

MINUTES OF MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1978 REGULAR MEETING

15th BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

Stamford, Connecticut

A regular monthly meeting of the 15th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, was held on Monday, December 4, 1978, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Municipal Office Building, Second Floor, 429 Atlantic Street, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:23 P.M. by the President, John Wayne Fox, after both parties had met in caucus.

INVOCATION: The Rev. Fr. Michael D'Elia, St. John's Roman Catholic Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President of the Board Wayne Fox.

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ROLL CALL: CLERK DIANE RAYMOND called the Roll. There were 38 members present and 2 absent. The absent members were Lorraine Parker and Michael Morgan.

The CHAIR declared a QUORUM.

CHECK OF THE VOTING MACHINE: Found to be in good working order by the President.

MR. FOX said he felt that the Invocation that was given was very appropriate. He said we may need some of those virtues Father D'Elia referred to before this evening is over.

MR. FOX also said the CHAIR would recognize the fact which he thinks is satisfying to both Republican and Democratic members of this Board, that being the fact that almost for the first time in over 50 years, the City of Stamford has a State Representative who was elected SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, ERNEST ABATE of Stamford, which I think will be very beneficial and helpful to all the citizens of this City.

FILLING OF VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF EDUCATION due to the death of David Arthur Austin, Jr., who passed away Sept. 22, 1978.

MR. POLLARD placed in nomination the name of S. A. SIGNORE. SECONDED.

MR. POLLARD said contrary to irresponsible slurs and accusations of political cronyism and other similarly unintelligent comments, he takes personal pleasure in nominating SAL SIGNORE for the BOARD OF EDUCATION. He said he felt it necessary to mention that two other very fine and reputable people have expressed interest in the Board of Education vacancy. That under different circumstances, he would have been pleased to nominate one of them tonight. In any event, he would hope their interest in the community and political service will

MR. POLLARD (continuing).....continue. There are real and good reasons for supporting Sal. Sal was born in Stamford and has been working for a better Stamford for most of his life. He has been an elected official for the last five years which he has been told is as long as one of the other candidates has been a registered Stamford voter. Sal has spent his entire career in business finance, including long periods of time as a controller. His financial expertise substantially exceeds that of the other candidates. Sal has children in the Stamford schools. Sal won the endorsement of the Republican Town Committee by a majority vote for this vacancy. Some Board members apparently don't like that outcome, but it IS a fact. The public and the Democrats on this Board should know that prior to that action taken by the Republican Town Committee, the Republican Caucus of this Board of Representatives had agreed that the name of the person who would fill the vacancy on the Board of Education would come from the Republican Town Committee. Obviously, the outcome did not suit the fancy of some, and must once again widen the schism of a divided Republican Party, and once again they believe the axe swinging from the political maxim "Don't get mad; get even" will not descend upon their necks. He said he is sure his words have not dissuaded the opinions some had before entering this room and that was not his intention. All he has done is express to you his reasons why he thinks Sal Signore is the better candidate and he thanks you for letting him present them.

MRS. SANTY said she is proud to SECOND the nomination of S. A. SIGNORE. She said he is extremely capable and qualified to fill the position, and he will be difficult to replace in the 18th District. The taxpayers of this town need his expertise, his business expertise, on the Board of Education. She said she and Sal have been in four consecutive elections together and they appeal to their constituents on a person-to-person, door-to-door basis, throughout the year, not just at election time; and in fact have always refused party endorsements even when offered and when they have run unopposed because they believe in open primaries. They do not believe in any type of political cronyism. Each time, they took out petitions and went door-to-door. A check of the voting of the last municipal election shows evidence of overwhelming support of S. A. Signore. Mrs. Santy asks each of you tonight to support him because (1) his business background is valuable and needed; (2) he is fiscally conservative and the taxpayers want conservatism; (3) he is highly-qualified; (4) he will be outspoken for what he believes is right; (5) he will not be dictated to; and (6) the Board of Education needs him in this capacity.

MR. DeLUCA said he is honored to second this nomination of S. A. Signore, who has been a dedicated civil servant, serving his constituents with dignity and with honor. He is a product of the Stamford school system, having seen the system grow from 1 to 3 public high schools. He has supported the programs and issues that were for the welfare of the public; and most recently strongly advocated a four-year program at UCONN so Stamford students could live home, hold part-time jobs, and receive a college education, enabling them to hold better jobs and be more productive and useful citizens. Many of Stamford's long-time taxpayers cannot afford to send their children away to college with the high cost of tuition, board-and-room, etc.

MR. HAYS placed in nomination the name of MRS. JEANNE CARPENTER. SECONDED.

MR. HAYS said he would try to be succinct and try not to match the eloquence of his distinguished colleagues who have nominated and seconded Mrs. Carpenter's opponent. He said last August the Republican Town Committee endorsed Mrs. Carpenter. She was drafted. She did not solicit the endorsement. She ran. She achieved the fourth highest number of votes of any City-wide contested position for election. She carried the City well and Mr. Hays thinks the people of Stamford showed the confidence they had in her. He speaks for himself as the Representative of the District from which he comes, and he carries what is his judgment of his district's wish. He cares not what other Representative voices as the opinion of his district; that is their business. Mr. Hays does care when a fellow Representative is influenced by others and not the opinion of his District. He challenges his fellow Representatives here to vote conscientiously the will of their District. He will support it wholeheartedly. He will stand by it. It gives Mr. Hays great pleasure to nominate Mrs. Carpenter.

MRS. MCINERNEY said they are 18 people who sit on this side of the aisle and they are Republicans in a no-win situation tonight. Many people will be hurt and the Party unfortunately may suffer as a result. She is deeply concerned about fairness and justice to all people who decide to become candidates for public office now, as well as in the future. A principle is involved with a dilemma which faces all of the Board members this evening. Mrs. McInerney said do we allow candidates to run and campaign for public office, and receive 12,000 votes as Mrs. Carpenter received from the people of Stamford, and she doesn't believe any one in this room received 12,000 votes ever, and do we slam the door in her face and say "good effort, Jean, try again"? Mrs. McInerney said it would be better to forge ahead and consider a person who was endorsed unanimously, was considered an overwhelmingly-qualified candidate and ran a hard campaign and lost. She believes Mrs. Carpenter accepted the endorsement of the Republican Party in good faith, and in fairness and justice to her deserves the right to be appointed to fill the one-year vacancy left on the Board of Education, although whoever is voted to serve from tonight on, will find it difficult to fill the void left by the untimely death of DAVID AUSTIN. She wishes that person much good luck and good fortune.

MR. FEIGHAN said, as a Representative from the First District, he is pleased to say that again a resident from the First District has come forth to show her concern for the residents of the City. He said Mrs. Carpenter's campaign is well-known, so he will not dwell on that. He just wanted to add that he is happy to vote for a constituent of Mrs. Carpenter's qualifications.

