what Rep. Sabia was speaking about. Three policemen are and have been for years in the schools educating the youngsters with the DARE program.

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote to approve \$85,000 for the Health Department needle exchange program. DEFEATED by 18 yes, 13 no votes and two abstentions. (2/3rd's of those present and voting needed for approval)

3. \$ 27,500.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - AIDS EDUCATION RISKS REDUCTION #94-577 - CODE 94-577-5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS - additional appropriation to cover an increase to the grant already appropriated to increase outreach work to the community. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/29/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

4. \$ 37,327.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - 94-567 SENIOR HEALTH PROGRAM - CODE-VARIOUS - additional appropriation to cover a grant. It will pay for a public health nurse for programs conducted for the elderly.
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|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| 94-567-1110 salaries | \$31,818 |
| 94-567-1310 Social Security | 2,434 |
| 94-567-1330 medical & life | 2,979 |
| 94-567-2923 copying & printing | 40 |
| 94-567-2940 conferences & travel | 56 |
| | <u>\$37,327</u> |
| Revenue codes: 550-5671 | \$37,287 |
| 550-5672 | 40 |
| | <u>\$37,327</u> |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/5/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

5. \$356,971.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT GRANT #94-430 - CODE-VARIOUS - additional appropriation to pay for police enforcement of anti-drug laws. This is a grant.
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|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| #94-430.1201 overtime | \$335,671 |
| #94-430.2940 conferences & training | 6,300 |
| #84-3422 major investigations unit | <u>15,000</u> |
| | \$356,971 |
- Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito 12/5/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

6. \$170,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD POLICE PROGRAM - #94-413 - CODE 94-413-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation to pay for police overtime. Police squads will target areas of high rate of illegal firearm use. This is a grant. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/5/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

7. \$ 41,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - COMBINED DISPATCH - CODE 433-3460 TRAINING - additional appropriation for conversion costs to implement change from sworn to non-sworn personnel. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

8. \$300,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - COMBINED DISPATCH - CODE 433-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for projected shortfall in account. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

9. \$150,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - COMBINED DISPATCH - CODE 433-1201 - additional appropriation for projected costs for training for non-sworn personnel. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

10. \$ 10,000.00 - PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT - CODE 270-5320 CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS - additional appropriation to provide funding to test entry level position of telecommunicator to initiate civilianization of E911. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

REP. DOMONKOS Moved for approval of item 10. Seconded.

REP. STORK asked if anyone appeared before the Committee to speak on the item?

REP. DOMONKOS stated that she did not invite anyone to attend because Mr. Ruszkowski and Mr. O'Conner explained the item.

REP. STORK asked if the tests were customized or can pre-prepared tests be used that would cost less money?

REP. DOMONKOS said that a resolution was approved to civilianize the E911 center; swore personnel which is expense is in that department. She said that the telecommunicator position is entry level therefore, the present staff of 32 can be increased to 60; this will cut down on the overtime and will eliminate using the police and fire personnel. Rep. Domonkos said that a new test has to be developed with approximate 18 to 20 people hired; a large number of applicants is anticipated and the \$10,000 is a justifiable amount for the tests.

REP. STORK said that he will not vote against the appropriation but in the future he hoped that someone would explain on the chance that there is a better way of doing this testing.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 10. APPROVED by voice vote with three no votes, Reps. Conti, Fortunato and Leydon.

11. \$ 20,000.00 - CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION - CODE 130-3503 - additional appropriation for the Commission. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

12. \$ 32,000.00 - BELLTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1994/95 FOR PROJECT CODE 471-320 EMERGENCY GENERATOR - additional appropriation to replace inoperable emergency generator. To be financed by bonds. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/23/94. Board of Finance approved emergency appropriation 11/17/94.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

13. PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDING DESIGNATION CHANGE - DEPARTMENT OF TRAFFIC AND PARKING - CODE 280-002 PROJECT GLENBROOK RR SURFACE - CHANGE IS \$9,000 FROM BONDS TO GRANT:

