

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 1, 1989

20TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A regular monthly meeting of the 20th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, May 1, 1989, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 p.m. by President Sandra Goldstein, after both political parties had met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by the Rev. William Underhill, St. John's Episcopal Church, 628 Main Street, Stamford, CT.

"Let us pray. Oh mighty God, source of all our powers, virtues and blessings, we pray your loving kindness on the City of Stamford that it may prosper and grow in all things good; as well we pray for the government of our City and especially for the Board of Representatives here assembled. Guide them in all things; give them the will to seek your will; the ability to discern it, and the desire to follow it. Bless them with vision and courage; the vision of Stamford with all the health and beauty and fulfillment it might possess, and the courage to work toward that vision.

"Enable this Body to set forth the standard of ethical conduct that is worthy of its heritage and responsive to your claims upon us. Help us to find ways to clean our society from the curse of drug abuse in all its forms; may we by your help do our part to bring forth in our City that quality of life and of human concern for one another. You have taught us to be right and for which we yearn so that amid the competing claims of private interest, your will may be done on earth as it is in heaven and the welfare of all will be fully served. We ask this in the name of Him who is creator, redeemer, and sustainer of all. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Sandra Goldstein.

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 33 members present and 7 absent. Absent were Donald Donahue, Jeremiah Livingston, Garry Clemmons (excused), Elaine Mitchell (excused), Mary Lou Rinaldi (excused), William McManus and Patricia McGrath. (Mary Lou Rinaldi arrived while the meeting was in progress)

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: After test votes were taken by the President, the machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

MR. ROBERT DeLUCA for the late Saverio Boccuzzi. "Saverio 'Sam' Boccuzzi was the beloved father of our dear colleague, John Boccuzzi. Mr. Boccuzzi was a decorated veteran of World War I. He was known for his culinary skills especially around the holidays baking and cooking Italian favorites. I doubt if any of us will forget Mr. Boccuzzi's comments at John's birthday party, when he stood up and stated in a loud, clear voice, 'John is a good boy.'"

MR. NICHOLAS PAVIA for the late Rose Claps. "Rose Claps passed away last night. She lived on Virgil Street. I extend my deepest sympathy to her family."

MR. NICHOLAS PAVIA for the late Margaret Rosa Sibilio. Mrs. Sibilio was a retired teacher who was active in Stamford's Italian community. She lived on Ocean Drive North. She passed away after a long illness. She was born on September 11, 1918, in Stamford, the daughter of the late Peter Rosa and Rosemary Pavia Rosa. She lived in Stamford all her life. She graduated with honors from Stamford High School and was a teacher in the Stamford Public Schools for the past 25 years before retiring in 1982. She also taught in St. Mary's School for eight years and was an active member of the Stamford Education Association. Mrs. Sibilio was also active in Stage Door for Youth, a theatrical group, a member of the Board of Directors and past Vice President of the Italian Center. Mrs. Sibilio is survived by her husband John Sibilio, two daughters, Rosemarie Sibilio Flemming and Gaetana Sibilio, two brothers, Nicholas Rosa and Peter Rosa and two grandchildren. Mrs. Sibilio was a relative of mine but more importantly, she was a friend and whenever we went into her house, there was always enough food and enough love to go around for everyone. She will be greatly missed."

MR. BOBBY OWENS for the late Charles Outlaw. "Mr. Outlaw was the father of Rep. Garry Clemmons. Mr. Outlaw died on April 22, in Virginia. I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to all members of his family and friends."

MR. STANLEY ESPOSITO for the late Mr. Boccuzzi and Mrs. Sibilio. "I have had the privilege of knowing Mr. Boccuzzi and Mrs. Sibilio. Their passing will be sorely missed not only by their families but also the people that knew them well. My heartfelt condolences to both families."

MR. JOHN ZELINSKI for the late Saverio Boccuzzi and John Cameron. "Mr. Cameron won election to the Board of Representatives in 1949 and served two years; the last year as President. From 1953 to 1957, he was a member of the Stamford Board of Finance, also serving as its Chairman. He was also appointed to Stamford's Zoning Board from 1958 to 1963. He was a past president of the Ferguson Library and a Director of the American Cancer Society."