MRS. HAWES said she would like to SECOND the nomination of Mrs. Carpenter; that she could repeat many of the things that Mr. Hays and Mrs. McInerney and Mr. Feighan have said, but she will be very brief. She said Jeanne is very well-qualified; and that she is not saying Mr. Signore is not, as she thinks he is also well-qualified. However, for the credibility of the political process and for the Board to keep the trust of the voters, this Board must elect Mrs. Carpenter here tonight and she urges members to do so.



MR. LIVINGSTON said he would be brief as possible, but that some things that should be said here tonight have not yet been said. He does not feel to replace a seat held by David Austin with Mr. Signore does not at all reflect the constituency that supported Mr. Austin. The Republican Party owes to the downtown community something other than the dilemma we are in tonight; that the Republican Party, in seeking downtown votes, should not, cannot, replace a seat that was held by and served a constituency of middle-of-the-road type people, how can they reverse the roll of the people and replace that person with any other type of political personnel, other than the same type. That is a person of moderation.

MR. ZELINSKI said this is a very difficult appointment before them tonight. Since last week, he received numerous phone calls both for Rep. Signore and for Mrs. Carpenter. He accepts the challenge issued by Rep. Hays, and that is how he is going to vote, as his constituency wants him to vote. The second consideration which should weigh on this is that the Republican Town Committee, which is representative of the Republican people in Stamford, and they are elected as is the Democratic City Committee, that if the shoe were on the other foot and the Democratic City Committee made a recommendation to this Board for a candidate for a vacant office, that we would also respect that nomination, or recommendation. I regret to say that as of this evening, I have not received even a phone call from Mrs. Carpenter herself. Unfortunately, I do not know the woman. I don't know anything about her. I have never received anything in the mail. Rep. Signore telephoned me, talked to me about this. I have a resume on my desk this evening which I read. And, consequently, based on those three reasons, this evening I will cast my vote for Rep. Signore.

MRS. PERILLO MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

MR. FOX said yet to speak are Donald Sherer and Joseph Ventura. MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION IS CARRIED.

MR. BOCCUZZI MOVED FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE.

MR. FOX said there is a sufficient show of hands for a Roll Call Vote. He said as the name of each member is called, the member will indicate for whom he is casting his vote, and that the only two names in nomination are Mr. Signore and Mrs. Carpenter.

MRS. PARKER asked how many votes were required for confirmation and MR. FOX replied the majority of those present and voting.

CLERK OF THE BOARD DIANE RAYMOND called the Roll, which is listed on the following page.

MR. FOX said MR. S. A. SIGNORE is elected to the BOARD OF EDUCATION for the term expiring November 30, 1980, by a vote of:

S. A. SIGNORE	23 votes
JEANNE CARPENTER	13 votes
Abstentions	2 --
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	38 members



ROLL CALL VOTE ON BOARD OF EDUCATION VACANCY:FOR S. A. SIGNORE (23 votes):

Darer, Stanley  
Bernier, Raymond  
Ferrara, Richard  
Tiani, Charles  
Perillo, Alfred  
DeLuca, Robert  
Sherer, Donald  
Corbo, Fiorenzo  
Pollard, Everett  
Santy, Jeanne-Lois  
Markiewicz, Henry  
Schlechtweg, John

Wider, Lathon  
Rybnick, Gerald  
Baxter, George  
Blum, David  
Zelinski, John  
Boccuzzi, John  
Carlucci, Leo  
Summerville, Annie  
Perillo, Mildred  
MacInnis, William  
Fox, John Wayne

FOR JEANNE CARPENTER (13 votes):

Maihock, Audrey  
Dixon, Handy  
Hawe, Marie  
Goldstein, Sandra  
Loomis, Ralph  
Hays, George  
Feighan, Michael

Raymond, Diane  
Ventura, Joseph  
McInerney, Barbara  
Livingston, Jeremiah  
Esposito, Paul  
Wiesley, Vere

ABSTENTIONS: (1) -- Ritchie, Mildred

PASSING - (NOT VOTING): (1) -- S. A. Signore

ABSENT FROM MEETING: (2) Lorraine Parker and Michael Morgan

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

MR. SCHLECHTWEG MOVED to WAIVE THE READING OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT.  
SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

The STEERING COMMITTEE met in the Democratic Caucus Room on Monday, November 20, 1978. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Wayne Fox at 7:25 p.m., the meeting having been called for 7:00 P.M. (There was an Adjourned Meeting of the Nov. 13th meeting to follow at 8:00 P.M. this same evening.)

PRESENT AT STEERING COMMITTEE (13):

Wayne Fox, Chairman  
Diane Raymond  
John Schlechtweg  
Handy Dixon  
Sandra Goldstein  
Michael Feighan  
John Zelinski

David Blum  
Lathon Wider  
Vere Wiesley  
Donald Sherer  
George Hays  
Ralph Loomis

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)ABSENT FROM STEERING (4):

Perillo, Alfred  
Morgan, Michael  
Carlucci, Leo  
Ritchie, Mildred

OTHERS PRESENT AT MEETING:

Lorraine Parker	S. A. Signore
Everett Pollard	Anne Summerville
Robert DeLuca	Audrey Maihock
Paul Esposito	Media

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(1) MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS:

All seven names appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA.

(2) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (FISCAL) ITEMS:

The Tentative Steering Agenda was prepared during the period between the Regular Board Meeting of November 13th and the Adjourned Meeting of November 20th; the Adjourned meeting of Nov. 20th being the same night that the Tentative Steering Agenda for the Dec. 4th meeting was considered. Also the Board of Finance met on that same night, November 20th, and passed additional fiscal items over and above those approved Nov. 9th.

The December 4, 1978 Agenda reflects the 27 fiscal items acted upon by the Board of Representatives, being a combination of items approved by the Board of Finance on Nov. 20th, Nov. 9th, or previously Held in Committee.

(3) LEGISLATIVE MATTERS:

All of the items on the Tentative Steering Agenda were ORDERED ON THE AGENDA except one, being a Sense-of-the-Board Resolution submitted by Rep. Maihock regarding police protection at the railroad station which was referred to the Transportation Committee. Also ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was tax exemption for the Stamford Jewish Center; proposed amendments to the Rules of Order of the Board; proposed parking-during-snow-emergency regulations; proposed ordinance re canine litter.

(4) PERSONNEL MATTERS:

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA was the one item of the Nurses Labor Contract.

(5) PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS:

ORDERED ON THE AGENDA were the three items appearing on the Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT (continued)(6) SEWER COMMITTEE MATTERS:

The one item on Steering Agenda was ordered Held in Committee, being the matter of request for an ordinance by the Sewer Commission to give elderly citizens options to pay sewer assessment per P.A. 78-301.

(7) PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MATTERS:

One item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, being a report on the up-coming Work Shops of Community Development programs.

(8) TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MATTERS:

One item from the Legislative & Rules Tentative Agenda was transferred to this committee and ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, being the Sense-of-the-Board Resolution submitted by Rep. Maihock regarding police protection at the Railroad Station.