93/94 State grant \$237,319 to \$246,319

93/94 bonds 12,681 to 3,681

\$250,000 \$250,000

The State has provided the city a grant in the amount of \$320,000. \$17,113 is already appropriated under 280-9903; \$56,568 is already appropriated under 280-9913. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed partially, temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings and to be financed partially by a grant, as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Patrick J. O'Connor, Finance Commissioner, 12/8/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

14. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES REGARDING AN IMMUNIZATION SERVICES EXPANSION GRANT. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/28/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

15. MATTER OF THE COST AND PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE FOR THE BIG FIVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. Requested by Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman, Fiscal Committee, 12/7/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

16. \$ 58,031.00 - TAX COLLECTOR - CODE 260-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation to hire three additional positions. Funding needed for 6 months. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/13/94. Board of Finance approved 12/19/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

17. \$ 12,012.00 - TAX COLLECTOR - CODE 260-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation to fund two temporary cashiers for 90 days. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/13/94. Board of Finance approved 12/19/94.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

18. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING COST SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. This agreement allows for signalization of Interlaken Road at High Ridge Road. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/30/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

19. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING COST SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. This agreement will allow installation of new traffic signals, etc. at Hope Street at Glenbrook Road and Westover Road at Palmers Hill Road. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/30/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

20. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING COST SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. This agreement will allow for modifications to signal at Scofieldtown Road. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/30/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

21. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT FOR PROGRAM FUNDING FOR THE SENIOR CENTER. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/12/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Committee voted 8-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

REP. CONTI asked how much funding goes with the resolution and what will it be used for?

REP. DOMONKOS said that the seniors have been working with the Board of Education who need space for the adult programs when Hart School is being renovated. She said that money will be contributed from their budget and other agencies will be renting space which will operate other senior programs in the center. Rep. Domonkos said that fees will be charged from the seniors coming to the center and programs will be operated such as a lunch room to raise money. She said that approximately \$25,000 will be requested from the city to makeup the difference so the center can operate. Rep. Domonkos said that \$50,000 is being offered by the State Department of Social Services so the center can open and have the first year of funding.

REP. CONTI asked if it was a grant and was it for marketing for groups to come into the center?

REP. DOMONKOS said that the \$50,000 must be targeted for the seniors who are isolated and do not receive services in the city. She said that Stamford has been designated by the Agency on Aging that Stamford's minority and innercity seniors are underserved as they do not have facilities and programs where they can come to receive medical assistance and socialize.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

PRESIDENT RINALDI asked if the money can be used for operating costs and programs?

REP. DOMONKOS said that the only restriction is that the funds be used to help low income seniors; to bring the seniors to the center.

REP. CONTI said that she believes that more money should be put into the center instead of finding people to come to the center. She said that the people should be aware that there is a center.

REP. DOMONKOS said that many elderly do not know about the services available and are isolated; they may be ill or they may not eat properly or not have someone look in on them. Rep. Domonkos said that we think that everyone should know about existing programs but there are a lot of people who don't read a newspaper or know what is out in the community. She said that the area Agency on Aging has documented this as a serious problem in Stamford. She said that she did not think the state would give money to a town that they do not think is deserving.

REP. LOGLISCI asked if any of the \$50,000 would be going for additional people or would this be handled by Jeannette Phillips?

REP. DOMONKOS said that she really did not know.

REP. MAIHOCK asked what the \$25,000 Rep. Domonkos mentioned coming from the city would be used for? Also, what time period the \$50,000 and the \$25,000 would cover?

REP. DOMONKOS said that the \$25,000 was a possibility and funding is being sought from other sources so that the city does not have to pay; the \$25,000 may have to be used to complete the budget. She said that the Mayor will not release the funds to renovate until they have money guaranteed to operate the center. She said that the agencies wanting to come in will not promise the money until they know that there is going to be a center. Rep. Domonkos said that Stamford is the only city of any size in Connecticut that does not have a senior center. She said that at a meeting with the state, the state could not believe that Stamford did not have a senior center; they committed monies to get the center off the ground.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the resolution for program funding for the senior center. APPROVED by voice vote with Reps. Conti and Maihock voting no.

