

*The Regular Meeting of the 26th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held Monday, July 1, 2002 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.*

# Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Led by Rep. Anabel Figueroa.

“Let us all pray. We pray to the Lord to give us the wisdom to stay together in harmony so that we can accomplish our mission for which we have been elected, which is to work for our citizens and the City of Stamford. Amen.”

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:** Led by President David R. Martin.

**ROLL CALL:** Led by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were thirty-six members present and four absent-excused (Reps. DePina, Skigen, White and Mitchell). Rep. White arrived after the roll call was taken.

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:** For the late: William J. Avalos, Sr., by Reps. Loglisci, Giordano, Coppola and Zelinsky; Anthony J. Corsello and Rosary O’Keefe Costello by Reps. Loglisci, Giordano and Zelinsky; Gerald D. Hogan and John Richer by Rep. Giordano; Ralph Serafino III by the 26<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives; Rosabell Robinson and Adley Miller by Rep. Summerville; Louise M. Guarino Ferrara, Barbara M. O’Connor and Valli L. Gaetani by Rep. Loglisci; William F. Asher, Karen Schoen Aruchisand, Helen Kramer, Lee Charles O’Hagan, Doris M. Rhodes, James J. Genovese, Sr., Crystal W. Gallagher, Jane E. Malay, Vivienne F.E. Herberg, Elizabeth Lupinacci, Carole A. Forlenzo, John Sienkiewicz, Mary Whitehead, Catherine Foreso, Nicholas T. Genovese, Kosmos P. Soullou, Walter J. Jakubek, Florence C. Piorowski and Ethel Tannen by Rep. Zelinsky.

**PAGES:** Nicole Crowley

A motion to suspend the rules to take an item out of order was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

1.                    **SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION;**                    **APPROVED BY**  
                         congratulating the students and staff of St. Gabriel’s                    **UNANIMOUS**  
                         on their patriotic presentation, “Tragedies and                    **VOICE VOTE**  
                         Triumphs: 20<sup>th</sup> Century America.”  
                         06/04/02 – Submitted Reps. Hunter and Crowley

Tom Hunter and Lisa Crowley presented the resolution.

**STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS:** By Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

Attached and made a part hereof is a transcript of the Mayor’s State of the City Address.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m. and reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

**STEERING COMMITTEE:** Meeting: Monday, June 10, 2002  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:** **Paul A. Esposito, Chair**  
**Annie M. Summerville, Vice Chair**

No report.

**FISCAL COMMITTEE:** **Randall Skigen, Chair**  
(Attendance) **Bobby E. Owens, Vice Chair**  
(Votes) Meeting: Monday, June 24, 2002  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Owens reported that the Fiscal Committee met on June 24, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Cannady, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Loglisci, Lyons II, Sherer, Owens and Skigen; also present were Reps. Coppola, O'Neill, Mirkin and Zelinsky. Excused was Rep. Hunter.

1. [F26.076](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Public Services - Highways; Parking Meters; to purchase and install new meters with life cycle of 20 years.      **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
\$54,735.00
- 03/28/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
04/11/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
05/06/02 – Approved 7-0-2 (\$193,275)  
05/28/02 – Committee approved 9-0-1  
06/03/02 – Returned to Committee  
06/24/02 – Committee voted to Hold 10-0-0

*Secondary Committee: Transportation*

2. [F26.106](#)      FUNDING RESOLUTION (formerly Exhibit A); amending Resolution No. 2735 to increase the appropriation by \$54,735.00.      **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
- 04/22/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
05/28/02 – Committee approved 9-0-1  
06/03/02 – Returned to Committee  
06/24/02 – Committee voted to Hold 10-0-0

3. [F26.102](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Operations – Administration; Government Center Electric; to reimburse CL&P for electrical service not recorded by a malfunctioning meter.      **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
\$167,000.00
- 04/29/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
05/09/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
05/28/02 – Committee approved 10-0-0  
06/03/02 - \$133,000 approved; balance returned to Committee  
06/24/02 – Committee voted to Hold 10-0-0

