

MINUTES OF JUNE 2, 197513TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVESSTAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 13th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, June 2, 1975 in the Board's meeting room on the second floor of the Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Frederick E. Miller, Jr., at 8:50 p.m. after both political parties had met in caucus.

INVOCATION: Given by the Rev. A. Ralph Johnson, Pastor, Ebenezer Baptist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: THE PRESIDENT led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MOMENT OF SILENCE: A moment of silence was observed to honor the memory of E. Gaynor Brennan, Sr.

CHECK OF THE VOTING MACHINE: A check of the voting machine was conducted and it appeared to be in good working order.

ROLL CALL: Roll Call was taken by the Clerk, Marilyn Laitman. There were 36 members present and 4 absent. The absent members were:

Handy Dixon (D), 2nd District
Billie Perkins (R), 18th District
John Sandor (D), 4th District
Anthony Truglia (D), 5th District

PAGES: Cathy Laitman, student at Northeast School, and Andrew Laitman, student at Turn of River School, children of City Rep. Marilyn Laitman, 20th District.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED for the acceptance of the minutes of the regular monthly meeting of May 5, 1975. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI MOVED for the acceptance of the minutes of the budget meeting of May 12, 1975. Seconded and CARRIED.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:STEERING COMMITTEE

The reading of the report of the Steering Committee meeting of May 19, 1975 was waived and appears below:

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STEERING COMMITTEE REPORTMeeting held Monday, May 19, 1975

A meeting of the Steering Committee was held Monday, May 19, 1975 in the Democratic Caucus Room, second floor, Municipal Office Building, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and President of the Board, Frederick E. Miller, Jr., at 10:55 p.m. following an adjourned meeting of the Board of Representatives. The following members were present:

Frederick E. Miller, Jr.
John Boccuzzi
Marilyn Laitman
Norman Davidoff
Salvan Ross
Gerald Rybnick
Mathew Rose

Jeremiah Livingston
Joseph DeRose
Robert Exnicios
Barbara Forman
William Flanagan
Michael Tresser
Leonard Hoffman

Also present were Alfred Perillo and Diane Handley.

The following matters on the tentative agenda were discussed and acted upon:

(1) Mayor's appointments

The three appointments that had been held in Committee on 5-5-75 were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE. There were no new appointments submitted by the Mayor for consideration at the June meeting.

(2) Appropriation items

There were 16 fiscal items ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under FISCAL COMMITTEE with those over \$2,000 also being referred to a secondary committee. Also the item pertaining to the proposed resolution amending the Capital Projects Budget account for Derry Street was referred to PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE.

(3) Legislative matters

The following nine legislative items were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

- 1) Proposed ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 302 SUPPLEMENTAL - COMMISSION ON AGING - POWERS AND DUTIES
- 2) WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE - For West Main Street Community Center
- 3) Proposed ORDINANCE CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN CITY DEPARTMENTS AND/OR AGENCIES FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY

(Also referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE & PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE)

- 4) Proposed ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 80.20 SUPPLEMENTAL CONCERNING CERTAIN PERMIT FEES

(Also referred to FISCAL COMMITTEE)

- 5) Proposed ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 10-76 and 10-79 - FAIR RENT COMMISSION-POWERS AND ELIGIBILITY TO FILE COMPLAINT
- 6) Proposed ORDINANCE CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF CIVIL SERVICE PRACTICES
- 7) WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE - For Sacred Heart Academy
- 8) Proposed ORDINANCE FOR TAX EXEMPTION FOR STAMFORD HOSPITAL PROPERTY AT 174 SPRUCE STREET
- 9) Proposed ORDINANCE FOR TAX EXEMPTION FOR ST. JOHN'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH PROPERTY AT 127 WESTOVER LANE

The following legislative items, which appeared on the tentative agenda, were NOT ordered on the agenda, but were referred to Committee:

- 1) Final adoption of ORDINANCE CONCERNING PAPER SEPARATION
- 2) Proposed ORDINANCE CONCERNING X-RATED MOVIES
- (4) Public works concerns

The following item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE and was also referred to LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:

- 1) PRIVATE REFUSE COLLECTION PRACTICES WITHIN THE CITY

The second item on the tentative agenda concerning Sleepy Hollow Park was NOT ordered on the agenda but was referred to Public Works Committee and to Parks & Recreation Committee.

- (5) Health and protection matters

The following item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE:

- 1) INVESTIGATION of the accountability for the non-improvement of the traffic situation on HIGHVIEW AVENUE

- (6) Personnel concerns

The following item which was not on the tentative agenda was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

- 1) CIVIL SERVICE REGULATIONS - Consideration of revisions - (Letter dated 5-14-75 from Edward T. Mathews, Chairman, Personnel Commission)

- (7) Planning and zoning matters

The following item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA under PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE:

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- 1) Proposed RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON EAST SIDE OF FAIRFIELD AVENUE FOR \$20,910.00

No other items were ordered on the agenda for consideration at the June meeting.

Other matters discussed included:

1. Follow-up on Sense of the Board Resolution No. 1065 regarding flooding conditions in Sleepy Hollow Park - Letter dated 5-15-75 from Diane Handley, 17th District Rep. was referred to Environmental Protection Committee, Sewer Committee and Parks & Recreation Committee.
2. Letter addressed to the Board dated 5-15-75 from the Stamford Women's Republican Club noting a resolution had been passed at its May meeting supporting the efforts of the Special Investigating Committee. Noted and filed.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 p.m.

Frederick E. Miller, Jr., Chairman
Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Theodore Boccuzzi

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI reported that the Appointments Committee met on Thursday, May 29, 1975 and present were Reps. Crosby, Forman, Costello, Ravallese and Theodore Boccuzzi. He reported on the following appointments: (The votes are recorded below).

SEWER COMMISSION

Term Expires:

IRVING SLIFKIN (R)
211 Shelter Rock Road
(Replacing E. Iacovo,
whose term expired)
(Second Submission - Held
in Committee 5-5-75)

APPROVED
VOTE: 22 yes
14 no

Dec. 1, 1975

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said that at the time Dr. Plomitallo was interviewed by the Appointments Committee there were only four members present. He said that since there are nine members of the Committee it is the members' feeling that there should be five people present in order to take action on appointments.