(9) CHARTER REVISION MATTERS:

The one item on the Tentative Steering Agenda wherein the Charter Revision Commission asked for a two-month extension for their report, from Dec. 4th to Feb. 5th, was handled at the Adjourned Meeting of Nov. 20th which followed this Steering Committee Meeting; therefore it need not appear on Dec. 4th Agenda.

(10) RESOLUTIONS:

One item was ORDERED ON THE AGENDA, being a Sense-of-the-Board Resolution from Rep. Ferrara regarding condominiums, garbage and refuse collection, etc.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon MOTION MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED, the Steering Committee ADJOURNED at 8:25 P.M. (The members then went on the Adjourned Meeting of the Board which followed, beginning at 8:40 P.M.)

JOHN WAYNE FOX, CHAIRMAN  
Steering Committee

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APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Handy Dixon

MR. DIXON said the Appointments Committee met on Thursday, November 30, 1978, at 7:30 P.M. in the Democratic Caucus Room. Present and participating were Representatives Maihock, Wiesley, Boccuzzi, Signore, and Dixon. He MOVED to the CONSENT AGENDA Items #1, 2, 4, 5, and 6. (There were no objections.)

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

(3) PHILIP MORRIS (R)  
143 Hoyt Street  
(Replacing Helen Ellis)  
Held in Committee 10/30

APPROVED:  
31 Yes  
4 No  
3 Abstentions

Term Expires:  
Dec. 1, 1980



APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. DIXON said #3 is the name of Mr. Philip Morris for the Human Rights Commission. He said the Committee conducted a lengthy interview with Mr. Morris which resulted in an unfavorable vote of 2 against, 1 in favor, and 2 abstentions. The Committee, therefore, recommended denial, but to simplify the vote of the Board, Mr. Dixon MOVED for APPROVAL. SECONDED.

MR. WIDER said he had the pleasure of a long conversation with Mr. Morris and came up with the conclusion that it would best serve the interests of the City if this nomination were returned to committee for further consideration and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MRS. RAYMOND said she saw no point in Mr. Wider's recommendation simply because all the Committee can do is just really interview Mr. Morris again. She has known Mr. Morris personally for many, many years. Mrs. Raymond said his involvement in community activities and his willingness and desire to serve this community is very strong. She said the Human Rights Commission is a very good place for an individual such as this and she feels he deserves the right to serve this community the way he wishes. He is an intelligent man who has done a great deal of work with the Hoyt-Bedford Tenants' Association with which Mrs. Raymond is associated, as well as his own synagogue, and as well as running for this Board of Representatives. She sees no point and that nothing can be accomplished by returning this to committee. She said let's bring it out and vote on it.

MRS. RITCHIE said she agreed with Mrs. Raymond and was not for returning to committee.

MR. DIXON said he wished to point out that the vote of denial came at a meeting of only 5 members of the 9 being present, and were this to be returned to committee, perhaps the other 4 would have a chance to express their views on Mr. Morris. However, he is not speaking in favor of the motion. He just wanted to make that one point clear.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the MOTION TO RETURN TO COMMITTEE. It was DEFEATED by a vote of 5 Yes, 29 No, 4 Abstentions.

MR. SCHLECHTWEG said Mr. Morris is one of his constituents and is a highly capable individual who will serve that Board well and he is very much in favor of this appointment.

MR. SHERER said all often he sees in the paper appeals for qualified and/or interested citizens to participate in local government are not heeded. For a change, we have a candidate who everyone of us can say is most enthusiastic and cares so greatly for the City. He has yet to hear any negative discussion on his enthusiasm, on his sincerity, and his compassion. Mr. Sherer knows Mr. Morris personally and knows that he is the type of individual who is well-suited for the Human Rights Commission and would best exemplify the spirit which we are looking for in individuals to serve our community, and he urged everyone to support Mr. Morris.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. RITCHIE echoed what Mr. Sherer said. She has known Mr. Morris for three years. He ran for the Board of Representatives in the last campaign. He is a hard worker. He is a good Republican. She urged his support.

MR. POLLARD also supported Mr. Morris.

MR. DeLUCA said he had a long conversation with Mr. Morris last night and asked his colleagues to vote for Mr. Morris.

MRS. SANTY said Mr. Morris is very enthusiastic, very capable, would do a fine job on this commission, and urged his confirmation.

MR. VENTURA MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

MR. FOX said yet to speak are Mr. Zelinski and Mr. Livingston. A vote was taken on the MOTION TO MOVE THE QUESTION. CARRIED.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the confirmation of Mr. Philip Morris. MOTION CARRIED with a vote of 31 yes, 4 no, 3 abstentions.

MR. DIXON said #7, Mr. Greenberg, is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

BOARD OF ETHICSTerm Expires:

(7) ED GREENBERG (D)  
677 West Hill  
(Replacing Allen Kaltman)  
Held in Committee 10/30

HELD IN COMMITTEE  
12/4/78

June 30, 1982

MR. DIXON MOVED for APPROVAL of the CONSENT AGENDA Items #1, 2, 4, 5, 6. SECONDED. CARRIED.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Sandra Goldstein

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Fiscal met on Wednesday, November 29, 1978. Present were Representatives Rybnick, Hawe, Esposito, Ritchie, Wiesley, Livingston, Zelinski and Goldstein. Other Board members present were Reps. MacInnis, Alfred Perillo, Markiewicz, Summerville, Wider, Blum, Maihock and DeLuca. On the Agenda there is a total of \$956,494.00 in additional operating appropriation requests, and \$381,931.00 in additional amendments to the Capital Projects Budgets. Everybody has a copy. Fiscal voted to HOLD Items #1, #6, #10, representing \$2,784.84. Fiscal voted to CUT \$2,000.00 from Item #7 (changed in the course of this meeting). Items 3 and 5 for \$45,213.88 are Grants, revenue-offsetting items that have no effect on local tax rates. \$309,258.00, item #27 on the agenda, has been set aside in the Contingency Fund specifically for contracts. \$53,624.00 which is represented by Items #14, #16, #17, #19 has been set aside in the Contingency Fund for street cleaning and Hurricane Barrier and will also have no effect on this year's tax rates. On the Capital Projects requests \$218,931.47 which is Item #8 represents a transfer and will have no effect on this year's tax rates. I would like to thank Mrs. McEvoy for typing this up so quickly for me this afternoon for this evening's distribution. I appreciate that.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said the following items are to go on the CONSENT AGENDA: Fiscal Items 2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26. In each case where a secondary committee was involved, that committee concurred in putting the item on the Consent Agenda. In those cases where there was no secondary committee report, on Items #8, #13, motions were made to Suspend the Rules, which were Seconded and Approved in each case. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA were #12, #26.

Note: Rep. Schlechtweg ABSTAINING from participating in Fiscal Item #17 being an appropriation for telephone service for the Hurricane Barrier.