*Secondary Committee: Operations*

4. [F26.058](#)      FUNDING RESOLUTION (formerly Exhibit A); in conjunction with F26.050, Board of Education, Energy Performance Contract (Noresco).      **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**
- 02/26/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
05/28/02 – Resubmitted by Rep. Skigen  
05/28/02 – Committee approved 10-0-0

06/24/02 – Committee approved 8-0-2

5. [F26.109](#) RESOLUTION; approving an investment advisory agreement with MBIA Municipal Investors Service (contract previously submitted 9/2001); amount of contract: varies as to assets under management but not to exceed \$139,500; term of contract: 3 years.  
05/25/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/24/02 – Committee voted to Hold 9-0-0
- HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

6. [F26.110](#) \$155,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Operations; Traffic Engineering; for curb extensions and raised crosswalks for improved pedestrian safety and traffic operations at the intersection of Prospect and Forest Streets.  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/11/02 – Approved by Planning Board  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 10-0-0
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Operations*

*Waived*

A motion to waive the Secondary Committee Report was made and seconded; said motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

7. [F26.116](#) FUNDING RESOLUTION (formerly Exhibit A); in conjunction with F26.110, Operations; Traffic Engineering; Forest Street @ Prospect Street Improvements.  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 10-0-0
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

8. [F26.111](#) \$36,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant-Funded Budget); Historic Preservation; Seasonal and Office Supplies; to appropriate funds collected for historic preservation as required by state statute.  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 8-0-1
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules*

*Concur 9-0-0*

9. [F26.112](#) \$80,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Smith House; Nursing/Overtime; to fund deficit in overtime account.  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 9-0-0

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*

*Concur*

10. [F26.113](#) \$60,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant Funded Budget); Health Department; Stamford Hospital Asthma Grant; to fund data coordinator/epidemiologist for the Stamford Health Department's Asthma Program.  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*

*Concur*

11. F26.114 REVIEW; of the status of capital project and budget requests for the Old Town Hall.  
06/04/02 – Submitted by Rep. Skigen & DeLuca  
06/24/02 – Report Made

**REPORT  
MADE**

12. [F26.115](#) RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements with the State to receive a grant under the Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Program; amount of grant: \$419,250.  
06/05/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 9-0-0

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Vice Chair Owens reported that the Committee suspended its rules, by a vote of 9-1-0 (Rep. Sherer opposed) to take up the following item. Vice Chair Owens moved to suspend the rules to take up the following item; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

13. F26.117 \$1,800,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Board of Education; to close fiscal year ended 6/30/2002 without a deficit.  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/24/02 – Committee approved 9-0-1

**APPROVED  
BY MACHINE  
VOTE (33-2-2)**

Vice Chair Owens reported that this is an additional appropriation to close out the fiscal year 2001-02 without a deficit. The Committee voted 9-0-1 to approve the appropriation. Chair Owens moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Hunter stated that the budget cuts proposed by Dr. Mazzullo are very troubling, particularly following so closely on the Fiscal Committee's public hearing, where students, teachers and parents pleaded not to cut a single dime from the education budget. Now we are told there really is \$1.8 million that can be cut by job reductions. Of the 37 positions proposed to be cut, 35 are from schools with just 2 cuts to be made in the central administration. If further cuts were required, and this ratio continued to its utterly irrational conclusion, would we have a school with no teachers and no custodians but a full central staff of planners and administrators.

Rep. Hunter continued: He stated that our first priority should be teaching our children that cutting back on teaching and cleanliness but keeping administration is a misguided policy which can only lead to educational bankruptcy.

Rep. Hunter stated he has read the present school budget and finds it obscure. The chart of accounts appears to be structure for the ease of administering the school system, as it should be. However useful this chart may be to the school administration, it is incomprehensible to him, and he does not know of any member of the Board of Representatives who claims to have a full understanding of it. If the Board of Representatives, elected by the people of Stamford, and charged with overseeing the spending of their tax dollars, do not understand the format, how can it be improved in the future given this huge, so-called unforeseen, expenses in health care costs that have been thrust upon us. The media has been full of stories about escalating health costs for nearly a year.

