

MEETING OF THE 9TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
Minutes of February 6, 1967
Stamford, Connecticut

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A regular monthly meeting of the 9th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, February 6, 1967, in the Board's meeting room, Municipal Office Building, (2nd floor) 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, George E. Russell, at 8:25 P.M.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Rev. Father Michael McCormick, St. Mary's R. C. Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG: The President led the members in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE IN MEMORY OF DEPUTY FIRE MARSHAL, JOSEPH ZEZIMA, DECEASED

THE PRESIDENT asked the members to remain standing for a moment of silence in deference to the memory of the recently deceased Fire Marshal, Joseph Zezima.

PAGE FOR TRANSMITTING MESSAGES:

THE PRESIDENT announced that Rippowam High School has sent ANDY EISNER to act as a Page, and introduced him to the members at this time.

TEMPORARY CLERK:

In the absence of the Clerk, who had not arrived as yet, MRS. FRANCES C. LILLIENDAHL was elected to serve as temporary Clerk.

ROLL CALL was taken by Mrs. Lilliendahl. There were 28 present and 12 absent at the calling of the roll. However, four members arrived shortly after, changing the roll call to 32 present and 8 absent. The absent members were:

Charles R. Mitchell (D) 3rd District
William C. Hearing (R) 7th District
Patsy Arruzza (D) 9th District
Theodore C. Boccuzzi (D) 9th District
Alan F. Grant (R) 12th District
H. Alton Le Beau (R) 13th District
William P. Caporizzo (R) 15th District
Edwin D. Iacovo (R) 16th District

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES - Meeting of January 9, 1967

The Minutes were accepted, there being no corrections.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The report of the Steering Committee was presented and entered in the Minutes as follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT
Meeting held Monday, January 23, 1967

A meeting of the Steering Committee of the Board of Representatives was held on Monday, January 23, 1967, in the Board of Representatives' meeting rooms, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, George Russell, at 8:30 P.M. All members were present, with the exception of Mrs. Clarke, Dominick Mosca, Booth Hemingway, Howard Kaplan and Robert Durso. Also present was Jonathan Bennett, Chairman of the Special Committee on Public Housing and General Relocation.

- (1) Mayor's letter (dated 1/23/67) submitting 8 appointments to various City Boards and Commissions and withdrawal of one previously submitted at last Board meeting, being Harold F. Burns for appointment to the Flood & Erosion Control Board

REFERRED TO APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (2) Appointments not acted upon at the January 9, 1967 Board meeting were ORDERED ON AGENDA UNDER APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE
- (3) Additional appropriations (12) approved by the Board of Finance at their adjourned meeting held January 19, 1967, and two deferred by the Board of Representatives on 1/9/67, were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, under the FISCAL COMMITTEE

Items in excess of \$2,000 except pensions, were referred to a secondary Committee, in accordance with Rule #10 on page 5 of Rules of Order.

- (4) PROPOSED ORDINANCE (under terms of Public Act #460, 1965 Session of Legislature) - TO CREATE A STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY - (Requested in letter of 11/6/66 to Board of Representatives from Frank J. Daley, Chairman of Board of Directors, Hubbard Heights Golf Club Committee to secure a Second Golf Course) - (Held in Committee 12/5/66 and again on 1/9/67)

(Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE, as well as being in LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE, the senior Committee) - ORDERED ON AGENDA

- (5) Final adoption of Ordinance CONCERNING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO STATE OF CONNECTICUT TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC ROAD BETWEEN HIGH RIDGE ROAD AND SCOFIELDTOWN ROAD - (Mayor's letter of 12/8/66) - (Adopted for publication 1/9/67; published 1/19/67)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (6) Mayor's letter (dated 1/9/67) CONCERNING CITIZEN who came to the aid of a Police Officer on March 13, 1966 and was injured and mauled, resulting in considerable expense to himself - Requesting adoption of a resolution, approving reimbursement to this individual by directing the office of the Corporation Counsel to reimburse this man for expenses incurred as a result of giving aid.

(Above also referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE) - ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

- (7) Mayor's letter (dated 12/28/66) concerning Ordinance No. 110 establishing the HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION and setting salary for its Executive Secretary at "not to exceed \$10,000 per year" - Requesting a higher salary for this man and amendment to the Ordinance to accomplish this purpose

ORDERED ON AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE -
Also referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE and PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

- (8) Resolution concerning initiation under Chapter 64 of Charter. Directing improvements and layout of EAST CROSS ROAD (Brought in by Lynn Farnen, 18th District Representative, at a meeting of the Steering Committee held Monday, 11/21/66 and referred to the Planning & Zoning Committee) (Copies given to all Board members on 1/9/67 and held in the Planning & Zoning Committee)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

- (9) Final adoption of resolution CONCERNING ACCEPTANCE OF BIRCH STREET AND TURNER ROAD, being streets open to vehicular traffic prior to April 16, 1950 (Date of consolidation)

ORDERED ON AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE

- (10) Proposed resolution - CONCERNING THE REPLACEMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD (Introduced at the 1/9/67 Board meeting by Jonathan Bennett, 11th District Representative, under "New Business" was REFERRED TO THE FISCAL COMMITTEE and the HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not ordered on agenda

- (11) Letter (dated 1/23/67) from E. O. Lindstrom, 1st District Representative, requesting the deeding of a piece of property, located on the West side of Shippan Avenue between the Stamford Rubber Supply Co. and Lindstrom Road, approximately 4.4 acres in size, to the Park Department for Park purposes

REFERRED TO THE LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE and the PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Not ordered on agenda

- (12) Letter (dated 12/20/67) from Frederick W. Cunningham, President of Hubbard Heights Association opposing plan for "decimation of John A. Scalzi, Jr. Memorial Park for the purpose of extending Washington Avenue to Bridge Street"

REFERRED TO PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Not ordered on agenda

- (13) Carbon copy of letter (dated 1/18/67) addressed to the Mayor, from "CITIZENS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF SOUTH END" concerning request to "take immediate steps to make use of the OLD CLOONAN SCHOOL BUILDING"

NOTED AND FILED, with copy given to PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

- (14) PETITION from residents of VIRGIL STREET (81 residents) protesting alternate side of the street parking (presented by Robert Durso, 5th District Representative, on 1/9/67 and ordered held for the Steering Committee)

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (15) Letter from Anthony Masciarelli, 31 Bralley Place (dated 12/19/66) concerning unsafe and hazardous conditions caused by violations of Zoning and Traffic regulations

REFERRED TO HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (16) Letter (dated 1/6/67) from Harold Griffin, former City employee, asking for a car allowance for fiscal year 1951-1952

REFERRED TO PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Not on agenda

- (17) CONCERNING SUGGESTION TO CREATE AN ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, to be designated "HOUSING AND RELOCATION ADMINISTRATOR" - (Presented under "New Business" at the 1/9/67 Board meeting by Mr. Bennett, 11th District Representative)

REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON "PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION" - Not ordered on agenda

- (18) Letter (dated 1/4/67) from Mundy Redfern, 53 Bonner Street, concerning "LOW COST HOUSING"

REFERRED TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION - Not on agenda

- (19) Letter (dated 1/6/67) from Ralph E. Layman, Jr., 73 Chester Street, concerning TRAFFIC LIGHT AT OLD NORTH STAMFORD ROAD AND BEDFORD STREET

Above letter referred to Mr. Nathanson to answer, as this is from a resident of his District.

- (20) Letter (dated 1/16/67) from H. K. Keever, 57 Urban Street (Committee to Save the New Canaan Branch) requesting an investigation of the PARKING AUTHORITY

The Administrative Assistant was directed to answer the above letter, informing this man that the matter is already under consideration by the Steering Committee.

- (21) Letter (dated 1/17/67) from Cove Island Yacht Club, Inc. PROTESTING INCREASE IN OPEN MOORING FEES IN STAMFORD MARINAS (Previously approved by the Board at their December meeting)

The Administrative Assistant was directed to answer the above letter, explaining that this matter has already been acted upon.

- (22) Monthly Report of Department of Public Welfare for October 1966 -
Noted and filed, with copy sent to Chairman William Murphy, of the
EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

- (23) Copy of announcement of resolution adopted by the STAMFORD PTA COUNCIL on 1/19/67 urging the Board of Representatives to approve funds in amount of \$500,000.00 for NEW BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE BUILDING

Inasmuch as this matter has already been ordered placed on the agenda, no further action was taken.

- (24) Copy of letter (dated 1/21/67) addressed to Joseph Bitetto, Chairman of Public Works Committee, concerning CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1967-1968 urging approval of \$30,000 for pumping station from Indian Ridge Development Sewage Treatment Plant into new main being installed by developers of High Ridge Park - Noted and filed, as there is nothing before the Board for action.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, upon motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 P.M.

VF/ad

George E. Russell, Chairman
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:

MR. NATHANSON, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting of the Appointments Committee was held the evening of January 30, 1967 (Monday) in the Municipal Office Building. Present were Messrs. Bitetto, Buchanan, Vincent Caporizzo, Theodore Boccuzzi and the Chairman Benjamin Nathanson.

He said the following Mayor's appointments were interviewed and acted upon.

The Tellers distributed the ballots among the Board members. The vote on each appointment is recorded below:

HEALTH COMMISSION:

Term Ending:

- (1) DR. ERNEST H. WOOD (R)
2227 Shippan Avenue
(Replacing Donald Cardelle,
who resigned)

Dec. 1, 1969
(5 yr. term)

VOTE: 21 yes
9 no

Mrs. Hilda Clarke and George Connors arrived at 8:35 P.M. just before the voting began on the appointments, changing the roll call to 30 present.