22. REPORT ON BUDGET PROCESS. Submitted by Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman, Fiscal Committee, 12/14/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Mayor put together a committee consisting of several department heads, members of the Board of Representatives, Board of Finance and Board of Education to look at a new way of putting the budget together for better planning and an earlier look into the process. She said that the department heads have submitted their priorities and this is the first time a budget has been decided on priorities of department services. She said that the priorities for each department have been put together and is on file in the Board office for review.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Board of Finance was doing the same. She said that once the priorities are looked at, and if thought that any changes should be made, the changes will go back to the Mayor now so that department heads can be informed so that they can start developing their budgets knowing, in advance, what the Boards will accept and what won't be accepted. Rep. Domonkos said that also the priorities indicate what the departments will be doing in 1996/97. She said this was a first for the city and planning can be done for two years instead of one. She asked that all members look at the priorities and get back to her with their concerns.

REP. DOMONKOS Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up an item for the Payroll Department. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote.

23. \$ 21,393.00 - FINANCE/PAYROLL DEPARTMENT - CODE 246-1110 SALARIES - additional appropriation - \$15,080 to fund account clerk II and \$6,312 for acting pay for account clerk II. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/15/94. Board of Finance approved 12/19/94.

REP. DOMONKOS said that the Payroll Department has been severely cut over the past few years and now they are finding it impossible to carry out some functions that take a lot of time. She Moved for approval. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 23. APPROVED by voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee met on Monday, December 19, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Nakian, Domonkos, Leydon, Maihock, Martin and Zelinsky; Reps. McDonald and Sherer were excused. Also present was Rep. Annie Summerville and Dean Montgomery for the public hearing on item 1; Jack Petkus, Director of Traffic and Parking for item 6; Michael Pavia, Commissioner of Public Works, Louis David and Jeannette Semon on item 5; Mr. Pavia on item 7 and members of the Public Works Committee, Reps. Owens, Curtis, Martinsen, Laurie and Johnson; they met jointly with L&R on the solid waste haulaway contract.

Rep. Nakian placed items 2, 3 and 4 on the Consent Agenda.

1. (L&R23.56) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE INCREASING THE FINE FOR ILLEGAL DUMPING. Submitted by Reps. David Martin, D-19, Robert DeLuca, R-14 and Maria Nakian, D-20, 9/12/94. Held in Committee 10/3 and 11/1/94. Approved for publication 12/5/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. (L&R23.59) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PROCEDURE FOR FINES AND APPEAL OF A VIOLATION OF A CITY ORDINANCE. Submitted by Maria Nakian, Chairwoman, Legislative & Rules Committee, 10/7/94. Held in Committee 11/1/94. Approved for publication 12/5/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

3. (L&R23.63) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CLARIFYING ROAD DISCONTINUANCE PROCEDURE. Submitted by Reps. Michael Larobina, D-16, Maria Nakian, D-20 and David Martin, D-19, 11/4/94. Approved for publication 12/5/94.

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

4. (L&R23.67) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED RESOLUTION AMENDING BOARD OF ETHICS RULES OF PROCEDURE. Submitted by Maria Nakian, Chairwoman, Legislative and Rules Committee, 11/14/94. Approved for publication 12/5/94.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, REP. MAIHOCK.

5. (L&R23.55) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE AND THE SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. Submitted by Michael A. Pavia, Commissioner of Public Works, 8/26/94. Held in Committee 10/3/94. Held on Pending Agenda 10/12/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

6. (L&R23.61) PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND NEW ENGLAND RECYCLING CO., INC. FOR VACANT LOT ADJACENT TO 600 ATLANTIC STREET. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/31/94. Planning Board approved 11/15/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee requested Mr. Petkus to have the lease modified to reflect that the lessee should be responsible for any environmental damage that might occur as a result of the use of the lot. She said that Mr. Petkus agreed to the request and the modified lease was sent to all members; Section 7., added was "Including but not limited to the clean up of any environmental damage that may occur due to the lessee's use of the premises." Rep. Nakian said that also added to the resolution was, "The lease as amended by the Board of Representatives."