MR. THOMAS RUSSO for the late Margaret Rosa Sibilio. "I share my condolences with Nick Pavia on Mrs. Sibilio's passing."

MR. RICHARD LYONS "for the brave sailors who give their lives for the defense of this country in the tragic accident on the Battleship Iowa."

MR. THOMAS PIA for the late Saverio Boccuzzi and Mrs. Sibilio. "I had known Mr. Boccuzzi and Mrs. Sibilio and they will be sorely missed."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN for the late Saverio Boccuzzi and Charles Outlaw. "I did not get to know Mr. Boccuzzi but you get to know a person by their offspring, and his finest and the depth of his spirit really showed in his son, and the way his son spoke about him when John told me many stories of how his father gardened and drove at 94 and the values he instilled in his family, and last year about this time, when John's father beamed the entire night when John was honored. There is a lot to be thankful that he lived to see John being honored and to see such a fine family. My condolences to you, John and to your family."

"Also, my condolences to Garry Clemmons and to his family on the passing of his father, Charles Outlaw."

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PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated the first order of business per the Charter Sec. 2-10-3 is to fill a vacancy on the Board. At this evening's meeting, the Chair read two resignations.

The first letter was from Donald T. Donahue, Jr. addressed to Sandra Goldstein, President of the 20th Board of Representatives.

"Dear Sandy:

"It is not without some sense of regret that I now resign from the 20th Board of Representatives.

"For ten years, it has been a privilege to serve this City side by side with the fine men and women who contribute so much time and effort as members of the Board.

"While I am leaving the Board, I am not really moving that far away. I will still be serving the City but, of course, in a different role.

"Please be assured that the members of this Body will remain with me in a very special way.

"I look forward to continuing to work with you and the Board.

"Sincerely

"/s/ Don Donahue"

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said she accepted Mr. Donahue's resignation with mixed feelings. She said she was proud that Mr. Donahue was chosen by the Mayor as his Public Works Commissioner designate, but on the otherhand, since she has served on the Board, Don Donahue had served the City and his District. Don served as her right hand; as Parliamentarian, as Chairman of the Fiscal Committee; as a writer of resolutions and ordinances; as Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee and as general purveyor of intelligence, soundness, kindness and decency. She was happy for his promotion but sad that the Board is losing him.

President Goldstein said nominations were open to fill the vacancy.

RESIGNATION OF DONALD T. DONAHUE, JR. D-8th DISTRICT: (continued)

MRS. POWER said it was a great privilege and honor to place in nomination as her co-representative in the 8th District, Mr. Peter Nanos. She has known Mr. Nanos for many years. Mr. Nanos has lived on Houston Terrace for 22 years, and is currently a real estate investor. Mr. Nanos has been active in the Stamford business community since 1956 when he emigrated to Stamford from Greece.

Mrs. Powers stated that Mr. Nanos has always been an active volunteer in various community organizations and is presently a member of the Sewer Commission, a trustee of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Archangels, past president and current member of the Greek Athletic Association, and a member of American Hellenic Progressive Association. Mr. Nanos was also a member of the National Finance Committee for Michael Dukakis.

Mrs. Powers asked the Board to welcome Mr. Nanos and Moved his name to fill the vacancy in the 8th District. The nomination was Seconded.

MR. LYONS Moved that nominations be closed. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN ask the Clerk of the Board to cast one vote on behalf of the Board to confirm Mr. Nanos as the new representative from the 8th District.

CLERK ANNIE M. SUMMERVILEE cast one vote to confirm Mr. Nanos.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN administered the Oath of Office. Congratulations were extended to Mr. Nanos. Mr. Nanos took his seat.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN read the following letter of resignation from William McManus.

"Dear Mrs. Goldstein:

"It is with deep regrets that I hereby resign my position as representative for the 12th local district. It is with great confidence that I recommend the nomination of Rebecca Mitovich of 8 Van Buren Circle as my replacement.

"Very truly yours

"/s/ William J. McManus"

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN accepted Mr. McManus' resignation with regret. She recognized the many hours Mr. McManus spent as a member of the Fiscal Committee serving the city and his district.