PARK COMMISSION:

- (2) BRUNO GIORDANO (D)
26 High Ridge Road
(Reappointment)

VOTE: 24 yes
6 no

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

PERSONNEL COMMISSION:

- (3) WARREN W. EGINTON (I)
Brookhollow Lane
(Replacing John J. Delany III)

VOTE: 21 yes
10 no

Dec. 1, 1969
(3 yr. term)

PUBLIC WELFARE COMMISSION:

- (4) JOSEPH SILADI (R)
8 Henry Street
(Reappointment)

VOTE: 28 yes
3 no

Dec. 1, 1969
(3 yr. term)

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ZONING BOARD ALTERNATE: (Terms are staggered)

(5) FRANK CARTENBERG (R)

Den Road
(Filling out unexpired term of
Ronald Schwartz, who resigned)

VOTE: 20 yes
10 no

Dec. 1, 1969

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ALTERNATE: (Terms are staggered)

(6) CHESTER L. LEWANDOWSKI (D)

78 White Birch Lane
(Reappointment)

VOTE: 25 yes
5 no

Dec. 1, 1971
(5 yr. term)

NOTE: The reason for the apparent discrepancy in voting was that the Chairman of the Appointments Committee did not present the names as they appear on the agenda, and a member came in during the voting.

Mr. Ralph Lockhart arrived at 8:50 P.M. during the voting, changing the roll call to 31 present.

Mr. Rich also arrived shortly after, at 9:05 P.M., changing the roll call to 32 present and 8 absent. He arrived after the voting had ended.

After the arrival of the Clerk, the Temporary Clerk relinquished her seat next to the President and resumed her place at her regular desk and the Clerk took her place.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION: MORT LOWENTHAL (R) Windward Lane (Replacing Joseph Whitaker) Term Expiring Dec. 1969 (3 yr. term)

MR. NATHANSON said the Committee does not recommend approval of the above appointment, but does recommend denial.

CONCERNING MODEL OF PROPOSED VOTING MACHINE TO BE INSTALLED:

THE PRESIDENT called the attention of the members to the model on display tonight of the proposed new Voting Machine, which was demonstrated to the Board members at this time.

CONCERNING APPOINTMENTS ON AGENDA NOT ACTED UPON:

MR. KUCZO called attention to the fact that there are several names on the agenda under the Appointments Committee which have not been acted upon.

MR. NATHANSON said he has concluded his report. He explained that, as has often happened in the past, for various reasons, action was not taken on all of the appointments, some reasons being that they were not able to appear for an interview, or time did not permit, etc. He said he has reported out all of those appointments that were acted upon by his Committee.

MR. CONNORS objected, saying the Board is getting away from all of their rules, and under the Charter it states very specifically that the Mayor has the right to submit a name for appointment three times and all the Board of Representatives can do is either accept or reject these names. He said Mr. Nathanson is making his own rules as he goes along by not bringing these names on the floor for a vote.

MR. NATHANSON explained that it should be noted that the appointments being held in Committee was unanimously voted by the five members of his Committee (3 Republicans and 2 Democrats) there being no dissent by any of the members of the Committee. He said he believes that any Committee has the right to deliberate on any matter before that Committee - has the right to ask questions and the right to interview these people as well as the right to deliberation. He said they receive these names two weeks before a Board meeting and sometimes there are as many as 17 or 18 people to contact, who must appear before the Committee, be interviewed, then be discussed by the Committee, who must in turn come back to the Board with a report and recommendations. He said if Mr. Connors objects to the way the Committee is doing their work, he is welcome to attend meetings and speak to the members of the Committee. He said for him to sit here and take "pot shots" at the Committee is being very unfair. He said their meetings have lasted so long that they have been asked to leave the building because they were staying too late at night and the building had to be locked up for the night by the Custodian.

RECESS:

MR. CONNORS MOVED for a recess, at 9:07 P.M. Seconded. A VOTE WAS TAKEN on his motion and LOST.

MR. KUCZO MOVED that the name of MRS. EVA PAUL, as appointment to the Planning Board be removed from Committee. No seconder.

MR. FUSARO MOVED for a five minute recess at 9:10 P.M. Seconded. LOST.

MR. FUSARO again MOVED for a five minute recess.

THE PRESIDENT said a vote has been taken and was lost and as far as the Board is concerned the matter should be ended.

MR. KUCZO objected.

THE PRESIDENT allowed another vote to be taken on Mr. Fusaro's request for a recess, that it be reconsidered, which was seconded. CARRIED, with several "no" votes. The recess was declared over at 9:15 P.M.

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

- (1) \$500,000.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - Resolution amending 1966-1967 Capital Projects Budget, for CONSTRUCTION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE FACILITIES - (Present building needed for Urban Renewal) - (Mayor's letter of 8/5/66) - DEFERRED 9/6/66; again on 10/3/66; TABLED on 11/9/66 with 2 "no" votes; held in Committee 12/5/66 and TABLED INDEFINITELY on 1/9/67.

MR. HEMINGWAY said there is no report on the above matter.

THE PRESIDENT explained that this item is erroneously on the agenda and the next item will be taken up instead.

- (2) \$3,975.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, Code 606.0101, Bureau of Highways & Maintenance, Division of Highways, Salaries (To cover salary for position of Supervisor of Highways & Maintenance for a four month period, to end of 1966-1967 fiscal year) - (Mayor's letter of 11/21/66) (Held in Committee on 1/9/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY said the above matter is being held in Committee.

- (3) \$387.50 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Code 510.0101, Salaries (For upgrading position of Public Health Engineer from Grade S-20 to Grade S-22, \$9,750.00 effective as of January 1, 1967) - To take care of of balance of present fiscal year) - (Mayor's letter of 12/29/66)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (4) \$950.00 - CIVIL DEFENSE CORPS, covering following: (Mayor's letter of 1/5/67)

Code 560.0801 - Transportation-----	\$100.00
Code 560.1001 - Civil Defense Exercises & Drills-----	150.00
Code 560.1701 - Auto Maintenance & Operation-----	300.00
Code 560.2101 - Conventions, Conferences & Dues-----	100.00
Code 560.2501 - Uniforms-----	200.00
Code 560.2601 - Laundry & Tailoring-----	100.00
	<u>\$950.00</u>

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (5) \$1,253.53 - HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION, covering following: (Mayor's letter of 1/5/67)

*Code 192.0101 - Salaries (Covering transfer of employee at higher salary-----	\$473.53
Code 192.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph-----	250.00
Code 192.2201 - New Equipment:	
Electric Typewriter - \$450.00)	
Storage Cabinet----- 80.00)	<u>530.00</u>
*Approved by Board of Finance 1/19/67 with comment:	<u>\$1,253.53</u>

"The Commission should not have hired a Secretary at \$5,351.00 until an appropriation to cover the difference had been approved by the Boards of Finance and Representatives."

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in approval. CARRIED.

- (6) \$75.00 - PLANNING BOARD, Code 134.2102, Dues & Subscriptions (Mayor's letter of 12/12/66) - (REDUCED by Board of Finance from \$150.00 on 1/19/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (7) \$200.00 - ZONING BOARD, Code 138.0301, Stationery & Postage (Mayor's letter of 1/3/67) (Because of increased cost caused by use of Xerox machine)

- (8) \$55.00 - ZONING BOARD, Code 138.0501, Telephone & Telegraph (Mayor's letter of 1/3/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above ^{two} requests. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (9) \$150.00 - ZONING BOARD, Code 138.0104, Overtime (Mayor's letter of 1/3/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (10) \$21,000.00 - FERGUSON LIBRARY, Code 122.0000, Operation of new Turn-of-River Branch - (Mayor's letters of 12/22/66 and 1/10/67) - REDUCED by Board of Finance on 1/19/67 from requested \$40,910.00, which included a 5% general salary increase for the Library staff)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Murphy, who stated that his Committee, the Education, Welfare & Government Committee, concurred in recommending approval. CARRIED.

- (11) \$131.04 - PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, Code 118.0101, Salaries - (Covering reclassification of Steno-Typist II to Secretary S-9, effective 12/2/66, covering salary increase from \$4,875 to \$5,050 per annum) - (Mayor's letter of 1/5/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the above request. Seconded by Mr. Rybnick, who said the Personnel Committee concurs in recommending approval. CARRIED.

- (12) \$1,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, Code PP 510.0602, Laboratory Supplies (Mayor's letter of 1/12/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED FOR approval of the above request. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (13) \$36,000.00 - COMMITTEE ON TRAINING & EMPLOYMENT, Special Account #108.2408 (Because of cut-back from Regional Office of O.E.O. and need to continue program through 6/30/67) (Mayor's letter of - not dated)

MR. MORRIS MOVED TO TABLE the above matter. He read a letter from a Mr. Dyer of the Office of O.E.O. explaining the reasons why this appropriation was not extended to the end of the fiscal year. He said he does not believe the City of Stamford should try to carry on the programs initiated by the Federal Government and which they do not see fit to appropriate money for. The motion was seconded by several members.

MR. MURPHY said he had not had a chance to give his Committee report on the above request.

THE PRESIDENT told him that a motion to TABLE takes precedence, and called for a voice vote. There being some doubt, a MOTION was made by Mr. Morris calling for a ROLL CALL VOTE. Seconded by several members and CARRIED.