Rep. Nakian Moved for approval of the lease and resolution as amended.
Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 6. APPROVED by voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

7. (L&R23.65) PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND VINCENT W. GILLESKIE, JR., D/B/A CONNECTICUT QUALITY TRANSMISSIONS FOR VACANT LOT ADJACENT TO 80 MAGEE AVENUE. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/4/94. Planning Board approved 11/15/94, term of lease reduced to one (1) year; total rental would then be \$2,400. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

REP. NAKIAN said that Committee approved item 7 by a vote of 7-0-0 contingent upon the fact that the lease be modified to reflect the leesee's liability for any environmental damage. Moved. Seconded.

REP. OWENS Moved to return item 7 to Committee. Seconded. Rep. Owens said that he would like to amend the ordinance to have the leesee responsible for cleanup of any environmental damage which might occur.

REP. NAKIAN said that in the lease for New England Recycling Co. written confirmation is had concerning the environmental damage. She said that we do not have any confirmation on the Gilleskie lease.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to return item 7 to Committee. APPROVED by voice vote.

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. Maihock voting no on item 4. and Rep. McDonald abstaining on item 3.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Chairman

REP. HOGAN said that the Committee met three times; December 21, 1994, December 29, 1994 and January 5, 1995.

1. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STAMFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE STAMFORD ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT COVERING THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 1995 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1998. Salary increases 1995/96, 1%; 1996/97, 1.8% and 1997/98, 2%. Other changes also in agreement. Board of Representatives received Agreement on 12/8/94. Submitted by Allen G. Grafton, Asst. to the Superintendent, Stamford Public Schools, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06904. Board of Finance recommended rejection 12/19/94.

Above also referred to LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

REP. HOGAN said that this evening, the Committee voted none in favor, five opposed to reject the contract. Present at this evening's meeting were Reps. Vitti, Stork, Conti, Doyle and Hogan. Rep. Hogan Moved to approve the contract. Seconded. He made the motion in the positive.

PRESIDENT RINALDI announced that Reps. Leydon and White left the Floor and will not participate in any discussion or vote. She also stated that it is the practice of the Board to frame all motions in the positive understanding that the contract is a negotiated one and not an arbitrated award like the last one.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that the Labor Relations Committee met at the same time with the Personnel and a vote was taken this evening. He said that the Labor Relations Committee had five members present and all voted no; to reject the contract.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. HOGAN Moved for approval of the agreement between the Board of Education and the Stamford Administrative unit. Seconded.

REP. ZELINSKY asked if the Chairman of Personnel is going to speak on the changes in the contract?

REP. HOGAN said that the Board only has control of the cost factors in the contract, mainly, salary increases. He said that back up information was submitted to the Board and the Stamford Administrative unit supplied information and cooperated. Rep. Hogan thanked the Unit, Mr. Nast and Mark Katz for attending; Marc Peyser was out of town and could not attend.

Rep. Hogan said that there was much discussion on the agreement and the Committee felt it was not appropriate at this time inasmuch as the city is facing severe fiscal problems and a tax increase coming in July. He said that the Committee felt that they could not approve an agreement that was going to increase any burden on the taxpayers and felt that the contract, although modest in its request, still exceeded the ability of the city to pay.

REP. ZELINSKY said that as a member of the Committee, he shared some of the concerns of the Committee members regarding the high salaries. He said that these people are administrators who have a great deal of responsibility with staff and the children in the schools; the responsibilities are more than in the past because of many problems experienced by the children. Rep. Zelinsky said that the administrators have to be compensated accordingly and the increase bargained for the year 1995/96 is 1%; 1996/97 is 1.8% and 1997/98 is 2%. Rep. Zelinsky said that at the first Committee meeting, it was asked how the increases compare to other administrative contracts in other municipalities in the state, and the answer was they are lower than what other municipalities pay. Rep. Zelinsky said that he sympathized with some of his colleagues and said should we give them zero percentage over three years; would that be fair because they are in a higher income bracket or what the criteria is?