President Goldstein said nominations were open to fill the vacancy.

MR. RUBINO nominated Rebecca Mitovich of 8 Van Buren Circle. He said she presently is a member of the Stamford Republican Town Committee and a former member of the Coliseum Authority and is very capable of maintaining the position. The nomination was Seconded.

MR. LYONS Moved that nominations be closed. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN asked the Clerk of the Board to cast one vote on behalf of the Board to confirm Rebecca Mitovich as representative from the 12th District.

RESIGNATION OF WILLIAM J. McMANUS R-12th DISTRICT: (continued)

CLERK ANNIE M. SUMMERVILLE cast one vote to confirm Rebecca Mitovich.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN administered the Oath of Office. Congratulations were extended to Ms. Mitovich. Ms. Mitovich took her seat.

Now there were 35 members present and 5 absent.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Sandra Goldstein, Chairperson

## REPORT.

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to waive the reading of the Steering Committee report. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote.

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, April 12, 1989, in the Democratic Caucus Room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by Chairwoman Sandra Goldstein who declared a quorum.

Present at the meeting:

Sandra Goldstein, Chairwoman  
John Boccuzzi  
Audrey Maihock  
Richard Lyons  
Scott Morris  
Ruth Powers

Thomas Pia  
Robert DeLuca  
James Rubino  
Stanley Esposito  
Maria Nakian  
Frank Mollo

David Martin  
Mary Lou Rinaldi  
Jeremiah Livingston  
John Zelinski  
David Blum  
John Roman, WSTC  
Anne Kachaluba

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were three of the six items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Held in Steering were the names of Carmine J. Vaccaro, for the Human Rights Commission; Louis Levine for the Environmental Protection Board and Harry Selin for the Commission on Aging.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the 18 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and two items brought up under Suspension of Rules: Designating the Fiscal Committee to hold a public hearing and accept applications for Neighborhood Assistance Act and resolution to file for summer busing program.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were four of the six items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Also ordered on the Agenda was one item from the Pending Agenda and that was (L&R20.34) proposed ordinance Amending Chapter 231 of the Code re vehicles and traffic. Ordered moved to the Fiscal Committee's pending agenda was the Feasibility of alternate means of generating revenue. Ordered Held in Steering was (L&R20.51) resolutions dealing with the use of city-owned vehicles for Dir. of Emergency Management, Director of Planning & Zoning and nurses in the Health Department.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

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

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered Held in Steering was one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda, proposed ordinance outlawing possession of dangerous animals in the city and one item appearing on the Addenda to the Tentative Steering Agenda, proposed ordinance banning the commercial use of polystyrene foam products.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were two of the five items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered on the Agenda was one item appearing on the Addenda, permission to hang a banner requested by Hospice and one item appearing on the Pending Agenda, resolution concerning the lease between the city and Sterling Farms Golf Authority. Ordered off the Tentative Steering Agenda were two items; Matter of vendors and day care in Veterans Memorial Park and status report on Kweskin Barn Theater.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item from the Pending Agenda and that was Standardization of polling places for all elections. Moved from the Addenda under Coliseum Authority Liaison Committee on to the Pending Agenda was the Status Report on Old Town Hall.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item on the Addenda and that was Review the City's Housing Code to give landlords leverage to evict convicted drug users.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the two items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

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

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was one of the two items appearing on the Addenda. One item was ordered on to the Pending Agenda under the Education, Welfare and Government Committee and that item was the Status report on the Old Town Hall.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ASSESS PRIORITY ISSUES - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

RESOLUTIONS - Ordered on the Agenda was the one resolution appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one on the Addenda. Also ordered on the Agenda were two resolutions brought up under Suspension of the Rules. One was Honoring John O'Brien and one for Gerald J. Rybnick.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Steering Committee, upon a motion made, seconded and approved, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Sandra Goldstein, Chairwoman  
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Mildred Perillo, Chairwoman

MRS. PERILLO said the Appointments Committee met on Tuesday, April 25, at 7:15 p.m. Committee members present were Reps. Perillo, DeLuca, McGrath, Schoenfeld, Boccuzzi, Fedele, Belcher, Summerville and Pia. Other Representatives present were Goldstein, Maihock, Rubino, Pavia, Nakian, Blum, Morris, Jetta, Mollo, Esposito, Senie, Powers, and Lyons; also present were Joseph Tarzia, John Roman, WSTC and Beth Cooney of the Advocate.