THE PRESIDENT said it would be appropriate to act on the appointment even though only four members of the Committee were present and voting at the time of the consideration of Dr. Plomitallo's nomination. He said the question of whether or not there must be a quorum at a meeting of a Committee has never been completely resolved. He said this problem could be resolved by someone's making a motion to bring the name out of Committee rather than having it reported out of Committee by the Chairman.

MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI said that the appointment of Dr. Anthony Plomitallo to the Human Rights Commission be brought out of Committee. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI then reported on the following appointment:

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Term Expires:

DR. ANTHONY PLOMITALLO (D) APPROVED
44 Strawberry Hill Avenue VOTE: 23 yes
(Reappointment - Held in 13 no
Committee 5-5-75)

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PARKING AUTHORITY

J. CLYDE O'CONNELL (D) DENIED
Barclay Drive VOTE: 12 yes
(Replacing Max Friedman, 24 no
whose term expired - Held
In Committee 5-5-75)

Jan. 1, 1978

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Marilyn Laitman

MRS. LAITMAN reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Wednesday, May 28th and present were Reps. Laitman, Forman, Crosby, Loughran, Livingston and Zimble and absent were Reps. John Boccuzzi, Exniclos, Dixon and Rybnick. She reported on the following items:

- (1) CONSIDERATION of an item approved by the Board of Representatives at its December 2, 1974 meeting authorizing transfer of \$7,605.54 from the Law Department - Code 110.0101 - Salaries - to the Personnel Department - Code 174.0101 - Salaries - (Letter dated 4-18-75 from Marilyn Laitman, 20th District Rep.) (Held in Committee 5-5-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item will be Held in Committee. She said the attorney for the Director of Civil Service has requested a postponement until he has had a chance to review all pertinent data with his client. She said the Committee has been advised by the Corporation Counsel that it would be in the best interest of the City to grant this request.

MR. HOFFMAN said the Personnel Committee did meet at the same time as the Fiscal Committee on this matter. He said the Committee had planned to meet at a later date but after speaking with Mr. Boodman it was decided that this was in the hands of the Fiscal Committee and was no longer a matter for the Personnel Committee so they did not meet a second time.

- (2) NOTICE OF INTENT - of Representative Salvan Ross, Jr., 15th District, to make a motion to rescind the vote taken on December 2, 1974 authorizing transfer of \$7,605.54 from the Law Department - Code 110.0101 - Salaries - To the Personnel Department - Code 174.0101 - Salaries - (Letter dated 4-17-75 from Rep. Ross) - (Held in Committee 5-5-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item is also being Held in Committee.

MR. HOFFMAN said the Personnel Committee would concur with the item being Held.

In response to a question from MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI, MRS. LAITMAN said that the reduction by the Board of Finance had been made in the Advertising & Printing account and in the New Equipment account.

MR. HOFFMAN said he is not opposed to mass transit and added that he also observes the local busses being under-utilized. He said he doesn't believe that \$1,322 is going to be any more than a drop in the bucket and that the whole system needs to be overhauled. He said the schedules are not publicized adequately. He said he questioned the goodness is approving this appropriation.

MRS. LAITMAN said the problems that were mentioned are those that the Transit District is trying to deal with. She said the marketing expert would identify the market, plug into the ridership patterns, interpret the feasibility study that has been done, etc. She noted that the Director of the Transit District has just come on board and can't be expected to perform miracles over night.

MR. HOFFMAN also said he was concerned about Mr. Weber's comments about the high cost of the bus service north of the parkway.

MRS. LAITMAN said the problem is a vicious cycle inasmuch as the schedules are inadequate, the bus stops are not delineated and people get frustrated and don't ride the bus and the ridership is low because people don't ride the busses because there are no delineated bus stops, etc. She said Mrs. Taylor, Transit District Director, is having bus stops established and that should be completed as of next week as a first step. She said with some concerted effort there will be an increase in the use of the busses.

MR. FLANAGAN noted that SACIA has mailed the bus routes and schedules to all member firms and other business. He said the service in the area of his factory is quite good and noted that approximately 10% of his help use the bus.

MR. LOUGHRAN said this appropriation should be approved to give the Director something to work with and noted it would be short-sighted of this Board not to give Mrs. Taylor and her Commission the funds to continue the work they are setting out to do.

MR. RYBNICK noted that the bus service on the East Side is good.

MRS. McINERNEY spoke in favor of approving this appropriation and noted that if mass transportation in Stamford is to be viable, it is necessary that some money be appropriated. She said there is an express system from North Stamford to the train station and the schedule coincides with the train schedule in both the morning and the evening. She said this service will be used even more with adequate advertising and promotion by the Transit District.

MRS. FORMAN noted there was a large potential market to be tapped which has never been done properly. She said she thinks the Transit District has a big job charged to it and urged that the Board support it.

MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED THE QUESTION. Seconded and CARRIED.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion to approved \$1,322.00 for the Transit District and the motion was CARRIED.

- (3) PROPOSAL TO INCREASE FEE FOR REDEMPTION OF DOGS FROM THE DOG POUND -
 From \$10 to \$25 - (Submitted on 3-24-75 by City Reps. Diane Handley and
 Thom Serrani, 17th District) - (Held in Committee 4-7-75 and 5-5-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item will be Held in Committee pending a determination of what control this Board has over the fee structure.

MR. ROSE said the Health & Protection Committee also met on this item with the Dog Warden and because of the complex nature of this matter the Committee agreed that this should be Held.