THE CLERK called the roll on the motion TO TABLE item #13, which was CARRIED by the following vote of 18 in favor and 13 opposed, the President not voting:

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF TABLING

BENNETT, Jonathan (R)
BUCHANAN, William (R)
CAPORIZZO, Vincant (D)
CASALE, Louis (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
CLARKE, Hilda (R)
CONNORS, George (D)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
HEINZER, Charles (R)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
DURSO, Robert (D)
FARMEN, Lynn (R)
FUSARO, John (D)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
KAPLAN, Howard (D)
KARL, Frederick (R)

KELLY, Stephen (D)
 KUCZO, Paul (D)
 LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
 LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
 LONGO, Carmine (D)
 MORRIS, Thomas (R)
 MOSCA, Dominick (R)
 NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
 ROGERS, Randolph (R)

LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
 MURPHY, William (D)
 RICH, John (R)
 RYBNICK, Gerald (D)

- (14) \$9,475,000.00 - Resolution No. 511, authorizing the issuance of \$9,475,000.00 of General Obligation Coupon Bonds of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, to finance Capital Projects in the Capital Projects Budget for the Fiscal Year 1966-1967 to be Financed with Funds Raised by Borrowing - (Mayor's letter of 1/11/67)

MR. HEMINGWAY MOVED for approval of the following resolution, which he read at this time. Mr. Farman seconded the motion, which was CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 511

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NINE MILLION FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$9,475,000.00) GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, TO FINANCE THE CAPITAL PROJECTS IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1966-1967 TO BE FINANCED WITH FUNDS RAISED BY BORROWING.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 630 of the Charter of the City of Stamford, as amended, the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford has received a letter from the Mayor dated January 11, 1967, requesting it to authorize the issuance of bonds to finance all of the Capital Projects contained in The Capital Budget for the fiscal year 1966-1967, as amended, as are to be financed with funds raised by borrowing; and

WHEREAS, this Board has been furnished with a certified copy of a resolution of the Board of Finance approving the afore said authorization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT:

1. That there be and hereby is authorized, under and pursuant to the Charter of the City of Stamford and any other general or special statutes thereto enabling, the issuance and sale from time to time of general obligation, coupon, serial bonds of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, in the aggregate principal amount of Nine Million Four Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$9,475,000.00) for the purpose of paying for Capital Projects consisting of the several public improvements or other municipal works of a permanent character, or for land taken for the purpose of such improvements or municipal works, all as hereinafter more fully described. Each of said Capital Projects is included in The Capital Budget for the fiscal year 1966-1967, as amended, duly adopted, and reference is hereby made to the said The Capital Budget, as amended, for a complete description of the particular Capital Projects hereinafter designated. The said Capital Projects and the extent to which they are to be financed with the proceeds of the bonds herein authorized are as follows:

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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Sanitary Sewer Construction:

Extension of Sanitary Sewers- South of Parkway and Sewage Treatment Plant Addition-----	\$2,000,000	
Wardwall Street -----	10,000	
Selleck St. & Brown House Road-----	75,000	
		\$2,085,000

Storm Drain Construction:

Euclid Avenue-----	30,000
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Highway Construction:

Washington Avenue Extension -----	225,000
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New Construction:

Incinerator Unit -----	\$ 100,000	
Sewage Treatment Plant Addition-----	100,000	
Construction of a Multi-Purpose Incinerator-----	550,000	750,000

Flood Control Construction:

Hurricane Protection	1,030,000	\$4,125,000
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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Board of Education Construction:

Glooman Jr. High School -----	\$ 430,000	
Rice School Replacement -----	1,250,000	
Stamford High, Mod. & Addition -----	2,425,000	
Elementary School-----	25,000	
Urban Elementary School-----	225,000	\$4,355,000

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Urban Redevelopment Construction:

Southeast Quadrant -----	1,000,000
	<u>\$9,475,000</u>

2. That said bonds shall be issued in the name of and upon the full faith and credit of the City of Stamford, and shall be issued as four separate bond issues, and, subject to the Charter of the City of Stamford and other applicable provisions of law, in the manner and in the principal amounts that the Board of Finance may determine from time to time, including, but without limitation, the determination of the form, date, dates of payment of principal and interest and all other particulars, and said Board of Finance, or, if authorized by the Board of Finance, the Commissioner of Finance, may determine the rate or rates of interest which the said bonds are to bear.

3. That each of the Capital Projects hereinabove described and contained in The Capital Budget for the fiscal year 1966-1967, as amended, is hereby confirmed as a duly authorized Capital Project.

4. That, with respect to the issuance of any bonds hereinabove authorized, there be and hereby is authorized, under and pursuant to Section 630.1 of the Charter of the City of Stamford, the Connecticut General Statutes and any other enabling authority in amendment thereof, or in addition thereto, but within such limitations, if any, as may be imposed by resolution of the Board of Finance, the making of a temporary loan or loans, by the issuance and sale, from time to time, as funds may be required, of a temporary note or notes of the City of Stamford in anticipation of the moneys to be derived from the sale of such bonds for designated Capital Projects and the renewal of the same by the issuance and sale of a renewal temporary note or notes; provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of temporary notes or renewal notes at any one time outstanding shall never exceed the principal amount of the bond issue in anticipation of which such notes were issued.

5. That this resolution shall take effect immediately, and all resolutions, or parts of resolutions, in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

MR. RICH, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said the Committee met in the Board Caucus Room on Monday, January 30, 1967 at 8:00 P.M. with the following members present: Messrs. Bromley, Kaplan, Murphy and Rich. Also present were Mr. Frank J. Daley and members of the Hubbard Heights Golf Club, and the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, P. Wardham Collyer.

- (1) PROPOSED ORDINANCE (under terms of Public Act #460, 1965 Session) - TO CREATE A STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY - (Requested in letter of 11/6/66 to Board of Representatives, from Frank J. Daley, Chairman of Board of Directors, Hubbard Heights Golf Club Committee to secure a Second Golf Course) (Held in Committee 12/5/66 and 1/9/67)

MR. RICH MOVED to WAIVE the reading of the proposed Ordinance, seconded and CARRIED.

MR. RICH MOVED to approve, for publication, of the following proposed Ordinance; seconded and CARRIED:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

ESTABLISHING THE STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

The Code of General Ordinances of Stamford, Connecticut, be amended by adding thereto the following new chapter, to read as follows:

THE STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY

1. PURPOSE

There is hereby created, in accordance with the provisions of public act No. 460 of the 1965 General Assembly an Authority known as THE STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY for the purposed of acquiring, constructing, operating, maintaining and managing a project or projects, as defined in said enabling act relating to golf courses.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION1. The name of the Authority

THE STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY
Address: 451 Stillwater Road
Stamford, Connecticut

2. The Authority is created under provisions of public act No. 460 of the 1965 General Assembly.
3. The name of each participating political subdivision City of Stamford, a municipal corporation under the laws of the State of Connecticut.
4. The persons designated as the first members of the Authority, whose names, addresses and terms of office shall appear in this Ordinance upon its final enactment, shall be appointed by the Board of Representatives upon nomination by the Mayor.
5. Purposes.

The Stamford Golf Authority is created for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, operating, maintaining and managing a project or projects as defined in public act No. 460 of the 1965 General Assembly, relating to public golf courses and parking facilities and other facilities for the public convenience in connection therewith, including all buildings, structures and other facilities for the public convenience and appurtenances thereto, which the Authority may deem necessary and desirable, together with all property, real or personal, rights, easements and interests which may be acquired by the Authority for the construction, improvement and operation of any of the foregoing.

6. The powers of the Authority shall be exercised by a commission consisting of nine (9) members, who shall be appointed by the Board of Representatives, upon nomination by the Mayor of the City of Stamford. Except for the original appointments, the Board of Representatives shall appoint three (3) members each year, on January 1st, to serve for a term of three (3) years or until his successor is appointed and qualified, except that the original appointment shall consist of three (3) commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1968, three (3) commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1969 and three (3) commissioners to serve until January 1st, 1970.
7. The Commission shall organize and operate in conformity with the provisions of Section 3 of the enabling act.
8. The Authority shall perform such duties and have such powers and privileges as are, or may be imposed, by public act No. 460 of the 1965 General Assembly and any amendments thereto.
9. The Commission shall file a written report of its doings, its income and expenditures annually on or about January 15th of each year with the Mayor, Board of Finance and Board of Representatives.

10. Definitions.

The definitions in Section 1 of Public Act 460 of the 1965 General Assembly and any amendments thereto shall, so far as applicable, govern the construction of the provisions of this chapter.

11. Effective date.

This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its enactment.

- (2) Final adoption of Ordinance CONCERNING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO STATE OF CONNECTICUT TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC ROAD BETWEEN HIGH RIDGE ROAD AND SCOTFIELDTOWN ROAD - (Mayor's letter of 12/8/66)
(Adopted for publication 1/9/67; published 1/19/67)

MR. RICH MOVED for the following Ordinance for final approval, seconded by Mr. Farman and others and CARRIED:

ORDINANCE NO. 135 SUPPLEMENTAL

CONCERNING CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY FROM CITY OF STAMFORD TO STATE OF CONNECTICUT TO PERMIT CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC ROAD BETWEEN HIGH RIDGE ROAD AND SCOTFIELDTOWN ROAD

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

In conformity with Section 488 of the Stamford Charter and notwithstanding any provisions of Chapter 2, Sections 2-24 to 2-27, inclusive, of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford, the conveyance from the City of Stamford to the State of Connecticut of the following described property:

ALL THOSE CERTAIN pieces, parcels or tracts of land located in the City of Stamford, County of Fairfield and State of Connecticut and designated as "Parcels 'B' 8.551 ac. 'C' 0.418 ac. 'D' 0.214 ac. 'E' 0.295 ac. and the land running from West to East designated as 'proposed road' extending from Scofieldtown Road to a terminus at Parcel 'B' and the F. A. Bartlett property line, conveyed to the State of Connecticut" on a certain map entitled "City of Stamford Map of a Portion of Sunset Home Property Located on Scofieldtown Road Conveyed to the State of Connecticut for the Purpose of Erecting Thereon The Stamford Branch of the University of Connecticut, November 1958, Scale 1" = 100', Charles W. White, City Engineer" which map is on file in the Office of the Town and City Clerk in Stamford

is hereby authorized.

The Mayor of the City of Stamford is hereby authorized and empowered to act for the City of Stamford and to execute and deliver all documents necessary to transfer title to such above described property to effect the conveyance aforesaid.

This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its enactment.