(1) \$ 663.84 - COMMISSION ON AGING - Code 290.1330 - MEDICAL & LIFE.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Item #1 is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

(4) \$1,500.00 - FINANCE DEPARTMENT - Code 240.5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said all the fiscal items on the Agenda which are entitled Commissioner of Finance should really read Finance Department. Item #4 covers the cost of legal fees in the Internal Revenue Service suit against the City wherein they claim the City is liable for withholding the tax of police officers who independently contract out their services on their days off, or their hours off duty. The employer is not responsible for withholding the taxes and the IRS claims the City should be liable. Now, if we were liable, we would be liable in an amount of from \$72,000 to \$75,000 and that is why we need the \$1,500.00, to fight it in court. On this, we voted 7 in favor and 1 abstention, and I so MOVE. SECONDED.

MR. BOCCUZZI asked if this money would not have to be put in by the Police Department for people who work.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Greenwich fought the same kind of a suit last year and won it in court. However, the IRS say they are going to take this type of thing into court case by case, city by city. The City employs police and firemen in their respective capacities and makes the proper payroll deductions. The City has no control or knowledge of the people or firms which may employ policemen or firemen in their off-duty time, have no records of such transactions, so it is unreasonable for IRS to expect the City to make payroll deductions from compensation made by other parties of which the City has no knowledge. However, we must fight it, or else we are liable says IRS.

MR. ZELINSKI said in fiscal 77/78 we spent \$2,150.00 fighting this matter. He said his committee met January 10, 1978 at which time Finance Commissioner Dwight Hadley gave them a report stating "No action is required by the Board of Representatives and the letter is for informational purposes only." The letter referred is one from the Chairman of our Board of Finance which advises Greenwich that Stamford does not withhold such income tax from those kind of wages and we would be willing to cooperate with Greenwich in contesting the IRS position. Mr. Zelinski wonders why, after being told no action is necessary by this Board last year, that \$2,150.00 was spent; and now an additional \$1,500.00 is being requested. He cannot vote for this.



FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said that expense incurred by a different Finance Commissioner was because Stamford hoped to be able to latch on to the Greenwich case and were therefore working hand-in-hand with Greenwich in an effort to have that decision ultimately apply to us, too. We failed in that regard because the IRS refused to act in that fashion. Mrs. Goldstein said she would hate to jeopardize \$72,000.00 for \$1,500.00 in consulting fees, and we must have a tax specialist in this instance.

MR. ESPOSITO said the situation is that the police officers receive a salary for working for private contractors and in many cases the contractors do not take the taxes out, which means that it is the individual police officer's responsibility to file this on his income tax return. In many cases, the officers have not allegedly reported this income. The logic of the IRS is that it is easier to take the City of Stamford as one entity and try to beat them and then get \$75,000.00 in total as opposed to trying to take 220 individual police officers to court step-by-step individually, so they feel they are much better off taking the City as a group. We can't allow this to happen because if we don't fight it, we are out \$72,000.00.

MR. WIESLEY MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED.

MR. FOX said yet to speak are Mr. Bernier, Mr. Sherer, and Mr. Zelinski for the second time. The MOTION to Move the Question CARRIED.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the main motion of \$1,500.00, Item #4, and it CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY by voice vote.

(6) \$ 765.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PARKS - Code 620.1110 SALARIES.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Item #6 is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

(7) \$3,915.00 - TAX ASSESSOR'S OFFICE - Code 250.2921 PRINTING - Tax Books.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this is to cover the cost of printing 2,000 additional tax books which, by Charter, the City is obliged to provide to whomever asks. Fiscal voted to cut the appropriation to \$2,000.00, since there are currently only 400 people waiting for a copy of the book as opposed to the 2,000 copies that they wish to distribute. Fiscal voted 8-0 in favor of this cut and she so MOVED. However, some additional information just came to the attention of Fiscal and they have some very good reasons not to cut and to leave the appropriation as it was.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN MOVED as per the Fiscal Committee's vote, and then MOVED TO AMEND as an individual, to approve the entire amount of \$3,915.00 in view of the later knowledge received. SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI said he voted in favor of the cut at the Fiscal meeting; however, he, too, received additional information which has a strong bearing on this item and he MOVES that this request be kept at \$3,915.00. SECONDED also.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. FOX called for a vote on the Motion to amend the initial proposal coming out of Fiscal Committee. MOVED and SECONDED. CARRIED with NO votes from Mr. Darer, Mr. Ferrara, and Mrs. Ritchie; the rest YES votes (voice votes). MR. FOX then called for a vote on the Main Motion of \$3,915.00 which was APPROVED with one No vote, Mr. Darer, and the balance YES votes (voice).

(10) \$ 1,356.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - Code 550.1110 78/79 Salaries.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this item #10 is being HELD IN COMMITTEE.

(12) \$30,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - AMEND 78/79 CAPITAL BUDGET - #341.1041 BUREAU OF SANITATION, SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT - REHABILITATION OF CENTRIFUGES.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this \$30,000.00 is over and above what the City had estimated what the cost would be. Fiscal had requested of the Public Works Department an itemization of which Capital Projects were finished in the hopes that a transfer could be made rather than an additional appropriation. The evening of the meeting Mr. Black told Fiscal there were a number of projects that were completed and from which, under different circumstances, the money could be transferred. Because this appropriation has been in arrears, rather this bill, for about four or five months, and because it is urgent that these centrifuges go back to the contractor for some additional work, not these particular ones, but some new ones that we need. Mr. Black, Mr. Canino, and Mr. Canavan feel very strongly and urge us to approve this additional request rather than have the process started for requesting a transfer. Fiscal thought long and hard about this because they strongly preferred the transfer route rather than an additional appropriation, and finally came down on the side of granting Mr. Canavan, and Mr. Mordach their request and voted 8-0 in favor, and she so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. PERILLO said Public Works Committee concurs, by a vote of 5-0.

MR. DeLUCA said he appreciated how hard Mrs. Goldstein and her committee tried to get Mr. Canavan and Mr. Black to transfer funds. It behooves him to vote no on this appropriation knowing so well that we also have funds in there to buy some trucks for the haulaway program which we no longer will be buying because we're not going into the Haulway Program on our own. Last fiscal year we showed a surplus of over 1½ Million Dollars, which could have been close to \$3 Million Dollars except we had to cover other deficit spending. I am sick and tired of sitting here and keeping on appropriating money for additional projects so the Administration upstairs can say look, we have a surplus at the end of the year; in the meantime throughout the year we are appropriating additional funds. Granted the bill was sitting idle for some reason or other for four months. The odor will continue except it won't smell as badly during cold weather. Rather than prolong the debate on other Public Works items, I left them on the Consent Agenda because for the same reason as the Haulaway Program, they also had money appropriated for salaries for additional truck drivers, additional maintenance work, which funds could have, should have been, transferred to cover some of these other additional appropriation requests. I would like my vote recorded as NO on ALL Public Works fiscal requests tonight.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. BLUM said he intends to vote against this because he heard at the Fiscal meeting this is not the end, that they are going to rent a Centrifuge because it has a slower process and is experimental. We cannot keep on going, experiment, experiment. When is the day going to come that we'll be burning the sludge in the '73 incinerator.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he would like to see a Sense-of-the-Board Resolution processed which would return this \$30,000.00 back to the General Fund from the monies remaining in completed Public Works projects. He will vote for this tonight as it seems to be considered really urgent.