- (4) \$1,322.00 - TRANSIT DISTRICT - Code 197. - Various Accounts - To operate newly-established office for remainder of current fiscal year - as follows: (Reduced from \$1,522.00 by the Board of Finance) (Mayor's letter of 4-17-75)

Code 197.0104 - Overtime - Meetings -----	\$ 45.00
Code 197.0301 - Stationery & Postage -----	100.00
Code 197.0401 - Advertising & Printing -----	300.00
Code 197.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -----	150.00
Code 197.0701 - Janitor Services -----	32.00
Code 197.0801 - Transportation -----	45.00
Code 197.0802 - Car Allowance -----	100.00
Code 197.0901 - Professional Services -----	200.00
Code 197.1103 - Maps & Prints -----	20.00
Code 197.2101 - Conventions, Conf. & Dues -----	30.00
Code 197.2201 - New Equipment -----	300.00
	<u>\$1,322.00</u>

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount will fund this office for the remainder of the fiscal year. She said this is a very crucial time for this department in terms of the Board's support, the increase in ridership and the application for additional funding. She said she has been asked to announce that the July-August bus passes are now on sale and with them come free T-shirts and a McDonald freebie. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI asked what the funds designated for professional services would be used for.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Transit District intends to employ the services of a person in the field of marketing services who would advise that department on the validity of new route structures and innovations identified by the Transit District. She said the expertise is needed at this point to comment on the complicated report that has been submitted.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said he thought that would be a good idea as he has observed that the busses appear to be under-utilized. He said he is of the opinion that this is urgently and sorely needed.

MR. ROSS asked the record to indicate that he will abstain from discussion and voting on this item because of the appropriation for the Telephone & Telegraph account.

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- (5) \$49,492.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION - A projection of expenses through close of fiscal year indicates this amount will be needed to continue the mandated transportation services - (Dr. Carpenter's letter of 4-9-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this amount is needed to fund the transportation provided for private and parochial school students. She said a deficit is projected in the account due to an increase in the cost of fuel. She noted that under State law funds cannot be diverted from those appropriated for the support of the public schools. She said it should also be recognized that this service is mandated by the State. She said the Fiscal Committee would like Senator Strada, Senator Finney and Representatives Serrani, Abate, Lowden, Truglia and Shays to be aware of the Committee's disagreement with the inadequate funding of this mandated program. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of this appropriation and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said he would like the record to indicate that he abstained from discussion and voting on this item.

- (6) \$2,850.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - GRANT - From the State for educational materials in the consumer Home Economics Program in the secondary schools to begin July 1, 1975 and run through June 30, 1976 - (Dr. Carpenter's letter of 3-12-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this is a recurring 100% prepaid grant for the educational materials in the Consumer Home Economics Program in the secondary schools. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of this item and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Livingston who said the Education, Welfare & Government Committee concurred.

MR. THEODORE BOCCUZZI said he would like the record to indicate that he abstained from discussion and voting on this item.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion to approve this item and the motion CARRIED.

- (7) \$25,000.00 - LAW DEPARTMENT - Code 110.0901 - Special Professional Services - \$15,000.00 and Code 110.5402 - Settlement of Non-Contract Claims - \$10,000.00 - To meet outstanding obligations for the remainder of the current fiscal year - (Acting Mayor's letter of 5-1-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said the first part of this appropriation involves \$10,000 for the Settlement of Non-Contract Claims account. She said there has been an admirable effort made in this department to minimize disbursements in this area. She said there are obligations pending and a judgment which by stipulation can be paid in July 1975. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of the \$10,000 and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Davidoff who said the Legislative & Rules Committee concurred. CARRIED.

MRS. LAITMAN said the second part, \$15,000, is for Special Professional Services account and is for legal services billings from counsel engaged during the

prior administration. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Davidoff who said the Legislative & Rules Committee concurred. CARRIED.

- (8) \$4,000.00 - FIRE DEPARTMENT - Code 540.0501 - Telephone & Telegraph -
To meet anticipated expenses for the remainder of the current
fiscal year - (Acting Mayor's letter of 5-1-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said when the Fiscal Committee met on this they approved it. She said they had asked for some additional information and that information has now been received and there has not been time to go through it all this evening. She said she has polled the Committee and they have agreed that they would like to hold this item until next month.

MR. ROSE said the Health & Protection Committee would agree to the item being held.

MR. ROSS said he would like the record to indicate that he did not participate in the discussion on this item.

- (9) \$4,050.00 - BOARD OF RECREATION - Various accounts - To cover expenses
for remainder of current fiscal year, as follows: (Reduced
from \$4,650.00 by the Board of Finance) - (Acting Mayor's
letter of 5-1-75)

Code 720.1501 - Light, Heat & Power ----- \$ 500.00
(May & June electric bills)

Code 720.1701 - Auto Operations & Maintenance ----- 550.00
(Gasoline & repairs)

Code 726.1501 - Light, Heat & Power ----- 3,000.00
(March, April, May & June electric bills
for Barn Theater, Youth Center & Adm. Bldg.
at Sterling Farms)

\$4,050.00

MRS. LAITMAN said the Fiscal Committee voted to recommend approval of \$1,050.00 of the above request and to hold \$3,000 for account 726.1501. She said the Committee would like the Internal Auditor to look into the utility bills for the Ethel Kveskin Theater, Youth Center and Administration Building at Sterling Farms. She said these three facilities run off one meter and there has been a rather alarming rise in expenditures. She said there may be a reasonable explanation but the Committee would like to have Mr. Ruszkowski look into this further.

MR. BLOIS said he does not think the reasons for holding this are valid at this point. He said there have been additions to the Theater, such as air conditioning and more stage lights, which would account for the increased usage.

MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of \$500.00 for account 720.1501. Seconded by Mr. Blois who said the Parks & Recreation Committee concurred. CARRIED.

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MRS. LAITMAN MOVED for approval of \$550.00 for account 720.1701. Seconded by Mr. Blois who said the Parks & Recreation Committee concurred. CARRIED.

MR. BLOIS MOVED for consideration of the request of \$3,000.00 for account 726.1501. Seconded by Mr. Perillo.

MRS. FORMAN said the Fiscal Committee supports the activities at the Ethel Kveskin Theater but the bill for electricity doesn't look right. She said their original request was for \$4,000 and this Board approved \$2,500 and the addition of this request would make the total \$5,500 and amounts to 366% as much as last year's appropriation. She said because of that tremendous increase the Committee wanted to request an audit and then if it were proved that there were no mistake, the Board would consider the item next month.