- (3) Mayor's letter (dated 1/9/67) CONCERNING CITIZEN who came to the aid of a Police Officer on March 13, 1966 and was injured and maulled, resulting in considerable expense to himself - A request to reimburse this individual by adoption of a resolution directing the office of the Corporation Counsel to reimburse this man for expenses incurred as a result of giving aid

MR. RICH said his Committee recommends the adoption by the Board of the following resolution and SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED unanimously:

RESOLUTION NO. 512

CONCERNING APPROVAL OF REIMBURSEMENT OF INDIVIDUAL WHO
AIDED A POLICE OFFICER ON MARCH 13, 1966, BEING INJURED
IN PERFORMING SUCH AID

WHEREAS, it occurs too often that private citizens turn their backs on the commission of crimes and fail to assist those in need, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arthur N. Frank, a citizen of Stamford, on the night of March 13, 1966, came to the aid of a uniformed officer of the Stamford Police Department who was being assaulted by several persons, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank suffered injury to his body and damage to his clothing while assisting the officer, and

WHEREAS, the City has no legal obligation to reimburse Mr. Frank for his medical and other expenses incurred thereby, and there is little, if any, possibility of Mr. Frank's recovering from his assailants,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT

The Mayor is urged to take the necessary steps to see that Mr. Frank is appropriately reimbursed from City funds for his medical and other expenses incurred in this incident, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT

This Board express to Mr. Frank the sentiment of the community that he is to be commended for his unselfish act of civic responsibility, and thanked for his public-spirited conduct in assisting a police officer to carry out his duty.

- (4) Mayor's letter (dated 12/28/66) concerning Ordinance No. 110 establishing the HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION and setting salary for its Executive Secretary at "not to exceed \$10,000.00 per year" - Requesting a higher salary for this man and an amendment to the Ordinance to accomplish this purpose

MR. RICH said the Committee discussed this matter with the Chairman of the Human Rights Commission, P. Wardham Collyer and recognizes the inconsistency of this one official salary being stipulated by ordinance and recommends for publication the following amendment to Ordinance No. 110 Supplemental:

(PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE)
CONCERNING AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 110 SUPPLEMENTAL

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Paragraph 5(g) of Ordinance No. 110 Supplemental, titled "An Ordinance Establishing a Commission on Human Rights for the City of Stamford" be amended by the deletion of the words:

"-----at an annual salary not to exceed \$10,000
per year-----"

This Ordinance shall take effect from the date of its enactment.

MR. RICH MOVED for approval of the above amendment to Ordinance No. 110 Supplemental, for publication. Seconded by Mr. Hemingway and others.

MR. RICH explained that his Committee debated this at some length and while they understand why the salary was stipulated in the Ordinance at the time of its adoption, they also realize that in years to come the stipulation of any particular salary for any job is unrealistic in the light of what happens to the economy generally and salaries in particular. He said whether or not this is the proper salary or not, the Committee considered, not the dollar amount, but the fact that this is the only public official of Stamford whose salary is so stipulated.

He said that we all know, by "Collective Bargaining" many salaries in the City were changed last year and may be changed this year, and those salaries which are not subject to the "Collective Bargaining" Act are incorporated in the Operating Budget of this City which the Board of Representatives considers annually. He said the Board has the power to change some of those salaries downward, which is our only privilege in this area, and it is the feeling of the Legislative & Rules Committee that this official's salary should be subject to the same kind of control as that of many other City officials.

MR. MORRIS spoke against publication of the proposed Ordinance. He said when this man was hired a couple of years or so ago, he was anxious to have the job, which carried a raise of about \$3,500 over the job he then held. At that time there was a reason and the Legislative & Rules Committee drew up this Ordinance and incorporated that the salary should not go above \$10,000 which everyone felt was quite adequate. He said to now, two years later, remove this top limit and keep adding to this job is not fair to other City employees. He pointed out that the City employs Engineers with a tremendous amount of experience working for the City, who do not get a salary anywhere near this amount. He said if we keep increasing this, ever higher, that it will create future problems and it is up to this Board to watch their fiscal responsibilities, because they also owe a great deal of responsibility to keep the taxpayer's taxes within reason, as they now are just about as high as they can go, leaving the Boards responsible for appropriating money in a position where they will have to seek other means to raise taxes in order to meet demands for many things the City needs in order to operate. He said many small home owners are really hurting now, because of ever increasing tax burdens.

MR. LOCKHART asked if Mr. Rich spoke in terms of increasing the salary, or did he make the statement that this was unusual according to the policy of fixing salaries at a certain limit.

MR. RICH said they were merely recommending that the salary stipulation be taken out of the Ordinance - that they said nothing about increasing it, leaving it the same - but merely eliminating any reference to the salary.

MR. MORRIS said he does not think anyone is quite so foolish as to think that the removal of this \$10,000 limit to the salary isn't intended as a step towards increasing the salary - otherwise there would be no reason to remove it from the Ordinance as it is now stipulated. He said there is no question but the reason for removing any reference to salary is because the intent is to increase it still higher.

MR. CASALE quoted from the Mayor's letter of 12/28/66 - the 6th paragraph down:

"We plan to submit a budget for the year 1967-1968 which includes a higher salary scale for the Executive Secretary of the Commission."

He said that would remove any doubt as to the reason behind amending the Ordinance, because once the salary limit is removed, they will come right back in and ask for more money.

MR. FUSARO said he believes the previous speakers are referring to the task of this Board - to cut the budget, if and when necessary. He said he feels that there are checks and balances that are controlled by this Board and by the Board of Finance - that if the Board of Finance approves an increase and this Board does not agree and feels it is not warranted, they may then cut it down. He said he does not feel it is right to hamstring any City Board or Commission by setting a top limit for salaries by Ordinance and is improper. He said he feels that the time to object to any salary increase is at the time when the increase is requested.

MR. HEINZER said perhaps that would then be the proper time to amend the Ordinance.

MR. HEMINGWAY said the Fiscal Committee feels the discussion is not pertinent - that it is purely a matter as to whether that Ordinance keeps the \$10,000 salary limitation in it - that this Board has full control over all salaries in the City as such time as they may be proposed to this Board for approval.

MR. RYBNICK, Chairman of the Personnel Committee, reported for his Committee and said they have a minority report which will be given by Mr. Chirimbes.

MR. CHIRIMBES said at the time the Ordinance was adopted and this Commission was created, it was assumed that the salary was more than adequate for the type of work that would be done. He said at that time there were limitations as to the amount of money that this Commission should receive in order to operate. He said from what he reads in the paper it is reported "The Human Rights Commission reports 179 complaints." He said this is specific and in the light of what the duties of the Commission are, it seems that the salary is quite adequate for the type of work being done.

MR. ROGERS MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. MORRIS said he had requested the President before Mr. Rybnick spoke, to ask a question.

THE PRESIDENT said this was correct - that he told him to wait until Mr. Rybnick spoke.

MR. MORRIS said he wants to ask a question - isn't it possible that when the Budget is adopted all salaries may be grouped together.

MR. HEMINGWAY said they might lump the salaries together in the budget, but there would be an explanation as to how the money was allocated - so much for this job and so much for another and at that time there would be a chance to discuss any particular salary.

THE PRESIDENT reminded the members that the QUESTION has been moved and a vote must now be taken on the motion itself.

MR. LOCKHART MOVED for a roll call vote. As more than one-fifth of those present signified their approval, this was done.

The Clerk called the roll. LOST by a vote of 15.yes, 16 no with one abstention.

(NOTE: See Section 202.2 of Charter - Also see Rule #3 under "Voting" of Board rules)

THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR

BOCCUZZI, John (D)
BROMLEY, Robert (R)
CAPORIZZO, Vincent (D)
CLARKE, Hilda (R)
DURSO, Robert (D)
FARMEN, Lynn (R)
FUSARO, John (D)
HEMINGWAY, Booth (R)
KAPLAN, Howard (D)
KARL, Frederick (R)
LOCKHART, Ralph (D)
MURPHY, William (D)
NATHANSON, Benjamin (R)
RICH, John (R)
RYBNICK, Gerald (D)

THOSE VOTING IN OPPOSITION

BENNETT, Jonathan (R)
BITETTO, Joseph (R)
BUCHANAN, William (R)
CASALE, Louis (R)
CHIRIMBES, Peter (R)
CONNORS, George (D)
DOMBROSKI, Edward (D)
HEINZER, Charles (R)
KELLY, Stephen (D)
KUCZO, Paul (D)
LILLIENDAHL, Frances (R)
LINDSTROM, Edwin (R)
MORRIS, Thomas (R)
MOSCA, Dominick (R)
ROGERS, Randolph (R)
RUSSELL, George (R)

ABSTAINED:

LONGO, Carmine (D)

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:

MR. BITETTO, Chairman, presented his Committee report. He said a meeting was held on Tuesday, January 31, 1967 in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, with the following present: Messrs. Bitetto, Buchanan, Casale, Dombroski, Heinzer, Longo and Commissioner of Public Works Ferrara. He said Mr. Kelly was excused.

- (1) Letter (dated 1/3/67) from Hubbard Heights Association concerning WASHINGTON AVENUE EXTENSION THROUGH SCALZI PARK

MR. BITETTO reported the above matter is still in the planning stage and when plans are completed a public hearing will be held and the organization notified at that time.

- (2) OLD CLOONAN JR. HIGH SCHOOL - NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITY PROGRAM

MR. BITETTO said a meeting was held on 1/17/67 in the Mayor's office and discussion of procedure to be followed in regard to filing of application to the Housing Urban Redevelopment for Federal funds. He said when the application is completed and submitted, letters will be sent to both Connecticut Senators and Representatives of our 4th Congressional District, asking for their support in order to expedite the application through HUD from their offices in Washington, D. C.

(3) Concerning Vandalism in OLD CLOONAN SCHOOL

MR. BITETTO said a resolution was drawn up for presentation to the Board for their approval. HE MOVED for adoption of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Nathanson. The resolution follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 513

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that some protection must be given to the Old Cloonan Jr. High School building, which is fast falling into a state of disrepair, due to vandalism,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives that the Mayor of the City of Stamford institute an immediate request to the appropriate City Boards for emergency funds to preserve the property value of the Old Cloonan Jr. High School property by providing adequate closing of all openings in order to prevent further vandalism and to provide 24 hour guard service.

VOTE taken on the above resolution. CARRIED, unanimously.

(4) Concerning proposed amendment to SEWER CODE

MR. BITETTO said the above matter is awaiting word from three City Boards and a decision of the Sewer Commission.