MR. BLUM MOVED to RETURN TO COMMITTEE to study the fact of what portion Darien should bear so long as they are a tie-in to this Sewage Treatment Plant, what portion they have to pay into this plant. SECONDED.

MR. FOX called for a vote and the Motion to Return to Committee LOST by a vote of 7 Yes, 27 No, 4 Abstentions.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Mr. Boccuzzi's point is very well-taken and she intends to send such a letter on behalf of Fiscal.

MRS. MAIHOCK said she attended the Fiscal meeting and like Mr. Blum was a little bit distressed to hear that Public Works is still experimenting. That they now want to test a slower speed centrifuge of which the rental will be \$30,000.00, and the rental would be put toward the purchase price. That is all well and good but she is against continuous experimenting. She favors getting expert advice with a positive evaluation of performance using the equipment, the proper equipment for our purpose. It is not like a toy; it is sensitive complicated equipment and we need help with it.

MR. WIESLEY said this slow-speed centrifuge is not an experimental unit. It has been used all over the country and is successful in many other places, but as the people told Fiscal the other night, one man's garbage might be somebody else's gold and there is a difference in garbage at every type of location, as it can be a mix of industrial or whatever. This unit has possibilities and the experimental part is how much water will this slow-speed centrifuge take out versus the higher speed that we have been using. If it is successful then we will reduce our haulaway cost because we'll end up with a drier material to start with more water taken out. It could around and be a definite plus to us in the long run and we should try it.

MR. RYBNICK said we owe these people \$30,000.00 and this must be paid. They expect this money, and if there is a breakdown and this money is not paid, Public Works may not get any more service from them.

MRS. HAWE agrees with Mr. Wiesley, and we should not feel that Public Works is fiddling around with the Sewage Treatment Plant down there. She believes this company knows what they are doing and should be paid, and she urges everyone to vote for this appropriation.

MR. FERRARA MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the Main Motion for \$30,000.00, which CARRIED with 28 Yes, 5 No votes, and 5 Abstentions.



FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

(21) \$68,600.00 - GENERAL INSURANCE - DEPT. OF FINANCE - Code 290.1390.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said the increases in cost are due to we are now responsible for insuring the Sewage Treatment Plant, before it was the obligation of the contractor. The addition of the Bell Street Garage, the increased professional staff at Smith House, the liability for the Parking Authority, and most of all, 94 additional motor vehicles and other such rolling stock were found in the physical inventory taken of the vehicles owned by the City, and all of these have to be insured. Mr. Canino and the City insurer submitted a very detailed report, and Fiscal voted 7 in favor with one abstention, and she so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. POLLARD asked if Mrs. Goldstein had any idea of what the total City insurance bill is.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said if Mr. Pollard is asking about General Insurance, her figures show \$349,840.00 this year, up from approximately \$280,000.00 last year. Of course there are huge compensation, medical-compensation insurance costs. She said we spend millions in insurance; there is social security, et

MR. ZELINSKI said he would vote for this item, but in the package received pertaining to this request, a little thing disturbed him and that is of a premium of \$880.00 being returned dated July 1, 1978 (issuance), for the Libby Holman Treetops Estate; the \$1,500.00 for the consultant, and whether the City would be purchasing it or not had not yet been determined, yet somebody in the City purchased a policy to insure what we didn't even own. Someone should look into this. This is the second item that has come up when we're closing the barn door after the horse has gone out. This is serious, and while this item is a minor point, how do we know that maybe there are a lot of other things that we are not informed about.

MR. FOX called for a vote on Item #21 and the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

(22) \$ 607.00 - FINANCE DEPARTMENT - Code 240.2921 PRINTING.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this is to cover the cost of printing the Payroll Processing Study for distribution for the Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives last year. Fiscal voted 7 in favor and 1 abstention, and she MOVED for approval. SECONDED.

MR. FOX called for a vote. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

(26) \$275,000.00 - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Code 351.5520 - LANDFILL AND REFUSE REMOVAL, CONTRACT HAULAWAY.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this is to cover the cost of our Haulaway Program through to March, 1979, at an average monthly cost of \$90,715.00 Fiscal voted 8-0 in favor and she so MOVED. SECONDED

MRS. SUMMERVILLE said Public Works concurred.

FISCAL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. FERRARA said it was not so much discussion on this point that he wished to make, rather it was that he missed one of the other points which was on the Consent Agenda and it upsets him. He said our Mayor claims he is not a master of political cunning, and Mr. Ferrara tends to disagree. There was another item on the Agenda where, all of a sudden, the Mayor takes money out of the STREET LIGHTING ACCOUNT, transfers it to the HAULAWAY PROGRAM. O.K., about a month ago, Mr. Ferrara remembers the Mayor declaring an emergency in this City because the Board of Representatives, in ignorance or whatever, did not fund this. Yet a month or a couple of weeks after he creates an emergency situation, he blames the Board of Representatives, a transfer is passed through, and Mr. Ferrara finds this very disturbing, and he thinks some people owe an apology to the citizens of Stamford.

MR. FOX called for a vote on item #26 for \$275,000.00 for the haulaway program.  
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

(27) \$309,258.00 - BOARD OF EDUCATION - 1978/1979 PORTION OF LABOR CONTRACT LOCAL #A083 AFL/CIO and BOARD OF EDUCATION.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said this is to cover the cost of funding the 1978/79 labor contract between the City and the CUSTODIANS. Fiscal voted 7 in favor with one abstention, and she so MOVED. SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI said Personnel met this evening and voted 4 in favor with one abstention to concur and approve

MR. FOX called for a vote and the Motion was APPROVED with one NO vote (Mrs. McInerney); 1 ABSTENTION (Mr. Bernier), and the rest were YES votes (voice).

MRS. GOLDSTEIN MOVED the following items for approval on the CONSENT AGENDA: Fiscal Items #2, 3, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24 and 25 SECONDED. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY with the exception of Mr. DeLuca voting NO on all Public Works items; and Mr. Schlechtweg abstained on #17 for telephone expense for the Hurricane Barrier.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN MOVED to SUSPEND THE RULES to take up an item not on the Agenda being \$15,000.00 for the Police Dept., Code 410.1204. SECONDED.

MR. FOX called for a vote. The Motion to Suspend the Rules was LOST with a vote of 23 Yes, 12 No, 3 Abstentions. (Needed 2/3 or 26 votes.)