Rep. Zelinsky said that all received the salary increase profile from the year 1983 to the present. He said that from 1983 to this contract, there was a high three years in the amount of 9.50% and a low of 5.50%; this year it is 1%. Rep. Zelinsky said that the administrators have a great deal of responsibility and accountability. He said that if the contract is rejected, it would go to arbitration and they could possibly accept or go in with a higher amount based on the figures of other administrative units.

Rep. Zelinsky said that he was comfortable, although not a 100% in favor of the high salaries, knows what he is voting on this evening; if the contract is rejected, we don't know what we will get. Rep. Zelinsky said that as to the tax increases, he believed the overall cost for the three years is between \$165,000 and \$170,000. He said that was not asking for a lot of money. He urged his colleagues to vote for the contract as he is going to do.

REP. STORK said that he has an opposing viewpoint from that stated by Rep. Zelinsky. Rep. Stork said that he means no disrespect to the administrators but the bottom line is that the salaries are obscene. He said that we are approaching a time that the staff of administrators will all be in the \$100,000 range. Rep. Stork said that his opinion was that the chief executive officer of the city (regardless of party) should be the highest paid city employee. Rep. Stork said that years ago when times were better, perhaps frugality should have been the mainstay at that time.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. STORK (continuing) said that the percentages were low, however, they do transmit to big dollars, and he can say to his constituents and administrators, "You are in a position to take zero percent increase for three years; you are earning enough money." Rep. Stork said that there is something wrong in the Board of Education where the past superintendent earned approximately \$130,000 a year and could not buy a \$300,000 house. He asked, "When does this stop?" and said, "now." Rep. Stork said that he will vote no on the agreement.

REP. LOGLISCI said that the administrators claim they are not at the top of the scale but any of the towns they are talking about who make more (New Canaan and Weston) have a small number of administrators; Stamford has a large number.

Rep. Loglisci said that there is a large gap between where the teachers' salary ends and the administrators begin. He said that the administrators may be making up to \$20,000 more than the teachers. He said that the city has to get away from percentage increases when talking about people making six figure incomes. Rep. Loglisci said that he will vote against the agreement.

REP. LAURIE said that it may be fair at this time to ask for zero raises for the administrators because over the last 15 years, they received very good raises during the good years plus enabling legislation from the state. She said that times are tough now and they are making a decent salary and do a decent job; saying only a \$160,000 can bring four or five new teachers and teacher aides into the classroom. She said that we cannot approve spending more money for existing personnel already receiving good salaries without realizing that money will be taken away from something else; it will be taken from the taxpayers. She said that it may be fair at this time to ask for zero percent.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that in checking back from 1983/84 to 1994/95, the administrators got 83.21% increases and adding in the next three years, it comes to 88.4%. He said the administrators have been treated kindly and he agreed with Reps. Hogan, Loglisci, Stork and Laurie. He said that if the salaries are compared with other cities, the administrators are near the top and not included is the arbitration award that is in Hartford now. Rep. Boccuzzi said that if the arbitration award goes in the administrators favor, the percentages will change and the amount of money needed to fund the contract will change.

Rep. Boccuzzi said that he hears the same many times that some cannot live in Stamford because of the high cost of living, yet 55% live out of town and 80% of budgets are salaries. He said that we make it harder for those that want to stay in Stamford so we can pay those who do not live in Stamford. He said it is very hard for him when he meets people on fixed incomes or those that make \$30,000 or less to tell them that their taxes will be going up and people making \$85,000 and over got an increase. Rep. Boccuzzi said that he could not vote for the contract.

A motion was made to Move the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Move the question. APPROVED by voice vote.