Rep. Hunter stated that as co-chair of the Education Committee and as a member of the Fiscal Committee, I call upon the Board of Education to provide us with an audited statement for the past year (2001-02) and to recast their current and future budgets into a more standard format that could be understood by persons familiar with GASB. In this age of computers, the budget numbers and account codes can be reorganized instantly into a more standard and comprehensible format.

Rep. Hunter added that in his opinion there are too many categories and line items that could be consolidated into one line. For example on Page 65, Program 31, Buildings and Grounds, there are 21 lines of electricity-non heat, or one line per school. On Page 67, on the orange section of the budget, there are 15 lines of instructional supplies. Would it not be simpler to have one line for each category with the present budget book as a back up. Perhaps the accounts could be broken down into broad categories, such as central staff expense, exclusive of school personnel and individual school expenses. Under central staff expense, list salaries, pr expense, consulting fees, insurance, health costs, maintenance, supplies, electricity, water, etc. Schools would also be broken down in a similar manner to include salary categories, such as administrative, teaching, custodial, etc. and the operating expenses such as heat, electricity, maintenance and other appropriate categories, plus any capital expenditures for playing fields,

computers and allocated items showing where and how they are allocated. We, as Board members, could better understand where the money is being spent.

Rep. Hunter stated that the Education Committee would also like to see an organization chart by job title for the entire school system, beginning with the Superintendent of Schools and extending down to each school principal. Each school would then have its own organizational chart, beginning with the principal and showing the entire staff. Any and all consultants – be it corporate or individual service providers – should also be shown on the applicable organizational chart, including total compensation or remuneration paid to the consultant, with a dotted line from the consultant to whom they report to.

Under each job title should be the position salary and any other compensation, such as overtime, retirement benefits or any other compensation, each shown as separate line items, and totaled to show the total remuneration to that position ending in the Fiscal Year 2002.

Rep. Hunter stated it his opinion that if these formats were adopted, fiscal transparency would be much improved, and in virtually every case, greater transparency leads to greater efficiency.

Rep. Boccuzzi stated that this is a very important vote for the City of Stamford. He stated that he can't figure out how the Board of Education got into this position. Rep. Boccuzzi stated he does not see where there are any checks and balances between the elected officials and the administration of the Board of Education. The Board of Education meets every month, and it is amazing to him that they didn't know they would be short \$1.8 million. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that somebody was not doing his/her job, and steps have to be taken to find out who is not doing their job and a proper course should be taken.

Rep. Boccuzzi stated that the \$1.8 million is going to be the hardest vote he has ever had to make regarding the Board of Education. He added that the Board of Education is eliminating positions now to correct for next year, but it seems the first place they go is to the teachers. From the teachers, they go down to the teachers' aides (one of the most underpaid groups in the system), then they go to custodians, then they eliminated two people in the upper echelon. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that the Board of Education should look at the programs in effect and list them by importance and when it comes time to cut money, do away with those programs that are not serving the public. That is the way to cut the budget. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that he is disappointed that the teachers took the brunt of this cut. He added there is nothing the Board of Representatives can do, but it is time for the Board of Education and the administration to start talking with someone other than just among themselves. Evidently, because of this \$1.8 million deficit, talking to themselves didn't solve the problem. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that they need help, and this Board should get involved so that this doesn't occur again.

Rep. Boccuzzi added that he hopes that this Board, through its president, notifies the Board of Education that they are not going to be able to make these decisions by themselves, but they will have to work with the finance people in the administration when problems arise to see what can be done.

Rep. Loglisci stated that everyone agrees that this is a large problem. Interestingly enough, federal laws mandate separations so that there is not political pressures placed on the education system. Rep. Loglisci believes that they should have found out earlier, but last month the Board approved \$1.5 million in additional money in health claims for the City for catastrophic losses, and he did not hear complaints about that. Rep. Loglisci stated he is hoping that this problem will create a system where we work closer, where we look for a lot more accountability, where we can look to a process of accounting that is more readable. Rep. Loglisci stated that maybe even the staff on the Board of Education would find it more easier to find out where things are with an easier to read budget.