MR. FOX said they would now move to LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE and that Mr. Sherer would give the report because Mr. Feighan was away at the time of the meeting.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - Donald Sherer

MR. SHERER said Legislative and Rules Committee met on Thursday, November 30th, at 7:30 p.m. Those present were Representatives Darer, Raymond, Bernier, Markiewicz and Sherer. He said on Item #1 the Committee voted 5-0 in favor and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

(1) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTAL FOR TAX EXEMPTION FOR FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF STAMFORD FOR PROPERTY AT 3 HOLLOW OAK LANE - house for pastor.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. FOX called for a vote, and the MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

MR. SHERER said bear with me, with my lack of experience, because I never had an opportunity to make such a full-length report.

MR. FOX said this is your big chance, Mr. Sherer.

MR. SHERER thanked Mr. Fox but said he would not use it. He said he would like to MOVE on to the CONSENT AGENDA, L&R Items #3, 4, 5, and 7.

(2) OFFER OF A GIFT OF LAND ON LaNELL DRIVE ON SHOREFRONT FROM MERCHANTS BANK & TRUST CO. OF NORWALK.

MR. SHERER said his Committee wished to HOLD IN COMMITTEE so they could do more research and study, voting 5-0 to hold item #2.

MR. SHERER said Item #5 which is on the CONSENT AGENDA, is for publication.

(6) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING SEC. 10-26 (e) re HEATING FACILITY ANNUAL INSPECTION.

MR. SHERER said this Item #6 was approved by his Committee 5-0 in favor. MOVED and SECONDED.

MR. ZELINSKI said he was disappointed that this took so long to get finalized as he sent a letter on May 19, 1978 to the President pertaining to having something like this brought about. It is very unfortunate that now we are in the winter season and some residents may be without heat. In his particular district last year there was a fire as a result of a faulty part or mechanism in a boiler in the Bracewood Lane Apartments. He hopes that in future something like this would be given top priority even though he realizes the L&R Committee is a very important one and has a very big workload. He would like Mr. Sherer to tell him when the public hearing is scheduled.

MR. SHERER said if this is approved for publication tonight, along with another item which is relative to apartment dwellings, they would expect to have a public hearing prior to Christmas week, and be ready for final adoption for the January meeting in order to meet the urgency factor.

MR. ZELINSKI asked when is the proper time to change the wording, or amend a part of this proposed ordinance.

MR. FOX said this is just for publication, that a motion to amend can be made at any time prior to final approval. He suggested that Mr. Zelinski discuss any recommendations he may have with the L&R Committee before voting on final approval one way or another.

MR. FOX called for a vote on Item #6 and the Motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).



LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)(8) PROPOSED ORDINANCE FOR CANINE CONTROL - FOR PUBLICATION.

MR. SHERER said the Committee met on that and after discussing the merits of the proposed ordinance, voted 5-0 to reject it

MR. SCHLECHTWEG said he would like to MOVE to HOLD IN COMMITTEE Item #8. He hasn't even seen a copy of it as yet. He was out-of-town last week and did not have an opportunity to be present at the L&R Committee meeting. He can not debate it as he has not seen it, so he would like to ask the Body here to support his Motion to HOLD. SECONDED.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the Motion to HOLD IN COMMITTEE. CARRIED with a vote of 18 yes, 10 no, 10 abstentions.

(9) PROPOSED ORDINANCE RE PARKING DURING SNOW EMERGENCY CONDITIONS - AMEND SEC. 20-43.

MR. SHERER said Item #9 was notified by the responsible party that it should go off. It is basically WITHDRAWN at this time.

(10) PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF ORDER OF THE 15th BOARD - re voting procedures submitted by City Rep. DeLuca.

MR. FOX said he did not have an opportunity to speak to Mr. DeLuca about this prior to the meeting. In order for this item to be considered by the Board, the proposed Rule change has to be published in the notice or the Call of the meeting, so for that to be properly before us, it would have to be spelled out in the Call of the meeting on the Agenda. Consequently, Mr. Fox would have to say that it could not properly be considered this evening by this Body.

MR. DeLUCA asked if this item will be placed on the next Agenda and to whom does he have to submit it, to L&R?

MR. FOX said there was no reason why it could not be. He suggested that at the next Steering Committee meeting, L&R make a point of having that proposed change published in our Agenda for the January meeting.

MR. SHERER MOVED for approval on the CONSENT AGENDA of L&R Items #3, 4, 5, 7.  
SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. FOX asked Mr. Feighan or Mr. Sherer to get together with Mrs. McEvoy after the meeting to go over with her the final form in which these items are to be published.

MR. DARER said part of the discussion in L&R concerned the administrative matter regarding the use of the voting equipment, and they understood there is a switch which Mr. Fox could use to keep the Board lights off until all voting is completed and it was the intent of the L&R Committee to ask Mr. Fox concerning this.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. FOX said he was told there was such a button but he has not had an opportunity to look into it. First, it has been proposed as a change to the Rules of Order of the Board, and until there is some change, he will treat it as such. In addition, Mr. Fox said he would not unilaterally, without having had the opportunity to discuss it with the Leadership and with the Caucus, at least the Democratic Caucus, to take it upon himself to make a unilateral decision on what to do with that. He suggests it be dealt with in the month of January, as they will deal with the other proposed Rule change. Between now and then there will be sufficient opportunity to discuss it with Leadership and also with Caucus, and at the same time L&R could make a final determination whether or not it would come out as a proposed amendment of the Rules, or whether they want to change that and deal with it simply as a decision to be made by the CHAIR.

MR. DARER said he was sorry that it couldn't be discuss now a little bit further as there is nothing in the Rules regarding whether or not lights have to be on each time people vote. (Mr. Darer's microphone kept fading out.) He said the L&R Committee in reporting it out decided that it is not a change of Rules, rather an administrative function, and that Mr. DeLuca's letter was in error calling it a change of Rules.

MR. FOX said that in that case he would rely on the second point he made and that is he would not unilaterally make such an administrative decision until he had the opportunity to speak with the Leadership, which he has not had.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John Zelinski

MR. ZELINSKI said Personnel met Tuesday, November 28th. Present were Representatives Blum, DeLuca and Zelinski. Absent were Mrs. Santy (due to vacation), and Mrs. Mildred Perillo due to sickness. With only three members present, there was no QUORUM. However, they continued with the business at hand which was the Labor Contract between the City and the Registered Nurses. Mr. Tom Barrett, the City's Labor Negotiator was present, as was Mrs. Agnes Malloy of the Registered Nurses Assn, and several other nurses. Mr. Zelinski called for a continuance of the meeting for this evening to be able to vote and give a committee report. They met at 7:30 p.m. and present were Reps. Blum, DeLuca, Ventura, Santy, and Zelinski. The Committee voted 5-0 in favor to approve and he so MOVED. SECONDED.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said Fiscal concurred.