CLERK SUMMERVILLE announced for the record that Rep. Alswanger left the Floor and did not participate in any discussion or vote on the item.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that the motion is to approve bearing in mind that the Committee voted not to approve. She proceed to a vote to approve the agreement between the Board of Education and the Administrative unit. DEFEATED by 23 no, 6 yes votes with two abstentions.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Gregory LaDestro, Chairman

REP. LaDESTRO said that the Committee meeting was cancelled because the information will be available next month.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DISCONTINUANCE OF DAIRY VIEW LANE.
Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/7/94. Planning Board approved 12/19/94. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE DISCONTINUANCE OF BEEHLER STREET AND A PORTION OF GUERNSEY AVENUE. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 12/15/94. Contingent upon Planning Board and Board of Finance approval.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

REP. OWENS said that the Committee met jointly with the Legislative and Rules Committee on December 19, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Jeffrey Curtis, Marggie Laurie, Bobby Owens, Fred Johnson, Kit Martinsen, Robert DeLuca, Carmen Domonkos, Maria Nakian, Audrey Maihock, Elaine Mitchell, David Martin, John Leydon, Supervisor of Liquid Waste Jeannette Semon and Supervisor of Solid Waste Lou David, Jr.

Rep. Owens said that the Committee met again this evening. Present were Reps. Johnson, Curtis, Laurie, Owens, Corelli, Nakian, McDonald, Domonkos, Martinsen, Hogan; Supervisor of Solid Waste Lou David, Asst. Corporation Counsel Ken Povodator and Dan Mangan of the Advocate. Rep. Owens yielded the Floor to Co-Chair Curtis.

1. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR HAULING AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE BETWEEN THE CITY OF STAMFORD AND COMPACTION SYSTEMS. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/4/94. Held in Committee 12/5/94. Board of Finance approved 12/6/94.

Above also referred to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. CURTIS gave the following report on the closing of the incinerator and solid waste haulaway contract issue.

"The issue of the plan for handling Stamford's solid waste has taken up a great deal of this Committee's time and energy. We fully understand that to delay this issue costs the City money, but we refuse to bear the full burden of responsibility for the delay. The delay (in part) belongs to the administration and its handling of this issue.

"In my hand, I have an approximate historic time line of this issue. I think that if someone were to read this history, they would surmise that on numerous occasions, the Public Works Committee has had to ask repeatedly for facts and figures that should have been readily available or immediately available to members of this Committee.

"On October 7, 1994, only days after the City received an extension from the Department of Environmental Protection to keep the incinerator open until April 1, 1995, Representative Owens and I requested (in writing) a meeting with the Mayor, Public Works Commissioner Pavia, and the Leadership of the Board of Representatives. This meeting had been tentatively scheduled for October 18, 1994. We were told in a written memo from Mayor Esposito dated October 12, 1994, that our request for a meeting was a bit 'premature' only to have the Advocate print an article on October 20, (just two days after our meeting was to have been held) that quoted the Mayor as saying all the information was ready and that all they were waiting for was to make a formal presentation. It was also apparent from the article that the Mayor had been discussing his plans a week earlier with the president of the Shippan Point Association. It was a slap in this Committee's face, to read that discussions regarding the incinerator and related issues were going on all over Stamford, and when we asked to meet with the Mayor regarding the same issue, we were rebuked. The Mayor's formal presentation took place as a Committee of the Whole meeting on November 10, 1994, and was in all actuality, a staged media event covered by WSTC, the Stamford Advocate and Channel 12. The only people interviewed after the meeting were members of the Administration. The Administration has chosen to handle this issue from the very beginning as a media event and photo opportunity rather than honestly sitting down with members of the various boards and working together toward a successful conclusion to this endeavor.