Rep. Loglisci stated that by not approving this appropriation, the Board would create a larger problem, and whether it likes it or not, for the good of the City and for the citizens, he will vote for the appropriation and encourages the Board to do so.

A motion to move the question was made and seconded and failed by a voice vote.

Rep. Lyons stated that no person is more upset about the current budget problems facing the Board of Education than himself. His children, along with many others, will undoubtedly suffer and be adversely affected. However, he will not let his emotional angst guide his vote on this issue. Before the Fiscal Committee, the administration, the superintendent and certain elected Board of Education members appeared, and gave outright assurances and promises to the Fiscal Committee that they were moving forward with a new working relationship with the City's respective boards and the administration of the Mayor's Office. Rep. Lyons stated he trusts the superintendent and the elected members to prove to our Board, the Board of Finance and the Mayor and all of Stamford's hard-working taxpayers that collectively they can responsibly manage the educational and fiscal duties with which they are charged. Rep. Lyons stated he will support this additional appropriation tonight for the betterment of the City's overall fiscal health and for the betterment of our school system moving forward.

The item was approved by a machine vote of 33-2-2 (See [Vote Record #278](#)).

President Martin stated that while it is not the President's prerogative to engage in the debate, however, he wanted to say that clearly a number of people on the Board have expressed to him that it is completely unacceptable to be surprised by a miss of this magnitude so late in the fiscal year such that no one is able to do anything about it. President Martin stated, in that regard, the expectation by many of the members of this Board, if not all of the members of the Board, is that there will be regular reviews by the Fiscal Committee on the status of the budget, working on making that budget and the information that supports it more transparent, and finally, in adherence to the resolutions that the Board of Education has passed, try to reduce the future potential tax impacts of this change. President Martin stated he would be putting a letter of that nature to forward to the president of the Board of Education and the superintendent of schools.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of item Nos. 4, 6-10 and 12, was approved by unanimous voice vote.



**LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: Maria C. Nakian, Chair**

(Attendance)

(Votes)

(Report)

**Jim Shapiro, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Monday, June 17, 2002

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nakian reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on June 17, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Benyus, Esposito, Fahan, Greenberg, Mitchell, Nakian, Shapiro, Spandow and Zelinsky; also present was Rep. Day.

1. LR26.012 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for Final Adoption & Public Hearing; repealing Section 40-20 relating to pensions in the Office of the Registrar of Voters. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
04/29/02 – Submitted by Rep. Skigen  
05/20/02 – Committee approved 6-0-0  
06/03/02 – Approved for Publication  
06/17/02 – Committee approved 7-0
  
2. LR26.016 RESOLUTION; amending Resolution No.2136 concerning Application for a Tax Abatement to include wording regarding the six month time limit. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
06/03/02 – Submitted by Rep. Nakian  
06/17/02 – Committee approved 9-0

*(Rep. Shapiro left the meeting at this time.)*

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 2, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Sanchia Spandow, Co-Chair**

**Mary Lisa Fedeli, Co-Chair**

~~Meeting: Wednesday, June 26, 2002~~

~~7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room~~

No meeting Held

No report.

1. P26.017 APPROVAL of one time pension adjustment for Stamford Police Pension recipients. **NO REPORT**  
03/22/02 – Submitted by Pension Board  
05/22/02 – Held in Committee  
06/03/02 – Held in Committee

**LAND USE/URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

**Patrick J. White, Co-Chair**  
**Harry Day, Co-Chair**

No report.

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**

**Bobby E. Owens, Chair**

(Attendance)

**Anthony Imbrogno, Vice Chair**

(Votes)

Meeting: Wednesday, June 19, 2002

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Owens reported that the Operations Committee met on June 19, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Coppola, Day, Hunter, Imbrogno, McDermott, O’Neill, Owens, Sherer and White. Also present was Rep. DeLuca. No one from the public appeared for the public hearing.