MR. DARER called the Board's attention to the statement of the President's Chief Inflation Fighter, Alfred Cohen today in the press which cautioned all State and Municipal administrators about the 7% guidelines to curb inflation. He is a bit concerned as to the good of our recommending a 4% increase on Jan. 1, 1978, and a 6% increase on July 1, 1978, which totals 10% increase in one year. That is above the President's guidelines, or if we take July to July, it is 11%. He would like to make a Motion to Return to Committee until such time that this matter is investigated and we are assured we are not going against the President's guidelines and will not get into Federal difficulties.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

MR. BOCCUZZI asked for a POINT OF INFORMATION. He said if this is Returned to Committee, they have 30 days to act, and if no act is taken within 30 days, this makes approval automatic, so he suggests that if Mr. Darer is that up-tight about it, he should ask to reject the contract.

MR. DARER said that is a valid point and he will change his Motion to one to reject the contract then.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he would vote to reject this also and ask that they come in just for a contract covering July 1, 1977 through 1979, and not 1980 due to the possibility that under future guidelines which may come into being due to the possible restrictions that may be placed on taxation and spending by the findings of the Charter Revision Commission, as those restrictions may restrict 1980 pay raises. And if this contract goes into 1980, other unions may want their contracts to extend to that time period.

MR. ZELINSKI said rather than have this contract rejected tonight, he would rather have his fellow colleagues think about approval of the contract. They will be requested next month to fund this contract. He would rather see approval of the contract this evening, and between now and next month, they can find out the questions that Mr. Darer and Mr. Boccuzzi raise, which are very valid points, and he agrees; but he thinks it should be done this way.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he doesn't understand Mr. Zelinski at all. He said if we approve the contract, there is no question about the money. When we approve the contract, we approve the money. What questions could you come up with which will say we're not going to give them the money.

MR. ZELINSKI said he cannot agree with Mr. Boccuzzi because we approved the recent Police contract and the Board of Finance held up the actual funding.

MR. DARER reiterated they should seriously consider the powers-that-be in Washington and the very great effort the President is making to control inflation. Until this is adjudicated through our legal department that we are acting in a proper manner, it is probably a great mistake to approve it tonight.

MR. WIDER said President Carter is talking out of two sides of his mouth. He speaks of 7%, but how about the increased cost of gasoline and other commodities. Mr. Wider said it is unfair to the nurses to hold this up any longer.

MRS. GOLDSTEIN said he would like to clarify one thing. Mr. Zelinski appeared to be speaking for her and she would just like to speak for herself. When you vote for a contract, you are committing yourself morally, in her opinion, in voting for the money. We are not going to investigate the money figure over the next month. If you are going to vote for the contract, you are going to also vote for the money to fund it later, when it comes up before you. If there is a hang-up over the money, then you should not vote for the contract, or vice versa.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. RITCHIE said this is the last of our Civil Servant Employee contracts, and the nurses are long over-due. It took three arbitrators to arrive at this decision and we should stand behind it.

MRS. SANTY MOVED THE QUESTION. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MR. FOX called for a vote on the Labor Contract and the MOTION CARRIED with a vote of 25 YES, 4 NO, 9 ABSTENTIONS.

- (1) REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LABOR CONTRACT BETWEEN CITY AND REGISTERED NURSES  
2% 7/1/77; 4% 1/1/78; 6% 7/1/78; 5% 7/1/79 thru 6/30/80.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - Leo Carlucci

- (1) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO CHANGE NAME OF PORTION OF WALNUT STREET TO WALTER H. WHEELER, JR. DRIVE.

MR. CARLUCCI said the Committee voted unanimously in favor and he so MOVES. SECONDED.

MR. MARKIEWICZ asked do they want to name East Walnut Street as Walter Wheeler, Jr. Drive, too, or just Walnut Street that runs in front of the plant?

MR. CARLUCCI replied just Walnut Street, as the only other resident it would affect would be 12 Walnut St., as well as #18 and #20. These residents have been contacted and are in agreement and Pitney-Bowes also stated in the form of a letter that they would go to the expense of any notification process for the change after publication.

MR. FOX called for a vote and the Motion CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (voice vote).

- (2) REQUEST FOR ACCEPTANCE AS A CITY STREET - UNDERHILL STREET.

MR. CARLUCCI said the Committee voted to HOLD IN COMMITTEE pending a letter from the Parks Dept. which the City Engineer has not yet received.

- (3) ABANDONMENT OF GARFIELD STREET - FOR USE AS A PARK - PER REQUEST OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING AUTHORITY.

MR. CARLUCCI said this is being HELD IN COMMITTEE until next month, pending a letter from the Corporation Counsel allowing them to set a hearing date.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Alfred Perillo - NO REPORT.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - David I. Blum - NO REPORT.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - George Hays - NO REPORT.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Mildred Ritchie - NO REPORT.

SEWER COMMITTEE - NO REPORT.



PUBLIC HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Lathon Wider(1) REPORT ON UP-COMING WORKSHOPS, ETC.

MR. WIDER said the workshops are designed as sessions to discuss the specific problems and needs of each and every resident in our neighborhood and funding therefor. Anyone who wishes can help in planning for the Community Development Program Fifth Year funding for Sept. 1, 1979 to August 30, 1980. Mr. Wider listed dates in December, January and February when there will be workshop sessions, public hearings, etc.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - John Schlechtweg, II - NO REPORT.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ralph Loomis - NO REPORT.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES  
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HOUSE COMMITTEE - Audrey Maihock

MRS. MAIHOCK said the parking gate mechanism cards are now available. Those who have not yet received them should see her. These are new cards, replacing those previously in use.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE COMMITTEE - Jeremiah Livingston - NO REPORT.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Paul Esposito

(1) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION re policemen at the railroad station.

MR. ESPOSITO said they met last Tuesday and the Police Chief was present to discuss the matter. MR. ESPOSITO said he would now defer to Mrs. Maihock to speak as she proposed the resolution.

MRS. MAIHOCK said at a meeting of the Transportation Committee on Nov. 28th attended by Chief Cizanckas, David Blum, Fiorenzo Corbo, Paul Esposito and herself, a proposed Sense-of-the-Board Resolution to encourage and stimulate action for sufficient police protection at the Stamford Railroad Station was discussed. The station has been a site of continued and numerous vandalism and theft of automobiles. Muggings have occurred; and recently, as reported in the Advocate, a stabbing of a person, as well as a report of a very traumatic experience of a commuter in Mrs. Maihock's district, who, when he said he had no money, one of his attackers said "SHOOT HIM"! Many people who must use the Railroad Station, have expressed great anxiety about their personal safety when there. Police Chief Cizanckas felt that the proposal in the Sense-of-the-Board Resolution would not be a solution to the problem, was not cost-effective, and that a more comprehensive approach was needed. He has provided specialized types of control that have been and can be put into operation any time there are problems in the area. He will be active in an effort to improve conditions at the Stamford Railroad Station, also attention will be directed toward development plans for the new station at a meeting with Mayor Clapes which is scheduled for December 18th with Louis F. Thompson, Director of the Northeast Corridor, and other persons.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE (continued)

MRS. MAIHOCK (Continuing)....Recognizing the need for improved conditions at the Stamford Railroad Station, State Representative Thom Serrani has directed a request to Mrs. Muriel Butterworth, Chairperson of the Public Utilities Control Authority, for a public hearing with the PUCA in Stamford to address the question of whether there are adequate facilities for the travelling public as noted in the Aug. 4, 1965 PUC order, Docket #10383, at the Stamford Railroad Station. In view of these hopeful signs for progressive action at the Station, I withdraw my Sense-of-the-Board Resolution.