MRS. HANDLEY noted there was no rush to pay the bill.

MR. CONNORS said the facilities at Sterling Farms have been increased and this is why the utility bills have increased. He said they are doing a terrific job..

MR. CROSBY said the request of \$3,000 to cover four month's electric bills is illogical since only \$2,500 was spent for the first eight months of the year and this is why he is in favor of an audit.

In response to a question from MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI, MRS. LAITMAN said the Committee was told there was \$82.50 left in the account and the bills for March, April, May and June have not been paid.

MR. BLOIS said that in view of the remarks that have been made he would withdraw his motion and would go along with an internal audit.

MR. PERILLO said he would also withdraw his second to that motion.

THE PRESIDENT noted that the \$3,000.00 would be held in Committee and would be placed on the tentative agenda for consideration at the Steering Committee meeting.

MR. ZIMBLER said the discussion on this item emphasizes the need for a utility representative.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Board of Finance has been meeting on that and that two contracts were sent out about a month ago and they are awaiting replies.

(10) \$672.75 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - Code 510.0939 - Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment Program - GRANT - from the State Welfare Department to provide screening services to children (Acting Mayor's letter of 4-29-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this represents another payment from the State for this program which was approved previously by this Board. She said there is an effort being made to have this grant paid in larger amounts. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of this item and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded.

MRS. McINERNEY said she has done some research on this program and has been told that 2,037 children were serviced during a period of two years and four months. She said the program is divided into two parts - one for children from 0 to age 6 and the other from 6 to age 20.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion to approve Item #10 and the motion CARRIED.

- (11) \$3,875.00 - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - Code 510.0914 - Maternal & Child Care Grant from the State Department of Health to provide a statistical data program in connection with services in the child health clinics - (Mayor's letter of 5-5-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this is an on-going 100% pre-paid grant to enable the department to transfer current records to IBM cards and begin the computerizing of information connected with services in the child health clinics. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of this item and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Rose who said the Health & Protection Committee concurred.

In response to a question from MR. LOUGHRAN, MR. ZIMBLER said this program would not be on a City computer. He said the money from the grant will be used to transfer all the records to IBM cards and then to have the program drawn up. He said Dr. Gofstein hopes that once the program has been drawn up that in the future they can get together with the Data Processing Department.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion to approve this request and the motion was CARRIED.

- (12) \$10,500.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Code 630.1803 - Town Hall - Building Maintenance - To be used toward replacement of roof on Town Hall - City forced to change specifications from asphalt to slate to be eligible for restoration grant from National Park Service - (Acting Mayor's letter of 5-1-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this item is being held since it has been presented to the Board as an emergency appropriation rather than an amendment to the Capital Projects Budget. She said the Committee has discussed this with the Commissioner of Finance and he will review the suggestion. She said the Committee unanimously supports this project but feels it is important to properly distinguish between operating and capital budgets.

MR. PERILLO said the Public Works Committee concurred with the recommendation to hold this item.

- (13) \$234,119.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - Code 606.0609 - Snow Removal & Flood Emergency - Requested to cover deficit situation in this account - (Acting Mayor's letter of 5-1-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said the Fiscal Committee is recommending that this item be reduced to \$187,604.00 and that the two items eliminated be bonded. She said those two items are asphaltting of rock salt pads, \$33,571, and Scofieldtown Yard alterations, \$12,944. She said the Fiscal Committee has some suggestions for the scope of this account in future budgets. She said the Committee recommends that a separate account for snow removal be established in the operating budget and that specific line items be set up so that only those expenses which are directly and exclusively related to snow removal may be charged to the account. She said the Committee recommends that the line items to be included be restricted to overtime, payment to private contractors, rock salt, telephone, sander and snow plow parts and repairs and miscellaneous supplies. She said in the past, some costs have been charged to this account which may not be 100% attributable to snow removal, such as tires, spark plugs, batteries, anti-freeze, etc., and in order to reflect a more accurate picture of the actual cost of snow removal in the City, items such as these should be charged against

an equipment repair and maintenance account. She said the Committee also recommends for the future, as well as for this year, that all costs for permanent construction, alterations and improvements of the facilities be funded through the Capital Projects Budget. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of \$187,604.00 for this account and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Perillo who said the Public Works Committee concurred by a vote of 7 to 1.

MR. FLANAGAN said there are some costs that have been charged to this account that should not properly be charged in their entirety to snow removal. He said he would guess fresh anti-freeze could be put into 100 trucks for \$2,400 and noted that since anti-freeze is not changed every year, he cannot accept this as a valid figure for the trucks used in snow removal. He also said the amount for batteries and spark plugs seems out of line for the vehicles used in snow removal. He said the City vehicles are only used 10% of the time for snow removal. HE MOVED that the figure to be approved for snow removal be reduced to \$172,003. Seconded.

In response to a question from MR. JOHN BOCCUZZI, MR. FLANAGAN said the charges that he is recommending be removed include tire and tubes for \$8,010, anti-freeze for \$2,471, batteries and spark plugs for \$2,409, and miscellaneous supplies for \$2,711. He said these items are not attributable to the snow removal account in their entirety and certainly not more than 10%.

MR. MARTINO spoke in favor of the figure recommended by the Fiscal Committee.

MR. LOUGHRAN noted that the items that Mr. Flanagan mentioned were not charged 100% to these accounts and represent allocations. He said anytime allocations are involved, the judgment in arriving at the allocations can be questioned. He said it may be very possible that Mr. Flanagan's judgment is more accurate than that of the Public Works Department.

The VOTE was then taken on Mr. Flanagan's proposed amendment to reduce Item #13 to \$172,003 and the amendment was LOST on a voice vote.

THE PRESIDENT said that the motion before the Board at this point was the one made by Mrs. Laitman on behalf of the Fiscal Committee to approve \$187,604 for the snow removal account.