1. O26.015      PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for Final Adoption & Public Hearing; amending Ordinance No. 649, Secs.123-5 A and B and adding Sections C & D, to increase building fees. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
04/24/02 – Submitted by Rep. DeLuca  
05/22/02 – Committee approved 8-0-0  
06/03/02 – Approved for publication  
06/19/02 – Committee approved 9-0-0
  
2. O26.017      RESOLUTION; approving an agreement between the City of Stamford and Vollmer Associates, Inc. for inspection services at Studio Road and Buckingham Drive Bridges; amount of contract: \$246,650. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
05/31/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance  
06/19/02 – Committee approved 9-0-0
  
3. O26.018      REJECTION or MODIFICATION; of proposed automatic tipping fee increase to be effective July 15, 2002. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
06/10/02 – Submitted by Steering Committee  
06/19/02 – Committee defeated rejection or modification –0-9-0

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 through 3, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE:** **Richard Lyons II, Chair**  
*(Report)* Meeting: Thursday, June 27, 2002  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Lyons reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met on Thursday, June 27, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Lyons, Clear, Coppola, DeLuca, DePina and Mirkin; Reps. Biancardi and O’Neill were excused; Reps. Blackwell, DeLeo and Kernan were absent. Also present was Assistant Chief of Police Richard Priolo.

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| 1. <u>PS26.003</u> | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for final adoption</u> ;<br>proposed fee increases for false alarm fines and<br>establishing new fees for alarm registration and late<br>payment penalties.<br>01/10/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy<br>04/01/02 – Approved for publication<br>05/06/02 – Held in Committee<br>05/30/02 – Held in Committee<br>06/03/02 – Held in Committee<br>06/27/02 – Committee approved 6-0 (as amended) | <b>APPROVED<br/>ON CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> |
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Chair Lyons stated the Committee approved (by a vote of 6-0) the following modifications to the Ordinance:

“(1) All commercial and residential properties that are either existing or properly approved by the City for new construction are required to register that alarm system with the City of Stamford annually, said registration period shall exist for 12 consecutive months from the initial date of registration. Such registration shall have no cost for the alarm user. (2) If either the Police Department or any of the Fire Departments organized within the City of Stamford shall respond to an alarm and the property is not registered, the alarm user of record, for that location, will be fined \$90.00 for failing to register. Additionally, if the activation of the alarm is determined to be “accidental, false, mischievous, unintentional or due to faulty system performance: the alarm user will be fined \$80.00 for triggering a False Alarm. Such fine shall be issued and determined by the Alarms Administrator or an established designee. No unregistered alarm user shall be entitled to the relief referred to for First Time False Alarm Users regarding their First False Alarm. (3) All commercial and residential alarm users that are properly registered with the City of Stamford shall not be fined for their first occurrence of a False Alarm that occurs during their Annual Registration Period. All users that experience a second False Alarm or more thereafter, during the same registration period shall be fined \$80.00 for each False Alarm response or activation. (4) if a response by the Police Department or any of the Fire Departments is made and such response is deemed not to be a False

Alarm, however such location is unregistered, the Alarm User of record shall be fined \$90.00 for failing to register as required.”

The ordinance will be republished.

2. PS26.010 Resolution RESOLUTION; approving the Mutual Police Assistance Compact among the Towns of Greenwich, New Canaan, Trumbull, Weston, Westport, Wilton, Darien, Easton and the City of Norwalk.  
05/14/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
06/13/02 – Approved by Board of Finance
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 2, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

## **PARKS & RECREATION**

### **COMMITTEE:**

(Attendance)

(Votes)

**Donald B. Sherer, Co-Chair**

**Linda Cannady, Co-Chair**

Meeting: Wednesday, June 26, 2002

7:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Co-Chair Sherer reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on June 26, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Cannady, Clear, Coppola, Fedeli, Giordano, Imbrogno, Lyons, McCullen, McDermott, Sherer and White. Also present were Reps. Crowley and Zelinsky.