Mrs. Perillo placed items 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda.

E. GAYNOR BRENNAN GOLF COMMISSIONTERM EXPIRES

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| 1. <u>MR. CONSTANTINE A. BRANDI</u> (R)<br>67 Noble Street | Replacing F. Ferguson<br>whose term expired. | 12/1/89 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDAHEALTH COMMISSION

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| 2. <u>DR. ANGELO MASTRANGELO</u> (R)<br>19 Grandview Avenue | Reappointment | 12/1/91 |
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APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDACOMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS

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| 3. <u>MR. DONALD T. DONAHUE, JR.</u> (D)<br>131 Lawn Avenue, Unit C-5 | Replacing John O'Brien<br>who resigned. | 11/30/89 |
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Mrs. Perillo said the Committee interviewed Mr. Donahue for three hours. Mr. Donahue was asked many questions concerning public works. Other members of the Board present were given the opportunity to ask Mr. Donahue any questions they wanted and they did. Mrs. Perillo said they were satisfied with Mr. Donahue's knowledge of public works. Mrs. Perillo said she has been on the Appointments Committee for 13 years and has interviewed many commissioners, and Mr. Donahue was on top with any that had engineering degrees.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. PERILLO said eight people on the Committee felt Mr. Donahue was very capable of being Commissioner of Public Works. The vote of the Committee was 8 in favor and one against. Mrs. Perillo Moved for Mr. Donahue's confirmation. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK said a number of residents in the City spoke to her and indicated concern about the appointment of a candidate without an engineering degree for the Commissioner of Public Works.

She said her reason for voting no on this application was that she too felt the position of Commissioner of Public Works in Stamford is a position that must require an engineering degree and technical expertise if our City is to solve the many critical technological and solid waste management matters which beset our City presently. She said a Public Works Commissioner must have a superior technical background -- he can seek information from subordinates, but guidance in decisions must be his own. Mrs. Maihock also stated the Public Works Department is a very large department with a variety of subsections, and consequently, it requires a Commissioner with highly experienced management training and skills.

Mrs. Maihock commended Mr. Donahue for his years of excellent service on the Board of Representatives, and wished him a pleasant and happy future.

MR. ESPOSITO said that he has known Donald Donahue for over 35 years. He has known Donald since they started school together, college years and since. Mr. Esposito said Mr. Donahue is an able administrator and a knowledgeable individual; he is a person that approaches each situation with a sense of calm and resolve.

Mr. Esposito said Mr. Donahue's knowledge of the budget process and especially the Public Works Department's budget will assist Mr. Donahue in his new position of Public Works Commissioner. Mr. Donahue's overall knowledge of the city will give him a headstart in the new job. Mr. Esposito said that whatever technical expertise Mr. Donahue may lack will be supplied by the members of his staff. Mr. Esposito said Mr. Donahue is an excellent administrator and a man who uses good judgement and common sense and that is what the department needs. Mr. Esposito stated that Donald Donahue is the man for the job.

MR. RUBINO said there was a package on each desk from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities. He said the package contained job descriptions for public works commissioners for cities that have been looking to fill the job. Mr. Rubino said Berlin required a person be a registered professional engineer and registered land surveyor with several years experience in public works; Bloomfield required a degree in engineering, must be a licensed engineer in Connecticut and have eight years public works experience; Enfield required a degree in engineering, four years in a supervisory job in civil engineering or public works; Groton must be a licensed engineer and have experience in engineering or public works; Mansfield must have college course work in civil engineering or equivalent experience; Milford must have degree in civil engineering and experience in public works or professional engineering; Monroe must be a licensed Connecticut engineer with a degree in civil engineering and six years experience in civil engineering; New Britain must be a licensed Connecticut engineer with several years of experience in public sector engineering; New Haven must have a degree in civil engineering, some course work in public administration and at least 10 years of experience in public works.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. RUBINO: (continueing) Wallingford must have 10 years experience in construction or highway maintenance or course work in civil engineering plus five years experience and Watertown must be a licensed Connecticut engineer, must have a degree in civil engineering plus eight years experience or an equivalent combination.