In response to a question from MR. BLOIS, MRS. LAITMAN said that the Fiscal Committee has recommended that the two items cut from this request be resubmitted in the form of an amendment to the Capital Projects Budget.

MR. PERILLO said requests for snow removal in the past have always been in the \$400,000 category.

The VOTE was then taken on Mrs. Laitman's motion and the motion was CARRIED.

(14) \$420.00 -

PROPOSED RESOLUTION AMENDING 1974-75 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET BY ADDING THERETO A PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$420.00 TO BE ENTITLED "DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS - DERRY STREET STORM WATER SEWER & STREET IMPROVEMENT" TO BE FINANCED BY THE TRANSFER OF SAID AMOUNT FROM THE PROJECT IN THE 1973-74 CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET ENTITLED "CITY-WIDE STORM DRAINS" - To establish a separate budget category in order to meet the legal requirements in billing the total cost of the property owners benefiting from this project - (Mayor's letter of 4-27-75)

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MRS. LAITMAN said Item #14 will be held in Committee.

MR. ROSS said the Planning & Zoning Committee concurred with this item being Held.

- (15) RESOLUTION NO. 1015 - AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO UNDERTAKE A PROGRAM OF COORDINATED HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT - In an amount not to exceed \$100,000 - Present grant expires June 30, 1975 and refunding application is to be submitted prior to that date - (Mayor's letter of 5-9-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this resolution will enable the Health Department to apply for a grant to augment the City's Housing Code Enforcement Program. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend adoption of the following resolution and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Rose who said the Health & Protection Committee concurred. CARRIED.

RESOLUTION NO. 1015

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR STATE ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO UNDERTAKE A PROGRAM OF COORDINATED HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to chapters 128, 129, 132 and 133 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Community Affairs is authorized to extend financial assistance to local Housing Authorities, municipalities, human resource development agencies and non-profit corporations; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Stamford make application to the State for \$100,000 in order to undertake a program of Housing Code Enforcement and to execute an Assistance Agreement therefore. It is understood that the City of Stamford will provide a local grant-in-aid in accordance with the requirements of Chapters 128, 129, 132 and 133 of the Connecticut General Statutes, as appropriate;

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

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State assistance imposed by Chapters 128, 129, 130, 132 and 133 of the Connecticut General Statutes, especially the requirement of a Community Development Action Plan in Chapter 133;
2. That it recognizes the responsibility for the provision of local grants-in-aid to the extent that they are necessary and required for said program;
3. That the filing of an application by the City of Stamford in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 is hereby approved, and that the Director of Health is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application with the Commissioner of Community Affairs, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required by the Commissioner, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance, if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, recisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the City of Stamford.

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- (16) RESOLUTION NO. 1016 - AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION BY THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT - In an amount not to exceed \$3,108,441.00 which represents the remainder of the State portion of the non-federal share of the project costs - (Mayor's letter of 5-9-75)

MRS. LAITMAN said this resolution will authorize the URC to submit an application to DCA for the remainder of the non-federal share of the URC project. She said the Fiscal Committee voted 6 to 0 to recommend approval of the following resolution and SHE SO MOVED. Seconded by Mr. Flanagan who said the Urban Renewal Committee concurred. CARRIED unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 1016

AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION BY THE URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE SOUTHEAST QUADRANT URBAN RENEWAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapters 128, 129, 130 and 133 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commissioner of Community Affairs is authorized to extend financial assistance to a municipality and its duly authorized agencies; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the City of Stamford make application to the State for a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$3,108,441.00 in order to complete an urban renewal project and, to execute an amended Assistance Agreement therefore; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford will provide local grants-in-aid in accordance with the requirements of the Connecticut General Statutes as applicable:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES of the City of Stamford:

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for State financial assistance imposed by Chapters 128, 129, 130 and 133 of the Connecticut General Statutes.
2. That it recognizes the responsibility for the provisions of local grants-in-aid to the extent that they are necessary and required for said program.
3. That the filing of an application by the Urban Redevelopment Commission, acting by and for the City of Stamford for additional grant-in-aid not to exceed \$3,108,441 which will provide a total grant-in-aid in the amount of \$10,281,560 is hereby approved, and that the Chairman is hereby authorized and directed to execute and file such application with the Commissioner of Community Affairs, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required, to execute an amended Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an Agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, recisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of the City of Stamford.

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LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Norman Davidoff

MR. DAVIDOFF reported on the following items:

- (1) ORDINANCE NO. 305 - AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 302 SUPPLEMENTAL - COMMISSION ON AGING - POWERS AND DUTIES - To amend Ordinance adopted on 5-5-75

MR. DAVIDOFF said the Legislative & Rules Committee recommended waiver of publication of this ordinance and HE SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED for final adoption of the following ordinance: Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 305 SUPPLEMENTALCOMMISSION ON AGING - POWERS AND DUTIES

NOW, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

1. 11-9 of the Code of Ordinances of the City is hereby deleted and the following shall replace it.
2. The Commission on Aging shall have the following powers:
 - a) To study continuously the conditions and needs of the elderly persons within the City including but not limited to the conditions of housing, transportation, economics, employment, health and recreation.
 - b) To analyze and plan services for the elderly provided within the City by both public and private agencies and shall make recommendations to the public, the Mayor and the Board of Representatives regarding the development, implementation and coordination of services related to the needs of the elderly.
 - c) To cooperate with the state and all other agencies regarding the above persons.
 - d) To provide such essential services to the elderly as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this ordinance subject to appropriation therefore.
 - e) To adopt reasonable rules and regulations as may be necessary and keep records of the conduct of its affairs.
3. This ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

- (2) WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE - For West Main Street Community Center, Inc. - For construction of new facilities - (Letter dated 3-4-75 from Charles Ukkerd, Executive Director, West Main Street Community Center, Inc.) - (Held in Committee 4-7-75 and 5-5-75)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the above item is now in ordinance form and HE MOVED for waiver of publication. Seconded and CARRIED.