"All too often we have had to ask repeatedly for information that obviously should have been attached or included with documents that were supplied to the Committee (i.e. Exhibit A, as mentioned in Section 13.3 of the contract). This document is an amortization sheet that describes our liability for equipment purchased by the contractor for performance of the contract. The copy of Exhibit A received listed the various types of equipment such as tractors, trailers, booms, loaders and cost for the equipment but did not specify how many pieces of equipment the contractor would actually need to purchase. This document as well as a letter of guarantee from the parent company in regards to a performance guarantee was requested during a meeting on December 19 between the Public Works Department management and members of the L&R and Public Works Committee.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. CURTIS (continuing) "It became apparent to me after reading Exhibit A that this document had to have been requested from the contractor on December 20, 1994, the day after our meeting. It was faxed to Lou David at 4:14 p.m. on December 21, 1994. In a transmittal letter from Commissioner Pavia, dated December 22, 1994, that states, 'Both of these documents (Exhibit A and the parent company guarantee letter) are still being reviewed by Ken Povodator and some wording changes may be required before finalization.'

"The Administration would like us to vote on this contract tonight and the Stamford Advocate is printing editorials that accuse the Board of Representatives of delaying this contract because of the debate over the increase in tipping fees.

"The Public Works and Sewer Committee takes its responsibilities seriously and refuses to be coerced or intimidated into sending this contract to the full Board for approval before we are totally satisfied that we have received what we feel are all the pertinent facts and figures.

"We are going to hold this contract for one more month in hopes that the Administration will give us any and all information that has been requested and that they are able to come up with a finalized wording for these two pertinent documents."

REP. CURTIS Moved to hold the contract between the City and Compaction Systems. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI asked what Ken Povodator's recommendation was after he reviewed the contract?

REP. CURTIS said that at this evening's meeting, Mr. Povodator was asked, "What do we do now in regards to voting on the contract?" Mr. Povodator's reply was, "Under the circumstances, there was no way we could vote on the contract this evening because of the documents that needed to be finalized as far as terminology."

PRESIDENT RINALDI asked if Mr. Povodator's legal opinion was not to take a vote this evening; to get additional information?

REP. CURTIS replied, "yes" to President Rinaldi's question.

REP. DOMONKOS applauded the Co-Chairs of the Public Works and Sewer Committee for their statement this evening because if the facts are true, the contract was given to the Board this evening to vote on. She said that at the L&R meeting on the 20th, she noted then that Exhibit A was not attached. She said that throughout the entire process for the last four years, if you don't ask for something, you don't get it; nothing has been provided to the Board unless a demand or threat is made that the FOI route will be used to seek the information. Rep. Domonkos said that the information should have been provided without members of the Board asking for it.

Rep. Domonkos said that the amortization statement for the equipment can cost the city well over \$1 million if we should cancel the contract. She said that with the Board not having their own legal representation must depend upon the Law Department. She said that it appeared this evening that the Law Department may not have seen the amortization statement. She said that she was disturbed that information was received without full facts and full confidence that the Law Department and the Public Works Department are doing a complete job.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DOMONKOS said that with the closing of the incinerator, full information was never given freely; it had to be requested and if you didn't request it, you didn't receive it. She said that the process was frustrating and this evening, we were to finalize and vote on a contract that will be one of the largest awarded in the city, costing millions and millions of dollars a year and the Board did not have the full facts.

REP. NAKIAN said that Legislative and Rules discussed the entire contract with the Public Works and Sewer Committee. She said L&R voted to approve the contract contingent upon approval by the Public Works and Sewer Committee and contingent upon receiving the information; neither contingency worked out. Rep. Nakian said that no formal vote was taken by L&R and the Committee backs the Public Works and Sewer Committee to Hold the contract.

PRESIDENT RINALDI asked if there was any time frame as to when the Law Department would review the contract and the exhibits?

REP. CURTIS said that all the Committee knows is that the Law Department is still working on the contract; some information was received this evening, no time frame was mentioned.

REP. MARTIN said that he asked some questions in the L&R meeting and found out that the answers he received were absolutely wrong.

REP. WHITE said that he will back the Public Works Committee but he wanted it made clear to the Administration to get on with the matter and to solve the problem, give the Committee the information needed so the incinerator can be closed.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Hold in Committee the haulaway contract. APPROVED by voice vote.

2. REVIEW OF AWARD LETTER FROM THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO STAR RECYCLING FOR SLUDGE HAULAWAY AND DISPOSAL. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 11/4/94. Contingent upon Board of Finance approval. Held in Committee 12/5/94.