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - Ralph Loomis - NO REPORT.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE RE  
SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT, ETC. - Michael P. Feighan

MR. FEIGHAN said he would like to inform the Board members that the Committee will be meeting shortly. Since the last full Board meeting, they have been in close contact with the Law Department, and he has a memo from Corporation Counsel stating that York Research Corp. is still doing a study, primarily on the Centrifuges, and would like to include the rented low-speed centrifuge in on the report. With that in mind, Corporation Counsel advises that the report is expected in January so they expect, hopefully, to be meeting soon on that.

SPECIAL INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE  
RE STERLING FARMS GOLF AUTHORITY - George Baxter - NO REPORT.

MR. DARER said he wondered whether we might get some ideas as to when this report might be coming. There was a big to-do about getting this investigating committee going, and it seems there are an awful lot of people that are kind of anxious to find out what the results are going to be, and it's been months now, literally.

MR. FOX said there have been a number of meetings of that committee, and he understands the report is in draft form. He cannot give a specific date as to when the report will be coming out, but he intends to speak with Mr. Baxter on that, and expects it will be coming out very shortly.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR - NONE.

PETITIONS - NONE.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE MINUTES:

MR. FOX said these minutes will be ready for our January meeting.

MRS. McINERNEY said she would like to make a MOTION to SUSPEND THE RULES to have the Board draft a letter to the Stamford Catholic High School and the members of the football team who were victorious in winning a State Championship Football Game Saturday in Bridgeport. They won the CIAC Class S State Championship and they should be commended. She MOVED to SUSPEND THE RULES to bring up a Resolution not on the Agenda. SECONDED. CARRIED.

MRS. McINERNEY said she doesn't have it in writing but she could stay and write it up for Mrs. McEvoy and it will only take five minutes. She said all right, the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford would like to congratulate all the members and coaching staff of the Stamford Catholic High School Football Team for winning the CIAC CLASS S State Football Championship. Stamford is very proud of the honor which your school brought both in our community and to Stamford Catholic High School.

MR. ZELINSKI said he would be happy to SECOND that, but the only problem is he thinks it would be better if we had it done in writing and he doesn't see any problem in waiting for the next Board meeting and having it done and done right, if Representative McInerney would agree to that. He doesn't think it is any problem with waiting one month and have it done properly.

MR. FOX said as Mr. Zelinski well knows, we have always insisted that all Resolutions be in writing and what is fair for Mr. Zelinski I guess is fair for you, Mrs. McInerney. Consequently, Mr. Fox would have to ask that Mrs. McInerney submit that in writing before it could be properly before the Board. If she will submit it, we can take it up in Steering in December and deal with it in January.

MRS. McINERNEY said they also have the Hockey Championship at that time.

#### RESOLUTIONS:

MR. FOX said there are other resolutions that we have to consider this evening, first being a resolution being proposed by City Rep. Ferrara.

- (1) SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION submitted by City Rep. Ferrara regarding condominiums and garbage and refuse collection, etc.

MR. FERRARA said before he goes into that, he would just like to comment that when this is finished, he would like, being on the prevailing side, bring up the policemen's money again, or ask for Suspension of the Rules, or Reconsider, whichever is proper, when he finishes, at the end of business.

MR. FERRARA said some of his colleagues say that he may be jeopardizing the City's position in the pending lawsuit by the condominium owners by asking for approval of this resolution, so therefore he will not act recklessly or irresponsibly and ask for approval of this and jeopardize the City's position. However, he would like to say a few words on the subject. There has been an ordinance on the books for many years. There are approximately 3,000 condominium owners in the City and all live within the sewer district and are entitled to have their garbage collected.

As a result of the failure of the Administration to implement this collection, approximately 450 condominium owners have filed a mass legal action against the City. The consequences or the ramifications of this law suit are phenomenal. The City and the Mayor have spent nearly \$1,000.00 on having the W. K. Williams reports prepared, then asked or recommended that a uniform garbage procedure be implemented. The present cost to pick up the present condominiums and cooperatives in the City is \$50,000.00. He just asked the Mayor about this and he feels the Mayor is dragging his feet and has caused these 450 lawsuits and possibly more to be filed. There has been a new ordinance 8-2 that's been sitting on the Mayor's and the Public Works Commissioner's desks for the last six months. Unfortunately, now the Courts will have to tell the Administration what ordinances they should implement and which ones they don't. He has an open question to the Administration and that



RESOLUTIONS (continued)

MR. FERRARA (continuing)....is, how long will the Mayor and his Administration violate the laws that this group, the Board of Representatives, have ordained? He wonders why we are here going through all these procedures on voting on ordinances, when the Administration decides which ones they should implement, and which ones they don't.

MR. FOX asked if Mr. Ferrara was making a motion to approve that Resolution.

MR. FERRARA said no, he withdrew it to safeguard the City.

MR. FOX said there is another resolution to be considered and that is a change in the January meeting date from January 1, 1979, which is New Year's Day and the first Monday in January, to January 8, 1979.

A MOTION was made to SUSPEND THE RULES to take up an item that is not on the Agenda. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. FOX said the resolution then would change the January meeting date from the first to the eighth of January. MOVED. SECONDED. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MR. FERRARA said he would like to MOVE to RECONSIDER under Suspension of Rules the additional appropriation for the Police Department.

MR. FOX said that Motion failed as a Motion to Suspend the Rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. You cannot Move to Reconsider a Motion to Suspend the Rules, so that motion cannot be made. That would not be a proper motion.

MR. ZELINSKI asked when would the Steering Committee meet next.

MR. FOX said Steering would meet on December 18, 1978.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS and INDIVIDUALS - NONE.

NEW BUSINESS

MR. ZELINSKI asked who would be taking Mr. Wilmot's place on the various committees on which he was serving.

MR. FOX said that was not decided yet, but he expected to make those appointments this week.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Board, upon MOTION DULY MADE, SECONDED, AND CARRIED, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m. Some members remained until 11:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

By: Helen M. McEvoy  
Helen M. McEvoy, Administrative Assistant  
(and Recording Secretary)

By: John Wayne Fox  
John Wayne Fox, President  
15th Board of Representatives

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