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MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED for final adoption of the following ordinance: Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 306 SUPPLEMENTAL

REFUND OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES FOR YERWOOD CENTER,
FORMERLY WEST MAIN STREET COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

WHEREAS, the Yerwood Center, Inc. formerly the West Main Street Community Center, Inc. during the construction and reconstruction of its facilities located on West Main Street did inadvertently pay various building permit fees to the City of Stamford although the same may be exempted from such payment, and

WHEREAS, the Yerwood Center, Inc. is an organization which qualifies for charitable exemption pursuant to Connecticut law providing for same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

1. The following building permit fees are hereby waived and rescinded:

- a. A fee in the amount of \$100 paid on March 20, 1973 for building permit #51437;
- b. A fee in the amount of \$40 paid on February 26, 1974 for building permit #52335;
- c. A fee in the amount of \$3,600 paid on August 29, 1974 for building permit #52894.

2. The Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to reimburse said Yerwood Center, Inc. for the above fees in the amounts above listed.

3. This ordinance shall take effect upon enactment.

- (3) Proposed ORDINANCE CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF RESPONSIBILITY WITHIN CITY DEPARTMENTS AND/OR AGENCIES FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY - To regulate accountability for record-keeping practices within each City department - (Letter dated 1-22-75 from Deputy Corporation Counsel addressed to Internal Auditor - Re: Seaboard Service Invoices-Stamford Park Department) - (Additional proposal submitted by Barbara McInerney, 20th District Rep., on 4-21-75) - (Held in Committee 4-7-75 and 5-5-75)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the above item is being held in Committee for further study. He said the Committee intends to propose a set of regulations.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Fiscal Committee concurred with this item being held.

MR. BLOIS said the Parks & Recreation Committee also concurred.

- (4) Proposed ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 80.20 SUPPLEMENTAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN PERMIT FEES FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION WITHIN THE CITY - Submitted as a result of a stipulation imposed by the Board of Representatives when on 10-7-74 this Board approved an additional appropriation of \$25,000 for the Law Department to be used for demolition of unsafe buildings - Proposal would include the cost of removal of an unsafe condition pursuant to Section 416.1 of the Charter within the permit fee for new construction on the same piece of property - (Letter dated 1-30-75 from Deputy Corporation Counsel) - (Held in Committee 3-3-75)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the above item is being held in Committee.

MRS. LAITMAN said the Fiscal Committee concurred with this item being held.

- (5) Proposed ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 10-76 and 10-79 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES - FAIR RENT COMMISSION - POWERS AND ELIGIBILITY TO FILE COMPLAINT To enable the Fair Rent Commission to receive complaints from landlords and to receive complaints from tenants based on a decrease in services supplied - (Letter dated 4-15-75 from Diana M. Crouse, Director, Fair Rent Commission)

The above item was held in Committee.

MRS. HANDLEY said the Corporation Counsel had to check these changes against the State regulations to make sure they were consistent.

- (6) Proposed ORDINANCES CONCERNING DISCLOSURE OF CIVIL SERVICE PRACTICES WITHIN THE CITY OF STAMFORD - Local "Right to Know" law - (Submitted at the request of Diane Handley, 17th District Rep., by Deputy Corporation Counsel in letter dated 5-1-75)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the above item is also being held in Committee.

MR. HOFFMAN said the Personnel Committee concurred with this item being held.

- (7) WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEE - For Sacred Heart Academy - for renovation of its barn at the corner of Fifth Street and Strawberry Hill Avenue - (Letter dated 5-5-75 from Sister Judith Mulhall, C.S.J.)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the Committee voted to recommend approval of the waiver of the building permit fee for Sacred Heart Academy and HE SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (8) ORDINANCE NO. 307 - FOR TAX EXEMPTION FOR STAMFORD HOSPITAL PROPERTY AT 174 SPRUCE STREET - (Letter dated 5-7-75 from Durey & Pierson, Attorneys)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the Committee voted to recommend waiver of publication of this ordinance and HE SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED for final adoption of the following ordinance: Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

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ORDINANCE NO. 307 SUPPLEMENTAL

TAX EXEMPTION FOR THE STAMFORD HOSPITAL PROPERTY AT 174 SPRUCE STREET,
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, UNDER PROVISIONS OF SECTION 12-81(b) OF CONNECTI-
CUT GENERAL STATUTES (1967 P.A. 311)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Pursuant to Section 12-81(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, the property of the Stamford Hospital, an eleemosynary institution, acquired from Frank Gerardi on December 13, 1974, located at 174 Spruce Street, Stamford, Connecticut, to be used for its charitable purposes, be exempted from taxation on the list of September 1, 1973 as of December 13, 1974, and on the list of September 1, 1974; and

The Commissioner of Finance be and is hereby authorized and directed to reimburse the Stamford Hospital the amount of \$68.00 for real property taxes paid for said property on the list of September 1, 1973 prorated as of December 13, 1974 and to abate the real taxes due for said property on the list of September 1, 1973 and on the list of September 1, 1974, which taxes in the amount of \$724.15 were due in January, 1975 and will be due in July, 1975 and January, 1976.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

- (9) ORDINANCE NO. 308 FOR TAX EXEMPTION FOR ST. JOHN'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH PROPERTY AT 127 WESTOVER LANE - (Letter dated 5-7-75 from Durey
and Pierson, Attorneys)

MR. DAVIDOFF said the Committee voted to recommend waiver of publication of this ordinance and HE SO MOVED. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. DAVIDOFF MOVED for final adoption of the following ordinance: Seconded and CARRIED unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 308 SUPPLEMENTAL

TAX EXEMPTION FOR PARISH OF ST. JOHN'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT, PROPERTY AT 127 WESTOVER LANE, STAMFORD,
CONNECTICUT, UNDER PROVISIONS OF SECTION 12-81(b) OF CONNECTICUT
GENERAL STATUTES (1967 P.A. 311)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF STAMFORD THAT:

Pursuant to Section 12-81(b) of the General Statutes of Connecticut, the property of Parish of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church of Stamford, Connecticut, an eleemosynary institution, acquired from Sumner H. Wyman and Phyllis Wyman on October 30, 1974, located at 127 Westover Lane, Stamford, Connecticut, to be used for its charitable purposes, be exempted from taxation on the list of September 1, 1973 as of October 30, 1974, and on the list of September 1, 1974; and

The Commissioner of Finance be and is hereby authorized and directed to reimburse Parish of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church of Stamford, Connecticut

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the amount of \$282.00 for real property taxes paid for said property on the list of September 1, 1973 prorated as of October 30, 1974 and to abate the real estate taxes due on for said property on the list of September 1, 1973 and on the list of September 1, 1974, which taxes in the amount of \$846.03 were due in January, 1975 and will be due in July, 1975 and January, 1976.