MR. MORRIS said he would like to ask several questions of the Chairman with the President's permission, which was given.

MR. MORRIS said it is his understanding that a private sewer line is being put down High Ridge Road and since the Sewer Code has not been changed, is this legal?

MR. BITETTO said he is well aware of the contract that has been negotiated with the High Ridge Development Corporation and the City has, through the Corporation Counsel, the Sewer Commission and the Public Works Department, and they have agreed to allow this extension of the sewer line because of a problem of sewage disposal at this development. Also, he said the City will pick up Willard School, Turn-of-River School and it will tie in with the High Ridge Development Corporation sewer line. He said this expense will be borne by the High Ridge Development Corporation; however, the City will pay the expense of tying into this line.

MR. MORRIS asked if "tying in" means to tie into the main sewer line and that's all we pay. He said he also would like to ask a third question. He said Indian Ridge was passed by the Public Works as being a sanitary system within itself, was supposed to have been approved by the City of Stamford and now there appears to be

a "bad condition" there. He said he would assume that something went wrong on what the City approved. He said they may have built a private sewer line, but the City has to dispose of the sewage.

MR. BITETTO said first of all he would like to clearly state for the people who are not aware of the Sewer Code amendment, part of which we have under our present Ordinance - we are taking into consideration that upon completion of any private extension of a sewer line, it will revert back to the municipal sewer system, and as such become the property of the City of Stamford and in charge of the proper Board, which would be the Public Works Department.

He said the item of any person, or group of persons tying into this line upon its completion, will also come under the jurisdiction of the Sewer Commission, who will place them in the C.S. District.

MR. KAPLAN said he also would like to ask Mr. Bitetto a question, through the Chair. He said the sewer line which is being discussed is right now in front of his door, which is being built very fast and efficiently. He said it appears as somewhat inefficient to have a public street ripped up for sewer lines in order to service a very limited area, when eventually the entire High Ridge area, which includes a large portion of Mr. Bitetto's and his District (who do not yet have sanitary sewers) and yet, in spite of this, they are presently ripping up a public street to install a private sewer line to connect to the Indian Ridge development and are going past the District that has no City sewers whatsoever. He said he would like to know if any effort is being made to make this line adequate to some day handle City sewerage from the District which surrounds it, or whether this ripping up of the streets will have to be re-done if they ever install permanent sewer lines on High Ridge Road.

MR. MORRIS said we are talking about a "proposed sewer code" and then all of a sudden we find out that this is conforming to an amendment to the Code which we have never passed, which is very confusing. He said this is a private sewer line and Mr. Bitetto is quoting from a "proposed amendment to the sewer Code" that the City will NOW, after its completion take over the private sewer.

He said people who live on High Ridge Road CAN NOT tap into this private sewer line, at least in many places, because it is a HIGH PRESSURE LINE. He said he does not think this is right, because we have a PROPOSED amendment to the Sewer Code and now we find ourselves acting under the proposed sewer code, which has not been adopted. He said he thinks we should get some answers on this. He said it happens to be an eight inch line which will not be adequate to handle the rest of the people, because it is a high pressure line and the average home owner cannot tap into it. He said something doesn't seem right.

MR. HEMINGWAY said it is his understanding that this 8 inch line is tying in to Rippowam School and thereabouts into a line which probably doesn't have all the capacity it should have to carry the maximum capacity of the 8 inch line.

THE PRESIDENT said it appears from all this that it will be up to Mr. Bitetto's Committee to try and gather together some very important answers unless he wants to try and answer some of them now.

MR. BITETTO said he is at liberty to answer them right now. He said it is his understanding that the Corporation Counsel looked into the legality of all this from the standpoint of all the questions being asked as to whether or not this sewer would be adequate for other people who are in the area - he says

he would say the answer is "no". He said he asked this question and was told that the sewer which will service this area is coming along at a later date, when the City has enough funds to be able to provide a sewer in this area, and at that time, the sewer now being built will be replaced.

MR. MORRIS said what he is getting at is at that time - some future date - the City will REPLACE a sewer which these private people are now installing. He said this doesn't quite make sense.

He said he should have listened to Mr. Rich and forgotten about the amendment to the Sewer Code which, incidentally, was NEVER adopted. And, now, he said, we are speaking about an amendment to the Sewer Code which has never passed, which certainly is not quite legal. He said he would like to know why these people in a private development such as Indian Ridge can have the advantage over other taxpayers who have been waiting for sewer lines for a long time along this High Ridge Road, and then to find out, once it has been installed, that people living along this private sewer line will not be able to tap into it. He said and then for the City to take over a private sewer line is ridiculous, especially when it is not serving the citizens of Stamford - and then the City will have to dig it up, repair it, etc. He said for an inadequate sewer line to tie in to Stamford's sewer lines just doesn't make sense. He said he will send a letter to Mr. Bitetto and hopes he will bring in a complete and full report and he will give him time to get the answers.

MR. DURSO said it is his understanding that the requirements of this private line would have been very well met by installing a four inch line, but to suit the requirements of the City, they have made it an eight inch line instead. He said not to forget that these people are putting this line in at their own expense, with absolutely NO expense to the City whatsoever, and the City, in turn, by negotiating the way they have, have the opportunity, in the event that the private sewage disposal plant that Indian Ridge has should become inadequate, they have the opportunity to run up Bradley Place and tie into this eight inch forced main which did not cost the City anything. He said this also includes the possibility of the Turn-of-River School tying into this line. He said he thinks it is an asset to the City.

MR. MORRIS said he wants an answer to this, because just suppose that everyone decides they want to put in a private sewer line and then later on have the City of Stamford take it over and assume all responsibility for it. He said just where would this put the average person who owns a home, because he can't tap into high pressure lines. He said he will write a letter and present all the questions he would like to have answered.

MR. NATHANSON said he would like to know who gave permission - or who made the "deal". He said it seems as if permission should have been obtained from the Board of Representatives before going ahead and making a "deal" of this scope. He said to his knowledge this has never been brought before the Board of Representatives and that is why he wants to know who authorized this to be done.

MR. BITETTO said this so-called "deal" was a contract negotiated by the City in conjunction with the High Ridge Park Development Corporation and the "City" means the Sewer Commission, the Public Works Department and also the Corporation Counsel.

MR. NATHANSON quoted from Sec. 26 paragraph 4 of the Code of General Ordinances, (page 323): "The Sewer Commission shall have no authority with respect to the sewer system of the City in operation on January 1, 1951, unless and until the Board of Representatives, by resolution, shall grant such authority." He said it seems very strange that such a deal could have been made without first getting the permission of this Board.

MR. BITETTO said he would like to ask Mr. Nathanson if he is reading from the "new Sewer Code" or is he reading from the "old Sewer Code". He said some of this has been amended by the adoption of the "new Sewer Code".

THE PRESIDENT informed the members that since they are talking about an item that is not presently before the Board, he would suggest that we wait until next month to get these answers from Mr. Bitetto.

MR. BITETTO said he wants to make a statement to "clear the air". He said all the information he was not able to give tonight will be forthcoming, but in the good judgement of the people who are responsible for this thing, they feel it is a qualified thing and in the best interests of the problems that are there, as far as the City's responsibilities are concerned.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (No report given)

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

- (1) Final adoption of Resolution No. 514 CONCERNING ACCEPTANCE OF BIRCH STREET AND TURNER ROAD, BEING STREETS OPEN TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC PRIOR TO APRIL 16, 1950 (date of consolidation of town and city) - (Published 1/12/67)

MR. MOSCA MOVED for approval of the following resolution, which received prior publication as to the intent of accepting these streets on January 12, 1967. Seconded and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 514

CONCERNING ACCEPTANCE OF BIRCH STREET AND TURNER ROAD, BEING STREETS OPEN TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC PRIOR TO APRIL 16, 1950
(Date of consolidation of town and city)

BE AND IT HEREBY IS RESOLVED by the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, that said Board, by its proposed and published resolution of January 9, 1967, accepts the following named streets and highways, which were open to vehicular traffic prior to April 16, 1950 as public streets and highways:

BIRCH STREET - Extending from Weed Avenue westerly to Waterbury Avenue; length approximately 291 feet. Map No. 3841 on file in Town and City Clerk's office.

TURNER ROAD - Extending from Sherwood Road westerly to Dann Drive; length approximately 378 feet. Map No. 4135 on file in Town and City Clerk's office.

- (2) Resolution No. 515 Concerning Initiation (first step) Under Chapter 64 of Charter, DIRECTING IMPROVEMENTS AND LAYOUT OF EAST CROSS ROAD (Introduced by Lynn Farnen, 18th District Representative, at Steering Committee meeting held 11/21/66 and referred to Planning & Zoning Committee)

THE PRESIDENT explained that this is a very lengthy resolution and all members have been furnished with the step-by-step procedure as outlined in Chapter 64 of the Charter. He said this is a typical resolution which has gone through this Board many times in the past and merely requests the Mayor to start in motion to get the Public Works Department to gather together figures to find out what it will cost to bring this road up to acceptance and the next step is to get the residents together to let them know what it will cost, which meeting is held by the Commissioner of Finance. At that time, they will decide whether or not to go ahead with the work.