Above also referred to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE.

REP. CURTIS said that no action was taken on item 2; the item should not have been before the Committee.

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

No report.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Thomas Pia & Robert DeLuca, Chairman

Both Co-Chairs were absent.

REP. SHERER said that concurrent on the advice of the Law Department, this item is withdrawn by the Parks Commission; no action to be taken.

1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF POLICY AND PERMIT TO ALLOW USE OF KEG BEER IN PARKS FOR CITY OF STAMFORD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS PURSUANT TO CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 15-1. Approved by Parks & Recreation Commission, 10/19/94. Submitted by Stephen L. Elkins, Director, Parks & Recreation Department, 12/1/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT RINALDI asked if a formal vote was taken?

REP. MARTINSEN'S remarks were not all audible. She said that a formal vote was not taken.

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

REP. ZELINSKY said the Committee met on Thursday, December 22, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Chairman Zelinsky, Vice Chairman Leydon. Rep. Zelinsky's report as to what representatives were present or excused was not clear. The Committee was Secondary on fiscal items.

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI announced that with Mr. Larobina's resignation from the Board, Maria Nakian, a member of the Committee, will become Chairwoman; Annie Summerville will replace Mr. Larobina.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman

REP. MITCHELL said that the Committee met on Tuesday, December 20, at 6:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Housey, Johnson, Mellis, Mitchell, Pavia and Summerville; also Tim Beeble and Sandy Dennies.

1. DISCUSSION ON YEAR 21 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PRIORITIES.
Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/12/94. Held in Committee 10/3, 11/1 and 12/5/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

REP. MITCHELL said the item was to get set for the public hearing to be held on January 17, 5:30 p.m. for the Community Block Grant Year 21. She said that this year, HUD is requiring all communities to consolidate all programs and submit a single performance report; consolidations would be like the Home Program, Comprehensive Housing Program and Stamford Housing Authority Programs that receive HUD funding and Community Block Grants. She said that the programs would still receive their separate funding but their requests would have to be in keeping with the overall consolidated plan and Community Development will have to sign off on the request.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. MITCHELL said that Community Development will be meeting with different housing agencies, social agencies, Parks Department, Economic Development, Health Department, Public Works and Planning & Zoning to find what the comprehensive plan will be.

2. STATUS REVIEW WITH SUB-GRANTEES FUNDED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. Submitted by Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman, Housing and Community Development Committee, 10/12/94. Held in Committee 11/1 and 12/5/94.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

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

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Marggie Laurie, Chairwoman - No report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

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

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

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI said the work of the Ethics Review Committee has been completed and the Committee is now abolished with the approval of the full Board.

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

No report.

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

PRESIDENT RINALDI said the Committee has not been active, therefore, this Committee is abolished as of this evening.

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

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - David Martin & Donald Sherer, Co-Chairmen

REP. MARTIN said that the Committee met on December 17, 1994 and January 5, 1995 to consider one Secondary item on the Fiscal agenda.

RESOLUTIONS - None.

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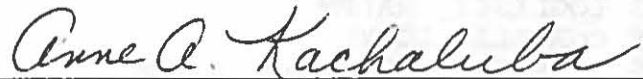
1. SEPTEMBER 7, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
2. OCTOBER 3, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
3. NOVEMBER 1, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
4. DECEMBER 5, 1994 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS - None.

OLD BUSINESS - Rep. Domonkos said that the Fiscal Committee will be meeting Tuesday, January 10, 1995, 7:00 p.m. to discuss the priorities for the 1995/96 operating budget. All are invited to attend.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and Seconded and Approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:03 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

01-05-1995

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

NOT PRESENT 6

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21	N/P DE PINA, GLORIA
22	PRS DOMONKOS, CARMEN
23	PRS HOUSEY, ANGELA
24	PRS LAURIE, MARGGIE
25	N/P 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	PRS 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 34

STAMVOTE - VOTE PROCESSING

01-05-1995

TEST VOTE YES

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