This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Alfred Perillo and Gerald Rybnick

MR. PERILLO reported on the following item:

- (1) PRIVATE REFUSE COLLECTION PRACTICES WITHIN THE CITY - (Letter dated 3-24-75 from Theodore Boccuzzi, 9th District Rep.) - (Held in Committee 4-7-75 and 5-5-75)

MR. PERILLO said this item is being held in Committee for further study. He said two meetings were held with the Legislative & Rules Committee and the Corporation Counsel and representatives of the private refuse association. He said complaints, proposals and recommendations were made and heard and further study and meetings of the Committees are necessary to finalize the findings and recommendations.

MR. DAVIDOFF said the Legislative & Rules Committee concurred with the item being held.

In response to a question from MRS. FORMAN, MR. PERILLO said the refuse association has to present the recommendations and proposals to its membership and then they will get back to the Committees. He said they intend to do that at the next meeting of the association.

MRS. McINERNEY said she would like to thank publicly Public Works Commissioner O'Brien and City Engineer Bill Sabia on behalf of the residents of the Oppen Road area for their efforts in correcting the water problem in that area. She said the work is to start next week.

THE PRESIDENT noted that Mr. Theodore Boccuzzi has asked to be excused from the meeting and there are now 35 members present.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Matthew Rose

MR. ROSE said the Health & Protection Committee met on May 30 and present were Reps. Zimble, McInerney and Rose. He said they talked to the Dog Warden, Mr. Spezzano, and to Chief Kinsella at that time. He said Mr. Zimble will give a report on progress at the railroad station and Mrs. McInerney will report on Highview Avenue.

MR. ZIMBLE said that with regard to the problem of commuter parking and safety at the railroad station, the Health & Protection Committee received a letter from the Long Ridge Association detailing several more incidents of vandalism and/or violence at the station. He said the Committee is pursuing one instance in particular where a commuter was mugged and lay unconscious in the parking lot for five hours undetected. He said the Committee has

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written to the Police Department asking where the two patrolmen who are supposed to be at the station were that particular evening. He said there has been no response from the Police as of this date.

MRS. McINERNEY reported on the following item:

- (1) INVESTIGATION of the accountability for the non-improvement of the traffic safety conditions on HIGHVIEW AVENUE - (Submitted by Diane Handley, 17th District Rep., on 4-21-75) - (Held in Committee 5-5-75)

MRS. McINERNEY said she met with Police Chief Kinsella, Sgt. Leone, Traffic Director Weber and Mrs. Barosky on May 28 to look over the Highview Avenue traffic problem. She said they got a first-hand look at the increased traffic flow and the hazardous conditions caused by parking and the detouring of traffic due to sewerage on Hope Street during the business commuter hours and the school hours. She said immediate action to insure the safety of the residents will be taken by the Police Department. She said parking will be banned on the west side of Highview Avenue from Mead Street to Camp Avenue. She said this will only be a temporary measure and as soon as the sewerage project is completed plans will be made to turn Highview Avenue into a one-way traffic system with restricted parking. She said the Health & Protection Committee is planning to go and review the situation again this Saturday morning and will have a further report next month.

MRS. HANDLEY voiced her objections to the Committee to the plans to make Highview Avenue one-way.

MRS. CLARK thanked Mr. D'Agostino on behalf of some of the residents on Highview Avenue for his concern.

In response to a question from MR. GURDAN, MR. ROSE said there was no progress report on the Lenox Avenue problems.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Julius Blois

MR. BLOIS MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to consider a request for a petition for the annual feast of San Teodoro Matire. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (1) PETITION NO. 398 - for Feast of San Teodoro Matire - To be held August 28, 29, 30, 31, and September 1, 1975 - (Letter dated 5-21-75 from Tony Melchionne, Secretary, San Teodoro Society)

MR. BLOIS MOVED for approval of the petition for the San Teodoro Feast. Seconded and CARRIED.

MR. BLOIS MOVED for SUSPENSION OF THE RULES to consider a request for approval of the fee for junior tennis at Sterling Farms. Seconded and CARRIED.

- (2) FEE for Junior Tennis at Sterling Farms - \$1.00 per court at 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. during the week

MR. BLOIS said this proposal was in response to the petition given to him by Mr. Crosby concerning the tennis fees at Sterling Farms. He said he contacted the Golf Authority and they told him that they have considered a

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reduction in the adult tennis fees but to do so they would have to eliminate the reservation system. He said the Parks & Recreation Committee recommends that the Board go along with the reduction in the junior fees and HE SO MOVED. Seconded.

In response to questions from MR. CROSBY, MR. BLOIS said the adult fees are \$3 per court. He noted that the Committee was in favor of leaving these fees the way they are so as to be able to retain the reservation system. He said the fees the previous year had been 50¢ per person. He said the fees at Scalzi are \$2 per court after 5 p.m. He also said the fees for juniors had been the same as the adult rates.

MR. CROSBY said it was his opinion that the hours set up for the lower fees are too restrictive. He said he would like to see the juniors play at this rate all morning.

MR. BLOIS said they are willing to reduce the rates for adults if they eliminate the reservation system.