MR. MOSCA MOVED for adoption of the following resolution. Seconded by Mr. Rich and CARRIED:

RESOLUTION NO. 515

CONCERNING INITIATION, UNDER CHAPTER 64 OF CHARTER, DIRECTING
IMPROVEMENTS TO BE CARRIED OUT ON EAST CROSS ROAD

BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF STAMFORD:

That it is the opinion of the Board of Representatives that the public health, safety, welfare, convenience and necessity require the construction and layout of the highway known as EAST CROSS ROAD, in conformity with the specifications set forth in Ordinance No. 79 Supplemental of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that it is the intention of the Board of Representatives, with the approval of the Mayor, to construct and layout said highway, together with any curbing, drainage or other incidental installations required to carry out said project pursuant to the powers granted it under Section 640 of the Charter of the City of Stamford; and

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and is hereby requested to direct the Department of Public Works to do the preliminary engineering work, including preparation of surveys, plans, profiles, specifications and estimates of the total cost of the improvement and to submit a report thereon to the Commissioner of Finance, who shall make estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken and of the amounts of the benefits or damages which should be assessed against or in favor of each piece of property affected; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to submit a report thereon to the Board of Representatives; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that approximately _____ per cent (%) of the cost of the work and improvements as aforesaid shall be assessed against the properties benefited thereby; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that all necessary and requisite steps be taken toward the construction and layout of said highway, curbing, drainage and incidental installations in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 64 of the Charter of the City of Stamford.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: - (No report)PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

MR. RYBNICK presented the following report and asked that it be inserted in the Minutes:

The regular monthly meeting of the Personnel Commission was held January 23, 1967 in the office of the Personnel Director, 429 Atlantic Street, at 8:00 P.M. Present were: John J. Delany, Chairman, Charles E. Hoyt, Leo D. Burns and John F. McCutcheon.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and unanimously accepted as presented, on motion by Commissioner Delany, seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Public Works Commissioner George Ferrara and John Strat, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, appeared to substantiate reclassification requests for Michael DeAngelis from Laborer I W-8 to Maintenance Tradesworker II (painter) salary grade W-15, and Pasquale Caporizzo, from Laborer I W-8 to Maintenance Tradesworker II (mason) salary grade W-15. Mr. Ferrara was strongly in favor of approving both reclassifications, as he stated these men are performing their duties in a most skilled and satisfactory manner which many times enables the City to do without the hiring of outside contractors. Deferred to Executive Session.

Mr. Ferrara and the Commission discussed the need for creating the position of Laboratory Technician. Mr. Ferrara stated that not having its own Technician, the City is unable to use its own laboratory to perform the necessary testing and analyzing of sewage disposal and other related laboratory work necessary. This work has to be sent to outside laboratories until the position is filled. Deferred to Executive Session.

Dr. Costanzo (Health Director) appeared, to discuss reclassification request for Devitt Post from Sanitarian to a new position of Chief Food Sanitarian. According to the doctor, Mr. Post's assignment is mainly on restaurant inspections and the various food handling establishments, which is in addition to his regular work. Deferred to Executive Session.

Caseworkers from the Welfare Department, appeared before the Commission, with reference to collective bargaining. Mrs. Neafsey, Caseworker Supervisor, spoke on behalf of the group. She was told by the Commission that this (a group) is a matter of "Collective Bargaining" which does not come under the Commission's jurisdiction. The Commission entertains only individual grievances, and that it would be up to their Director, Mr. Laturney, to present this matter to the Commission.

With reference to requests for new personnel, submitted by the Human Rights Commission, it was unanimously agreed by the Personnel Commission to have Mr. Collyer (Chairman of the Human Rights Commission) and Charles Durant, appear at the next meeting of February 20, 1967.

Retirement, effective 7/1/67 was approved for Fred Dawless, Tax Assessor, and Max Wolfson, City Engineer on motion by Commissioner Burns, seconded by Commissioner Delany.

Unanimously approved was reclassification request from Mr. Stearns Woodman, Chairman of the Zoning Board, for Miss Jane White, from Secretary S-9 at \$5,450 to Executive Secretary S-10 at \$5,875., effective April 1, 1967, on motion by Commissioner Delany, seconded by Commissioner Burns.

The Commission scheduled Mr. Connell, Supt., Parks and Trees, to appear at their February 20, 1967 meeting, regarding several reclassification requests for his employees.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - The Director read a letter from Donald Zezima, Chairman, Board of Public Safety, wherein Mr. Zezima requested a revision in job specifications for the position of Deputy Fire Chief.

The revision was made as follows: Under "minimum qualifications" the two years satisfactory full time paid experience as Captain, has been eliminated from the requirements, and this will now make any full time permanent Captain eligible to participate in the examination, on motion by Commissioner Delany, seconded by Commissioner Burns. Commissioner Hoyt abstained.

Unanimously approved were reclassifications for Public Works employees, submitted by Mr. Ferrara. Michael DeAngelis, from Laborer I W-8, at \$5,480 to Maintenance Tradesworker II W-15 (painter) at \$6,000., effective April 1, 1967, on motion by Commissioner Hoyt, seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Pasquale Caporizzo, from Laborer I W-8, at \$5,480 to Maintenance Tradesworker II (Mason W-15) at \$6,000., effective April 1, 1967, on motion by Commissioner Delany, seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Reclassification from Mrs. Lucille Gianetti from Clerk-Typist II to Account Clerk I (Parking Authority) was unanimously deferred until the Account Clerk II vacancy (presently existing) in that department is filled.

Creating of new position - Laboratory Technician, Grade S-16 - \$6,575 - \$7,675 was unanimously approved, together with job specifications submitted, on motion by Commissioner Hoyt, seconded by Commissioner Burns.

Unanimously denied was reclassification for Dewitt Post from Sanitarian to Chief Food Sanitarian, on motion by Commissioner Burns, seconded by Commissioner Hoyt.

With reference to reclassifications and grade changes for Data Processing personnel, Commissioner Burns met with Ralph Biancardi (Supervisor) and personally observed the operations of the department and the various duties involving the staff. As a result of his classification and salary study, Commissioner Burns submitted his recommendations to the Commission for consideration. The Commission adopted these recommendations through motion by Commissioner Delany and seconded by Commissioner Hoyt, all effective on April 1, 1967, and were as follows:

Ralph Biancardi - Data Processing Supervisor S-22 at \$9,350., to Data Processing Supervisor S-24, step (4) at \$10,150.

Chester Larson - Data Processing Operator I, S-9 at \$5,450 to Programmer S-16, step (1) at \$6,575.

Stanley Steckler - Data Processing Operator I, S-9 at \$5,250 to Programmer S-16, step (1) at \$6,575.

Audrey Greer - Tabulating Maching Operator S-10, at \$5,875 to
Data Processing Operator II S-II, Step (4) at \$6,100.

Olga Maybo - Data Processing Operator I, S-9, at \$5,875 to
Data Processing Operator I S-10, step (5) at \$6,100.

Marianne DeMott - Data Processing Operator S-9 at \$5,250 to
Data Processing Operator II S-II, step (2) at \$5,650.

Helen Carta - Data Processing Operator I S-9 at \$5,650 to
Data Processing Operator I S-10, step (4) at \$5,875.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

J. F. McCutcheon,
Personnel Director

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

MR. FARMEN gave the following report:

In accordance with the Resolution No. 509 passed at the January 9, 1967 meeting of this Board, Urban Redevelopment Commission officials have met with representatives of the New Hope Corporation and have offered land for the construction of up to 200 units of 221-D-3 housing.

Announcement of the site has been delayed at the request of the New Hope people.

MUNICIPAL OFFICE BUILDING "HOUSE COMMITTEE":

THE PRESIDENT called attention to the demonstration model of the proposed "Voting Machine" on display here tonight.

MR. LINDSTROM, Chairman, said if the members have any comments, he would like to have them, so they can proceed with ordering the machine.

MR. NATHANSON asked what is holding up the ordering of the machine.

THE PRESIDENT said nothing was holding it up and Mr. Thomsen would be only too glad to get the nod to go ahead and get the job over with. He asked if a time limit for its installation could be given at this time.

MR. THOMSEN said it would take about 60 days for the installation.

THE PRESIDENT said the House Committee would contact him and make it official, one way or the other. He said the installation of the machine will do a great deal to speed up the Board's voting on appointments.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST COMMITTEE - Final Report - Pertaining to Sec. 708 of Charter

MR. BROMLEY, Chairman, reported that his committee has met many times since its appointment and he now wishes to present his final report as the result of their investigation and research:

This Committee was appointed July 11, 1966 and was asked to report back to the Board of Representatives during the meeting of January 1967. The Committee sent out 29 letters of inquiry as to the enforcement of Section 708 to all department heads and agencies receiving funds from the City of Stamford as listed in the current operating Budget of the City. All but four letters were answered, thus giving a fairly comprehensive view of the situation. The results of the letters showed that all departments and agencies made purchases through the Bureau of Purchases and hired personnel through the Personnel Department, and that the responsibility for the enforcement of Section 708 appeared to rest with these two departments.

After correspondence and interviews with Mr. Lyons, Commissioner of Finance, who has the responsibility under Section 708 to correct violations of that Section, Mr. Ryan, Corporation Counsel, Mr. McCutcheon, Personnel Director, and Mr. Benevelli, City Purchasing Agent, it was discovered that confusion existed in everyone's mind as to the proper interpretation of Section 708 because of its cumbersome and often ambiguous wording.

The picture of how Section 708 has been and is currently enforced is shown by the copy of Mr. Lyons' letter of October 6, 1966 attached to this report. In gist, elective and appointive officials have not been barred from entering into contractual relationships with the City providing the contracts are made through the competitive bidding process. On the other hand, no paid employee of the City is allowed to enter a contract with the City, even through competitive bidding. Though the Committee's interpretation of Section 708 would forbid not only paid City employees, but also, all elective and appointive officials from entering into contractual relations with the City, it was the view of the Finance Commissioner, Corporation Counsel and the heads of Purchasing and Personnel that the system as it exists and has existed for many years, rather than the interpretation of Section 708 held by the Committee, is a good and workable system.

The argument for keeping elective and appointive officials out of contracts with the City rests on the basis that no one with political influence, such as these officials, should be allowed to have contractual relations with the City where their influence may contribute to their own financial gain.

The argument for allowing elective and appointive officials to enter into contractual relations with the City rests mainly on three points:

- (1) The City is adequately safeguarded from harm, since the elective or appointive officials must enter a competitive bidding process for most contracts.
- (2) Many good and devoted elective and appointive officials would be forced either to resign from City Boards or their businesses disqualified, since either they, their partners, employees or companies have a contractual relationship with the City, and
- (3) The increased cost to employ out-of-town firms to fulfill City contracts because of disqualification under Section 708 of in-town firms would be large.