1. PR26.013 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for Final Adoption & Public Hearing; amending Chapter 84, Section 84-7a regarding water skiing restrictions.  
01/10/02 – Submitted by Rep. Lyons  
02/27/02 – Held in Committee  
03/04/02 – Held by Board  
04/01/02 – Held in Committee  
05/29/02 – Committee approved 7-1-0  
06/03/02 – Approved for Publication  
06/26/02 – Committee Approved 11-0-0 (as amended)
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**
2. PR26.023 RESOLUTION; amending Resolution No. 2740 re: beach access for out-of-towners to provide for a \$5 fee for second weekday access.  
06/03/02 – Submitted by Rep. Sherer  
06/26/02 – Committee approved 9-2-0
- APPROVED BY  
MACHINE  
VOTE (31-3-1)**

Co-Chair Sherer stated that the Committee erroneously didn't have a reduced second day fee for beach access. This resolution corrects that oversight. Co-Chair Sherer moved Item No. PR26.023; said motion was seconded.

The item was approved by a machine vote of 31-3-1 (See [Vote Record No. 279](#)). (Note: on Vote Record No. 279, Rep. Spandow was erroneously recorded as absent for this vote; she voted in the affirmative).

3. [PR26.024](#) RESOLUTION; amending Resolution No. 2727 concerning the Video Permit Fee to establish a fee compatible with that of surrounding towns. **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**  
06/03/02 – Submitted by S. MacKenzie  
06/26/02 – Committee approved 10-1-0

Co-Chair Sherer reported that this fee is charged to video production companies. In past years, this fee was \$150; the Parks Commission recommended \$250, and the Parks & Rec Committee made it \$500. At \$150 Stamford was the second highest in the State of Connecticut, and this high fee hurt Stamford in competing for filming. The Committee learned that a ten-day production can bring \$400,000 to the City of Stamford in terms of hotels, catering, taxes, transportation. The Committee approved a fee of \$100 which will allow some formality to the process by a vote of 10-1-0. Co-Chair Sherer moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Cannady stated that she was the vote against the item. She added that the Parks & Rec Committee had put a lot of time and effort into the fee increases. Had the Committee known this information beforehand, the Committee would not have increased it to \$500. Rep. Cannady stated she will now change her vote and concurs with the \$100 fee.

4. [PR26.025 Resolution](#) RESOLUTION; approving an agreement between the City of Stamford and the Stamford Cultural Development Corporation for the Community Arts Partnership Program; amount of contract: \$220,000 per year; term of contract: through 2006. **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
06/06/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

Co-Chair Sherer stated that this is a reduction from previous years. The contract is for a five-year term, and the Committee made it clear that the contract contains language that states that this is subject to funding each year of the five years.

5. PR26.027 REVIEW; of the City's restrictions on recreational use of coastal/waterfront areas in City Parks **REPORT MADE**  
06/05/02 – Submitted by Rep. Sherer  
06/26/02 – Report Made

Co-Chair Sherer stated that there has been a problem raised by a number of representatives who have tried to take their children fishing. Cove Island has become off limits by the ambassadors, they have been very strict in enforcing fishing restrictions. The Risk Manager and Frank Fedeli attended the Committee meeting, and the Committee learned that a lot of these rules are promulgated out-of-hand by former Superintendent Bob Cook, back in the 80's, with no formal process. The Committee also learned that Mr. Whitting believes that the ambassadors are enforcing a no-swim rule for fisherman also. Rep. Sherer stated he will work with his co-chair and perhaps the Chair of the Parks & Rec Commission to work out some simple rules.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 4, was approved by unanimous voice vote (Rep. Zelinsky abstained).

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**      **Thomas Hunter, Co-Chair**  
(Attendance)                      **Brian O'Neill, Co-Chair**  
Meeting: Tuesday, June 18, 2002  
6:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

The Co-Chair reported that the Education Committee met on June 18, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Benyus, Crowley, Day, DePina, Hunter, Mitchell, O'Neill and Zelinsky.

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| 1. <u>E26.004</u> | REVIEW; status of contract with Noresco, LLC for energy savings guarantee with the Stamford Public Schools; term of contract: until completion of work; amount of contract: \$6,100,000.<br>04/08/02 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy<br>05/09/02 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>05/21/02 – Committee approved 7-0-1<br>06/03/02 – Held in Committee<br>06/18/02 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b> |
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Co-Chair O'Neill reported that on the advice of corporation counsel, the Committee did not vote on the contract as it is a Board of Education contract.