MRS. FORMAN said that the fees at Sterling Farms should be on a line with equivalent facilities elsewhere in the City. She said she realizes that the reservation system is a big plus but it seems to her that they are trying to give the Board the impression that the cost to cover the labor to take care of reservations is what is entailing this additional expense. She asked what changes in personnel would take place at Sterling Farms if they didn't have the reservation system. She suggested that they could have a reservation system in which one person goes over to sign a sheet to reserve the court which would eliminate whatever expense they claim now.

MR. BLOIS said they receive 400-500 phone calls a day and have been averaging from 250 to 300 golfers per day at Sterling Farms and they all go through the same office for reservations.

MRS. FORMAN said there are other ways where there can be advance reservations that would not require so much of their time and still preserve the reservation system and keep the price in line with the rest of the City.

The VOTE was then taken on the motion to approve the proposed fee for junior tennis and the motion CARRIED.

MR. BLOIS announced that the Stamford Golf Authority has turned back to the City \$25,000.00 with the promise to turn more in at a future date.

MRS. LAITMAN requested that Mr. Blois and his Committee look into the complaints that she has received concerning the National Junior Tennis Program which is run by the Board of Recreation having been somewhat curtailed.

MR. BLOIS read a letter from the Boy Scouts thanking the Park Department for the use of Cove Island for the Spring Camporee. He also read a letter from the West Side Bocci League requesting reconsideration of the bocci fees at Scalzi Park which have been raised from \$1 per night to \$8 per night. He said the Bocci League is willing to pay \$40 to \$50 for use of the bocci courts for 18 nights per season. It was suggested that Mr. Blois take that matter up with the Park Commission.

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THE PRESIDENT announced that Dan Russbach, a former member of this Board was in the gallery.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Leonard Hoffman

MR. HOFFMAN reported on the following item:

- (1) CIVIL SERVICE REGULATIONS - Consideration of revisions - (Letter dated 5-14-75 from Edward T. Mathews, Chairman, Personnel Commission)

MR. HOFFMAN said the above matter will be held in Committee for one more month.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Salvan Ross

MR. ROSS said that the Planning & Zoning Committee met on May 27 and present were Reps. Guroian, Sainburg and Ross and absent were Reps. Rose and Tresser. He said they considered Item #14 under Fiscal Committee, which has to do with Derry Street. He said the Committee voted to hold this item and has written to the Corporation Counsel for an opinion concerning the legal requirements in billing the total cost to the property owners benefitting from this project. He reported on the following item:

- (1) Proposed RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY ON EAST SIDE OF FAIRFIELD AVENUE FOR \$20,910.00 - As approved by the Board of Finance and in conjunction with revised assessment by Tax Assessor - Board of Representatives previously approved authorization to sell this parcel for a price of not less than \$74,677.50 by the adoption of Res. No. 990 on 2-3-75 - (Mayor's letter of 5-6-75)

MR. ROSS said the Planning & Zoning Committee voted to recommend rejection of the proposed resolution. He said for the convenience of the Board he would MOVE for approval of the resolution. Seconded and LOST on voice vote.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - William Flanagan

MR. FLANAGAN noted that the foundation permit has been issued for the Marriott Hotel and work has commenced on the pilings.

In response to a question from MR. MORABITO, MR. FLANAGAN said he had had no previous knowledge about the URC being sued for a motor vehicle accident and said he will check on it the first thing tomorrow.

COMMITTEE ON RE-NAMING OF MUNICIPAL FACILITIES - Algird Cibulskas

MR. CIBULSKAS said the Committee has completed a series of meetings with the various departments that might be affected by guidelines that will be proposed. He said there have been four meetings during this past month, one each with the Park Department, the Board of Recreation, the Planning Board and the Engineering Department. He said they have gotten a tremendous amount of input and now the Committee has to review all the material and propose a set of guidelines which he hoped would be ready for the next Board meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

THE PRESIDENT noted that the Mayor will have the first report to the Board concerning the recommendations of the Special Investigation Committee ready for the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

MR. DeROSE read the following letter dated May 22, 1975 to the Board:

"Dear Dr. Loter:

"During the 1974 fiscal year budget meeting Mr. Salvan Ross, Democratic Representative of the 15th District, elected to vote on all municipal telephone and telegraph accounts amounting to \$80,356. On May 12, 1975 (during the 1975 fiscal year budget meeting) Mr. Ross abstained from voting on the very same accounts. In both instances he was an employee of the Southern New England Telephone Company. Mr. Ross' act of abstention clearly suggests a conflict of interest by his own admission.

"In light of said circumstances we feel it imperative that answers to the following questions be given:

1. Why did Mr. Ross feel it proper to vote on telephone and telegraph accounts in 1974 and not in 1975?
2. Did the telephone company influence Mr. Ross' decision to vote on the telephone accounts?
3. What is Mr. Ross' job with the telephone Company? Was Mr. Ross promoted since his vote on last year's budget?
4. Does Mr. Ross service municipal telephones?
5. Allegedly Mr. Ross has been seen in the vicinity of City Hall during regular work hours. If this be true, it gives rise to other pertinent questions that must be explored.

"Dr. Loter, we feel it is the Ethics Board duty and responsibility to clear the air regarding Mr. Ross' apparent breach of ethics.

"Enclosed is an itemized list of telephone accounts voted on by Mr. Ross."

(signed) Joseph R. DeRose D-15
Vincent R. Martino D-10
Anthony D. Truglia D-5

MR. DeROSE MOVED that this matter be placed before the Steering Committee. Seconded and LOST.

THE PRESIDENT noted that as a practical matter Mr. DeRose as a member of the Steering Committee could bring this matter up at the next meeting of the Steering Committee.

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MR. CROSBY MOVED that a Committee be formed to plan a day's outing for members of the Board of Representatives and invited City officials to be held in July or August. Seconded and CARRIED.

THE PRESIDENT asked that anyone interested in being on the Committee speak to him.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion, duly seconded and CARRIED, the meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Sally Flaherty
Sally Flaherty
Administrative Assistant and
(Recording Secretary)

APPROVED:

Frederick E. Miller, Jr.
Frederick E. Miller, Jr., President
13th Board of Representatives

Note: The above meeting was broadcast in its entirety over Radio Station WSTC.

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