Mr. Rubino said Donald Donahue is a fine person; no one will contradict that, but he had to oppose Mr. Donahue's appointment as a Public Works Commissioner because he did not think that Mr. Donahue has the qualifications to do the job. Mr. Donahue does not have the educational background or the equivalent experience required to run a department as vast or as technically oriented as the Public Works department.

Mr. Rubino said that at the Committee meeting, several Board members questioned Mr. Donahue on his lack of credentials and Mr. Donahue's reply was the traditional background and work experience in engineering is not necessary because there are engineers on staff.

Mr. Rubino said that argument did not make sense to him. Mr. Rubino stated it would be the same as Corporation Counsel does not have to be an attorney; the Health Director does not have to be a medical professional and the police chief need not be trained as a law enforcement professional. Mr. Rubino said it takes a professional to manage a professional; professionals were demanded in the past and this has resulted in big dividends referring to the Director of Health, the Director of Traffic & Parking and the Police Chief. Mr. Rubino said he must vote no on this appointment.

MR. BOCCUZZI said he approved of Mayor Serrani's nomination of Donald Donahue for Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. Boccuzzi said that anyone who has come in contact with Mr. Donahue will say that he is "top-drawer; they don't come any better than Mr. Donahue and you cannot find a nicer gentleman; you will not find a person who is more capable than Mr. Donahue in the City of Stamford.

Mr. Donahue has vast knowledge of the budget, the public works department and the entire city. Mr. Donahue's experience with the budget puts him ahead of anyone with an engineering degree. Mr. Boccuzzi said Mr. Donahue can fall right into the position; Mr. Donahue knows all the players and knows where to go to get things done and he knows how to get them done. Mr. Donahue is a hands-on person and will get involved from the bottom to the top.

Mr. Boccuzzi congratulated Mr. Rubino on the statements made by him on Mayor Serrani's appointments of Traffic Director, Police Chief and Health Director.

MR. JETTA said this Board took great pains in scrutinizing the qualifications and credentials of Dr. McBride. Mr. Jetta said the job of the Appointments Committee is a process of getting to the issues and making sure we get the best people. He was discouraged on how this process was conducted on the appointment for Public Works Commissioner. He said a resume was submitted as an after thought; there was no thorough search to find a candidate; one was given to approve or deny. Mr. Jetta said that during the questioning of Mr. Donahue, it was more a testimonial rather than asking is this man best qualified.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continuing)

MR. JETTA: (continuing) said he would vote no for the reasons previously suggested. He wanted the record to show that he was disappointed on how the process was conducted.

MR. LYONS said he echoed Mr. Boccuzzi's thoughts regarding Mr. Donahue. Mr. Lyons said the Mayor has given the City the best Health Director, Police Chief and Corporation Counsel. Now, the Mayor is giving the city the best public works commissioner, if approved. Mr. Lyons said in the cities cited by Mr. Rubino, in most cases, the commissioner is the only engineer. The City of Stamford is a large city and has a staff of engineers. Mr. Lyons stated that at one time we had two head engineers—courtesy of one of the Commissioners of Public Works. Mr. Lyons said that Mayor Wilensky appointed Walter Maguire as Commissioner of Public Works and Mr. Maguire did not possess an engineering degree. Mr. Lyons said Mr. Donahue will get the job done and urged his colleagues to vote for Don.

MRS. POWERS thanked Mr. Rubino for all the information he quoted from the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities. She said however, the information appears to be job searches for a public works director. The Commissioner of Public Works in the City of Stamford is a cabinet level position; it is not a contract position as described in the job descriptions. She said the towns each have a different form of government; some have a mayor; some may have a manager. She said the City of Norwalk now has by Charter, traffic and parking under public works. She said it was unfair to compare a job search to a cabinet level appointment.