The Committee was inclined to allow elective and appointive officials of the City to contract with the City with proper safeguards and accordingly suggests for future Charter Revision the following points:

- (1) Section 708 should be divided into two parts, the first dealing only with elective and appointive officers; the second with salaried employees of the City.
- (2) The salaried employees should be prohibited, as they are presently, from entering any contract with the City.
- (3) Elective, or appointive officers of the City may not enter a contract with the City, EXCEPT:
 - (a) After competitive bidding, or
 - (b) In case of professional services with prior written consent of the Mayor, or
 - (c) When Stamford's needs, as determined by the Mayor cannot be fulfilled in any other manner.

Attached to this report is a draft of Section 708 embodying these proposed changes, in order to resolve the ambiguities in that Section and bring it in line with the present system of enforcement.

As far as the actual enforcement experience with Section 708, Commissioner Lyons in his October 6, 1966 letter said:

"No violations of this section have come to my attention, and therefore, no steps have been taken. Should a violation come to my attention, I would discuss the matter fully with the Corporation Counsel and be guided by legal advice given me by him in complying with the duty assigned to the Commissioner of Finance."

The Committee also asked the Corporation Counsel for an opinion on whether school teachers are barred from participation in City government because of Section 708. Attached is the Corporation Counsel's opinion that teachers are NOT barred by Section 708.

In conclusion, though some who had expected a "Witch Hunt" may be disappointed by this report, this Committee was not constituted as a Special Investigating Committee, with subpoena powers to uncover wrong-doing in City government. Our task was to discover how Section 708 worked, and if it did not, what could be done to make it work. We found that most City officials were confused by the wording and intent of Section 708, but that a workable system of enforcement had grown up almost in spite of the confusion over words.

J. Robert Bromley, Chairman
Thomas A. Morris
William P. Caporizzo
Lynn H. Farnen
John C. Fusaro
Paul J. Kuczo
Carmine V. Longo

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

The following attachments were also submitted as part of the above report:

SECTION 708 (of Charter) - DRAFT OF PROPOSED CHANGES

No elective or appointive officer and no partner, agent, servant or employee of such officer shall: (1) Be interested directly or indirectly in any contract to which Stamford is a party, either as principal, surety or otherwise, or in any work to be performed for, or services rendered to or for, the municipality, or in any sale to or from the municipality or any agency thereof, UNLESS through competitive bidding in accordance with the same procedure as contained in Section 484.1 of this Charter as to amounts over five hundred (500) dollars, but in no case for amounts less than five hundred (500) dollars, OR in the case of professional services with the prior written consent of the Mayor, OR unless Stamford's needs, as determined by the Mayor in a particular project cannot be fulfilled in any other manner; (2) Purchase from, or sell to the municipality or any agency thereof, except after public advertising or bid, any real or personal property.

No employee, or person receiving a salary from municipal funds, and no partner, agent, servant or employee of such person shall: (1) Be interested directly or indirectly in any contract to which Stamford is a party, either as principal, surety or otherwise, or in any work to be performed for, or services rendered to or for, the municipality, or in any sale to or from the municipality or any agency thereof; (2) Purchase from or sell to the municipality or any agency thereof, except after public advertising or bid, any real or personal property.

Any violation of the provisions of this section shall, at the option of the Commissioner of Finance, render forfeit and void the contract, work, or business, sale or transaction affected, and further, shall constitute grounds for removal from office or employment.

The following letters were also submitted as part of Mr. Bromley's report:

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OPINION CONCERNING INTERPRETATION OF
SECTION 708 OF THE STAMFORD CHARTER IN REGARD TO SCHOOL
TEACHERS BEING MEMBERS OF CITY BOARDS AND POSSIBLE
CONFLICT OF INTEREST THEREBY

September 27, 1966

Mr. J. Robert Bromley
Board of Representatives
City Hall
Stamford, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Bromley:

Acknowledgment is hereby made of your letter of September 6, 1966 in which you inquire as to whether or not Representative Paul Kuczo, as a school teacher receiving compensation from municipal funds and as a party to a contract of employment with the City of Stamford Board of Education, is in violation of Section 708 of the Charter of the City of Stamford.

Section 708 of the Charter provides:

"No elective or appointive officer, no employee or person, otherwise receiving a salary or compensation from municipal funds, and no partner, agent, servant or employee of either such officer or person shall: (1) Be interested directly or indirectly in any contract to which Stamford is a party, either as principal, surety or otherwise, or in any work to be performed for, or services rendered to or for, the municipality, or in any sale to or from the municipality or any agency thereof; (2) Purchase from or sell to the municipality or any agency thereof, except after public advertising or bid, any real or personal property. Any violation of the provisions of this section shall, at the option of the Commissioner of Finance, render forfeit and void the contract, work or business, sale or transaction affected, and further, shall constitute grounds for removal from office or employment."

Mr. Kuczo is a party to a contract of employment with the Board of Education of the City of Stamford by virtue of the fact that he is a school teacher. School teachers are hired and secure tenure in accordance with the statutory provisions pertaining to their employment. Their contracts of employment are renewable, under statute, annually, in accordance with Section 10-151 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, as amended (1965). See also, Section 10-153(b) and 10-153(d) of the General Statutes of Connecticut (1965).

"The primary rule for construing municipal enactments is that the expressed intention of the legislative body is to be ascertained and given effect. Hutchinson v The Zoning Appeals of the Town of Stratford, 140 Conn. 381

"In ascertaining that intention we must consider the ordinance in the light of its language and, among other things, of the purpose it was designed to serve. Glanz v Board of Zoning Appeals, 123 Conn. 311

"Every ordinance must receive a reasonable construction. Whitlock v West, 26 Conn. 406

"When two constructions are possible, courts will adopt the one which makes the statute effective and workable, and not one which leads to difficult and possibly, bizarre results. Muller v Town Planning and Zoning Commission. 145 Conn. 325, 331

"A statute is to be so construed as to carry out the intent of the legislature. The intent is ascertained from the act itself, if the language is plain, otherwise by considering the act in the light of all its provisions, the object sought to be accomplished, pre-existing legislation upon the same subject, and other relevant circumstances. When a statute is ambiguous in terms and fairly susceptible to two constructions, one of which will avoid an absurd or ridiculous consequence, a court is warranted in assuming that the legislative intent was to attain a rational and sensible result. City of Bridgeport v Town of Stratford, 142 Conn. 634. If it can be said that there is any ambiguity about it, an interpretation of it with a regard to the mischief aimed at and the apparent intent of the legislature naturally leads to the conclusion stated. Any other would be one which would create serious purposeless embarrassments to the orderly and efficient administration of many of the larger affairs of the city, and it is not to be presumed that the legislature intended any such result. Kelly v Waterbury, 83 Conn. 270, 273"

To construe the provisions of Section 708 in the manner suggested would bar and prohibit all contracts of employment between the City of Stamford, Board of Education and its employees and appointed officers. This is so because every employee would be directly interested in his own employment contract, to which the City is a party. This result, in our opinion, is not the intention of the Charter provision since it would be contrary to the public policy of this state, as set forth in the above statutes. The Charter provision in question prohibits a school teacher from entering into any contract with the City of Stamford or its agencies other than his contract of employment.

Therefore, Mr. Kucso's contract of employment with the City of Stamford Board of Education, does not violate Section 708 of the Charter.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. Patrick Ryan,
Corporation Counsel

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Notes: The letter of October 6, 1966 from the Commissioner of Finance to Mr. Robert Bromley is filed with the report of the Special Conflict of Interest Committee in the office of the Board.

THE PRESIDENT informed the members that after discussion of the report of the Special Committee on Conflict of Interest, it will be discharged, as it will have then fulfilled its charge.

MR. NATHANSON said he would like to have clarification on one point particularly, and that refers to violations, if any - if any violations do exist and what could be done to limit them and if anything is being done to enforce the Charter provisions as they now exist.

MR. BROMLEY said in the Committee report it states that the Commissioner of Finance is charged with the enforcement of this provision, wrote the Board and stated that no violations have come to his attention, which is not to say that there might not be violations. On the other hand, he said, the enforcement provisions are fairly clear in Section 708 and if anybody knows of a violation, it is their duty to go through the proper channels to alert the Finance Commissioner on this and he will then be in a position to act upon it.

MR. KAPLAN said he wished to compliment the Committee on a very thorough job. He asked Mr. Bromley, through the Chair, if apart from modification of the Charter, there is anything that can be done about this problem, by Ordinance, in setting up conflict of interest Committees, or administrators, as has been done in certain other cities.

MR. BROMLEY said he is under the impression that there is quite a history in back of setting up a Code of Ethics in Stamford. He said he did look over some of the past history in relation to this, which was talked about in 1961 and 1962, and one of the more noteworthy comments that was made at a public hearing held on the matter, was that we already have a Charter provision that is supposed to cover this situation. He said this appears to be true - that is, if Section 708 were enforced rigorously, according to the interpretation as given by Mr. Nathanson, then a lot of people would be in violation of Section 708. He said the problem is that there are a lot of people, who technically may be in violation of it, for reasons, as previously outlined in his report, which are for the good of Stamford in a certain way, have not been objected to - at least in the enforcement procedures.

He said if one wanted to write a "Code of Ethics" he believes it would be necessary to have a Charter revision. He said as the Charter is presently written, you do have it and whether or not one wanted to supplement it by writing a specific "Code of Ethics" is a possibility. However, if the intent is to change Section 708 drastically, then it would require a Charter revision.

THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED that the Committee, having given its report, is now discharged. He thanked Mr. Bromley and the Committee for a job well done.

MR. FUSARO said he is not sure that Mr. Bromley made it quite clear, but there is a proposed Charter revision contained in the report he just gave, which must be kept on file until such time as a Charter Revision Commission is formed.

THE PRESIDENT said this will all be kept on file until such time as it is needed.