**STATE AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Jim Shapiro, Chair**  
**John Morrow, Vice Chair**

No report.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Elaine Mitchell, Chair**

(Attendance)  
(Votes)

Meeting: Tuesday, June 18, 2002  
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

1. HCD26.06      REVIEW; of affordable housing availability in Stamford and home buying opportunities for low income households.      **NO REPORT**  
05/08/02 – Submitted by Tim Beeble  
05/21/02 – Held in Committee  
06/03/02 – Held in Committee  
06/18/02 – Held in Committee 4-0-0
  
2. HCD26.08      PROJECT; establishing a public information, educational and discussion seminar/workshop on the Hope VI Program.      **NO REPORT**  
05/28/02 – Submitted by Rep. Mitchell  
06/18/02 – Report Made

Clerk of the Board Summerville stated that Ms. Mitchell will be giving her committee report next month on the two items.

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair**  
**John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Vice Chair**  
Report  
Votes  
Meeting: Thursday, June 13, 2002  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair DeLuca reported that the Transportation Committee met on June 13, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Mirkin, Giordano, Kernan, Blackwell and Zelinsky. Also present were Transit District Members Gallup, Taccone and DeVito; Director of Operations Tim Curtin; Frank Fedeli and Jim Rubino of the Board of Finance.

1. T26.011      REVIEW; of the Transit District and the bus stop advertising contract.      **REPORT MADE**  
04/11/02 – Submitted by Reps. Mirkin & DeLuca  
06/03/02 – Held in Committee

Chair DeLuca reported that a committee report was forwarded to all members. Chair DeLuca stated that the Committee reviewed the state statutes and questioned members of the Transit District as to the use of the funds collected. The Committee will be meeting with members of the Transit District to come up with guidelines as to how the money should be spent in the future. A report of past expenditures over the last two years will be provided to the Committee by the Transit District. The Committee also told them they must comply with the Code of Ordinances, and the District members agreed to do so.

**CHARTER COMMITTEE:** Maria Nakian, Co-Chair  
(Attendance) Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Co-Chair  
(Report) Meeting: Monday, June 17, 2002  
7:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nakian reported that the Charter Committee met on June 17, 2002. Present were Committee Member Reps. Benyus, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Lyons, Nakian, Spadow and Summerville. Also present were Reps. Fahan, Loglisci, Mirkin and Zelinsky.

1. C26.001      RESOLUTION; establishing a Charter Review Commission. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
02/04/02 – Submitted by President Martin  
06/17/02 – Held in Committee
  
2. C26.002      RESOLUTION; appointment the members to a Charter Review Commission. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
02/04/02 – Submitted by President Martin  
06/17/02 – Held in Committee
  
3. C26.003      RESOLUTION; outlining the charge to the Charter Review Commission. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
02/04/02 – Submitted by President Martin  
06/17/02 – Held in Committee

Chair Nakian reported that it took about 16-18 months for the last Charter Revision Commission to complete its work. The Committee decided to aim for the 2004 election to allow adequate time and because it is a national election.

The Committee decided to immediately advertise for candidates. The Committee asks that resumes and applications be submitted by September 30. The months of October and November will be spent interviewing the candidates, and a recommendation to the full Board of commission members will happen at the December or January regular board meeting.

All the items were held.

## RESOLUTIONS

1.                    SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**  
congratulating Angel L. Gonzalez on being named Stamford’s Police Officer of the Year.  
06/11/02 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky



## **MINUTES**

1. June 3, 2002 Regular Board Meeting

**APPROVED BY  
UNANIMOUS  
VOICE VOTE**

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

1. 1. The Annual Softball game is scheduled for August 1, 2002.
2. 2. The Board picture is available for sale to any representative who wishes to purchase one.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

1. 1. Representative DeLuca inquired about several items discussed previously, including a letter to the SCDC, additional information on the City's buyout policy and the expansion of committees.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.