MR. JACHIMCZYK said a question has been raised in his mind coming from Mr. Rubino's comments. Mr. Jachimczyk said if memory serves correct, several years ago, the City had an engineer as public works commissioner, and his training was so great that he was total cerebral that he did not realize that the Municipal Office Building had many code violations and he came to work there each day. Mr. Jachimczyk said we need an administrator that can deal with people and can show the citizens of the city that he understands and appreciates the problems. Mr. Jachimczyk said that because of Mr. Donahue's past record as a very able and concerned legislator, he is keenly aware of the fact that all city administrators are responsible to the people of the city and that is what we should be looking for; will he responsive to the people and he was certain that Mr. Donahue will be responsive to the people and Mr. Donahue will make sure the people in his department be responsive to the citizens of the city.

MR. DeLUCA said a charter change was made recently concerning the qualifications of the health director stating the requirement is a Master's degree in Health Education. The degree in Health Education would not give anyone the expertise of a medical doctor. The Health Director is concerned with the health of the entire community and does not need a medical degree. Mr. DeLuca stated he did not see why an engineering degree must be had to fill the position of commissioner of public works. Mr. DeLuca referred to Mrs. Powers' remarks regarding the job search qualifications, and those qualifications referred to contract positions and not a cabinet level position.

Mr. DeLuca said Mr. Donahue is an expert on the budget and Mr. Donahue has a great education with his experience on dealing with all city departments. A new public works commissioner that comes on each two years must go through a learning process and must rely on his staff. Mr. DeLuca stated that Mr. Donahue can do the job as Commissioner of Public Works.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. FEDELE said he was disappointed from the comments made by the representatives talking about the past appointments being used as guidelines for the present. Mr. Fedele said most of his questions were answered at the Committee meeting. He said that Mr. Rubino's input unfortunately came too late. Mr. Fedele said there are always guidelines for a position; they do not always fit but you try to get the best you can. Mr. Fedele said the engineering qualification Mr. Donahue lacks may not be as important as a potential lack of management skills. Mr. Fedele stated that on Mr. Donahue's resume, Mr. Donahue had one staff person reporting to him and had the responsibility of \$3 million. Mr. Fedele said Mr. Donahue would be moving to a department that has 22 direct reports; over 300 plus employees and over \$30 million; 11% of the city's total expenditures. Mr. Fedele said the question of management skills outweighs the argument of the engineering degree. Mr. Fedele wished Mr. Donahue the best in the position.

MR. NANOS said he did not know how many people on the Board had college degrees and did not want to insult anyone. He said that someone without a degree can do a much better job than one with a degree. Mr. Nanos said the previous police chief had a degree. He said the present chief does not have a degree and is doing the best job ever done in the City of Stamford. Mr. Nanos said that many with a degree know only what is behind the desk; a man's experience will get the job done.

MRS. PERILLO said she would remind Mr. Rubino and Mr. Jetta that the Health Director and the Chief of Police are contract positions. She stated that Mr. Donahue's resume was not an after thought; Mr. Donahue was asked for nothing other than his resume which all candidates coming before the Committee are asked for; he was not treated differently. The Committee went by the resume and by all the questions asked. All questions answered regarding public works by Mr. Donahue were satisfactory to the Committee. Mrs. Perillo stated as far as the degree, colleges do not give degrees in experience because each day on the job you learn something new and that cannot be taught in college. Many with degrees have the tendency to go by the book and not beyond their nose. She said a lot of common sense is required in a job. Mrs. Perillo said she did not think Mr. Donahue would accept the job if he did not think he was capable of doing the job; embarrass himself, his family, the Mayor or the people of the city.

MR. RUBINO said he was led to believe the positions were cabinet level; director of public works was a common label used. He said he saw no difference even if the jobs were not cabinet level; the job still had to be done. Mr. Rubino stated that although the Police Chief has no degree, he is very well qualified and trained in law enforcement.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve Mr. Donahue as Commissioner of Public Works. APPROVED by a vote of 29 yes and 6 no votes.

MRS. PERILLO Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

The members of the Board presented Anne Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant of the Board, with a cake in recognition of Secretary's week. Anne extended her sincere thanks to the members for their thoughtfulness.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Richard Lyons, Chairman

MR. LYONS said the Fiscal Committee met on Wednesday, April 26, 1989. Committee members present were Mary Lou Rinaldi, Jeremiah Livingston, Scott Morris, Richard Lyons, Stanley Esposito, and David Martin. Also present were Reps. Pavia and Senie.