PUBLIC HOUSING & GENERAL RELOCATION COMMITTEE: (A Special Committee)

MR. BENNETT, Chairman, said his Committee held a public hearing on the problems of housing in the City of Stamford and speakers from various groups were heard during this meeting, which explored the pressing problem of housing. These were represented by speakers from the Human Rights Commission, the Stamford Fair Housing Committee and the State Civil Rights Commission, who sent down a representative.

After the public hearing, he said the Committee met in Executive Session and at that time took particular exception to the comments of Mr. Milton Turkel, President of the local NAACP unit, who alleged that there exists in the City a "silent conspiracy" against the negro population, which conspiracy includes the administration, the Planning Board, the Zoning Board, the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Board of Representatives. He said he had also suggested a complete re-writing of the Planning & Zoning Regulations as well as the Building Code.

Mr. Bennett said his Committee unanimously voted to query the NAACP and inquire if this was the position of the local unit, or merely rash statements made by Mr. Turkel, in light of their continued efforts on all levels of City government to seek the best housing for all citizens with the least delay, and more particularly in point, with the recent resolution concerning the New Hope Corporation and action taken by the Urban Redevelopment Commission.

MR. BENNETT MOVED that the full Board support a motion taking strong exception to Mr. Turkel's statements, with particular reference to the Board of Representatives and that the President of the Board inquire from the governing body, or Board of Directors of the local NAACP unit whether this is their position, or were they merely rash and unwarranted statements made by the President of their local unit.

MR. BITETTO seconded the motion.

MR. KELLY also seconded the motion.

MR. KAPLAN said he does not mean what he is about to say being in derogation of the very fine work done by the Committee; however, he does take exception to the motion as it is made in that he believes it to be inappropriate to our legislative body to make. He said there are statements in the motion, castigating an individual, in this particular instance, a professional person, a very dedicated and intelligent individual. He said he is not familiar with the verbatim text of what he is alleged to have said and also neither are the Board members sitting here at all familiar with the exact text of what Mr. Turkel said. He said he believes it to be rash to "cast a stone" at a person who is not able to be present to reply to the charges as they are made. He urged the Board to stop and think twice and give this person a chance to be heard on the issue and that it is not fair to cast a vote in this manner.

MR. ROGERS said Mr. Turkel has made a statement which has castigated the entire Board, was published in the newspaper and everyone has read it. He said from what the previous speaker has stated that it would appear as if this Board is in a position where they can't respond. He urged approval of the motion.

MR. FUSARO said he agrees with Mr. Kaplan, to a point, but the problem is that the statements made by Mr. Turkel are now attributed to the NAACP and he feels it is improper that remarks made by an individual should be assumed as coming from the organization to which he belongs. He said he thinks what Mr. Bennett is seeking is an answer from the organization itself, more or less disassociating itself from these remarks, because he is sure the organization itself does not feel that there is a "silent conspiracy against minority groups". He said he believes the air should be cleared to make sure that remarks made by an individual on behalf of an organization were not authorized by them. He said he feels sure that in the heat of argument, remarks were made that probably are not held by the organization itself.

MR. BENNETT said the purpose of the inquiry is to determine whether or not Mr. Turkel was expressing the sentiments and feelings of the local NAACP unit, or whether, in the heat of the moment he was expressing his own individual feelings.

MR. KAPLAN asked if it would not be possible for Mr. Bennett's committee to make direct inquiries of the NAACP before any vote is taken by this Board, in order to give Mr. Turkel an opportunity to perhaps re-phrase or modify his statements. He urged that this be done before the Board takes any action.

THE PRESIDENT said he believes what Mr. Bennett is doing is asking the President to direct a letter from the Board to the NAACP asking if they concur in the remarks made by Mr. Turkel - he said we are not going any further than that.

MR. KAPLAN said he would like to know what the exact language is that our Board would be voting on.

MR. MORRIS MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED, with 2 "no" votes. (needs 2/3 vote)

THE PRESIDENT stated the question - that a letter be directed to the NAACP from the Board, asking whether or not Mr. Turkel spoke as an individual or did he speak for the NAACP. VOTE taken and CARRIED with several "no" votes.

MR. MURPHY objected to writing this letter - he said there are many silly remarks made by various people in this City and just because someone loses his temper and makes remarks, should he be called to account each time?

THE PRESIDENT pointed out that a vote has already been taken.

CONCERNING RELOCATION OF PEOPLE DISPLACED BY URBAN RENEWAL

MR. KUCZO said he would like to know what responsibility URC has in relocating these people - he said he wrote a letter about this some time ago and thinks the questions that he and Mr. Connors asked should be answered. He said in view of recent fires in some of these buildings, he would like to know if these buildings are safe for these people - and why do we board up a building and then later on, open them up again and move people back into these buildings?

MR. CONNORS said he would like to go along with what Mr. Kuczo has said. He said he was under the impression that these buildings were to be torn down, and wants to know if moving people back into these buildings will make the URC subject to law suits.

MR. RUSSELL informed the speaker that since he happens to be a member of that Committee, it would be a good idea if he brought his questions before the Committee and perhaps they could be answered.

COVE POND DAM SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

MR. KUCZO, Chairman, presented his Committee interim report, as follows:

January 18, 1967: An organizational meeting of the Committee was held in the Republican Caucus room of the Board of Representatives. Present were Representatives Kuczo, Kelly, Heinzer, Iacovo and Rybnick; also present were Mr. Russell, Board President, Mr. P. S. Atkinson of Darien, members of the Press as well as Mr. Connors, Representative from the 8th District.

The Committee was divided into two sub-committees, to study and investigate the problems before the Committee - one to study the Cove Dam and the other to study the pollution aspects. Mr. Heinzer will act as Secretary to cover the Minutes of the Committee as a whole.

A history of the Dam was given, some of the questions that are to be answered and how the problem should be approached. It was decided that the Committee should get a first hand view of the Cove Dam by seeing it on Sunday, January 22, 1967.

On January 22, 1967, the Committee met at the site of the Cove Dam. A boat was provided by the Park Department to enable the members to get over to the Gates on the Darien side of the Dam. The following members of the Committee were present: Messrs. Kuczo, Heinzer, Rybnick and Iacovo. Also present was President George Russell. The members examined all Gates and the Dam abutments. Mr. Heinzer and Mr. Kuczo took several pictures of their findings.

It was found that erosion was taking place, as well as a build-up of silt and clams behind the Gates. Some of the members went down to the Magee Avenue Public Works Yard to view the hinge Gates that had been removed, but they could not be located.

On February 3, 1967 a meeting of the Committee was held in the Republican Caucus Room of the Board of Representatives at which time the following were present: Messrs. Kuczo, Heinzer, Rybnick and Rogers. Also present were members of the Press, the Majority Leader, Mr. Morris and President Mr. Russell.

An analysis of the findings was discussed, review of the photographs taken by Mr. Heinzer and what further steps were to be taken by the Committee.

The Committee will seek information from a number of State and Local agencies that might help in resolving some of the questions regarding the present and past condition of the dam and Pond. Another meeting of the Committee will be held on February 13, 1967 to investigate the Noroton River for possible pollution.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS AND INDIVIDUALS:

THE PRESIDENT read the following letter from the Governor:

January 25, 1967

Board of Representatives
City of Stamford
City Hall
Stamford, Connecticut

Attention: Mr. George E. Russell, President

Gentlemen:

I have read with interest the resolution of the Stamford Board of Representatives concerning a State Bond authorization to allow the State to purchase home mortgages from banks in Connecticut.

While the mortgage market has been extremely tight, the provision by the Congress of \$4.76 billion for this purpose, and the purchase with trust funds of several million dollars in Connecticut mortgages by the State of Connecticut, through its Investment Committee, are expected to reflect an improvement in the situation.

Sincerely,

John Dempsey, Governor

OLD BUSINESS:

Request to increase membership of SPECIAL HOUSING COMMITTEE

MR. FUSARO requested that the President take under advisement the proposal to increase the size of the above special committee by adding two extra members, one a Democrat and the other a Republican.

THE PRESIDENT said he fails to see where a larger Committee would be better, because he knows from past experience from his many years on the Board, that many five member Committees are well able to get a great deal accomplished. He said in his opinion a seven member committee is a good sized committee. He said he would discuss this with the Majority and Minority Leaders.

CONCERNING AIR POLLUTION - KIWANIS CLUB LUNCHEON at 12:15, February 22, 1967

MR. NATHANSON informed the members that they are welcome to attend the Kiwanis Club luncheon to hear a talk on Air Pollution by Professor Ingraham.

CONCERNING ENFORCEMENT OF SEC. I-10 of Code of General Ordinances regarding the Marking of City-owned Vehicles

MR. KUCZO said he brought this matter up at last months meeting and was informed by Mr. Rich, Chairman of the Legislative & Rules Committee, to whom this was referred, that these vehicles are properly marked. He said he would like to inform Mr. Rich that these cars have still not been marked as outlined in the Code of General Ordinances. He said he wishes to once more ask that the City Ordinances be complied with.

MR. NATHANSON rose to a point of order. He said he would like to remind the members that this body is not a government enforcement body, but a legislative body and it is not a proper function of this Board.

CONCERNING FORMATION OF A CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

MR. KUCZO said he would also like to know when this Board is going to form a Charter Revision Commission.

THE PRESIDENT said he believes very serious consideration should be given to the time limit involved, as there might not be enough time in which to hold public hearings and report back to this Board, who also would have to hold at least one public hearing.

MR. FUSARO said to clarify the situation, he would state that when the President is ready to name the Commission and the number to be on that Commission, at that moment he will receive the names from the Democratic Party.

THE PRESIDENT said these names would first have to be checked with the Town Committee.

MR. FUSARO said they are not vested with the authority.

ADJOURNMENT:

MR. NATHANSON MOVED for adjournment at 11:45 P.M. Seconded and CARRIED.

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APPROVED:

George E. Russell
George E. Russell, President
698 9th Board of Representatives

Velma Farrell
Velma Farrell
Administrative Assistant
(Recording Secretary)

Note: The above meeting was broadcast
over Radio Station WSTC until
11:00 P.M.

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