Mr. Lyons placed items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR AUTHORIZATION OF PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION GRANTS FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION CAPITAL PROJECTS. This is for K. T. Murphy School asbestos removal and lead abatement and phase II. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/17/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

2. \$197,326.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR YEAR 1988/89 - CODE #330.260 BROAD STREET BRIDGE - additional appropriation for Broad Street Bridge rehabilitation project. To be financed by close-out and transfer from following accounts:
 

Code 330-266 North Street Bridge	\$ 20,462.76*
Code 330-580 King Street drains	14,764.81
Code 330-851 Kenilworth sewers	<u>167,247.00</u>
	\$202,474.57

\*Capital trail balance free balance.

Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/1/89. Planning Board approved 3/16/89. Defeated by Board of Finance 4/13/89.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

NO ACTION TAKEN - DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE

3. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE COMMISSION. This is to provide creative prevention activities. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/23/89.

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

4. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES. This is for student mediation. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/23/89.

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

5. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES TOTALING \$20,494,244.00 TO FINANCE CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani, 4/4/89. Board of Finance approved 4/15/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

6. \$1,199,248.00 - DEPT. 999-LABOR CONTRACT APPROPRIATION - FIRE DEPARTMENT VARIOUS CODES - additional appropriation for recently settled contract. This is for retroactive and current salaries. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/6/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

FY88/89 - 433-1110 salaries	\$ 13,159	
450-1110 salaries	389,145	
450-1201 overtime	102,666	
450-1202 holidays	<u>72,164</u>	
		\$ 577,134
<u>FY87/88 Retro</u>		
City fire	\$530,000	
Fire pension	92,114	
Total retro 999-9202		<u>622,114</u>
		\$1,199,248

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

7. \$ 282,933.00 - LABOR CONTRACT APPROPRIATIONS - DEPT. 999 - FIRE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT - VARIOUS CODES - VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS - additional appropriation for recently settle contract. This is for retroactive and current year. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/6/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

	<u>FY87/88</u>	<u>FY88/89</u>	<u>2-Yr. Total</u>
470-4330 Belltown VFD	15,854	32,794	48,648
470-4340 Glenbrook VFD	21,980	48,049	70,029
470-4350 Long Ridge VFD	12,958	27,392	40,350
470-4360 Turn of River VFD	<u>41,365</u>	<u>82,541</u>	<u>123,906</u>
	92,157	190,776	282,933

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

8. \$ 27,350.00 - VOLUNTEER FIRE AND AMBULANCE - CODE 470.4340 NEW HOPE FIRE DEPARTMENT - additional appropriation needed to update Scott air bottles. Bottles are used with life saving apparatus. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

9. \$ 344,854.00 - STAMFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT - CODE 450-1201 OVERTIME - additional appropriation for current year and contract settlement. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/6/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

10. \$ 45,000.00 - COMBINED DISPATCH - CODE 433-5150 CONSULTANTS - additional appropriation requested to continue consultants for services in combined dispatch operation. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

11. \$ 190.00 - STAMFORD YOUTH PLANNING & COORDINATING AGENCY (SYPCA) - CODE 205-7565 ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION - additional appropriation to cover additional funds awarded to City from the State. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

12. \$125,000.00 - SMITH HOUSE SKILLED NURSING FACILITY - CODE 522-1118 OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES (NURSES) - additional appropriation request to cover increased use of nurses and increase in rates charged by agencies. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/6/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

13. \$ 12,500.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - CODE 610.2210 MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS - additional appropriation request for new fencing for tennis courts at Scofieldtown Park. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/6/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, MRS. KENNEDY.

14. \$ 4,000.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2910 OFFICIAL NOTICES - additional appropriation for projected shortfall in account due to budget cuts and larger volume of legal publications. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance deferred 4/13/89.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

WITHDRAWN

15. \$ 3,500.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2930 OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES - additional appropriation for projected shortfall in account due to budget cuts, rise in postage rates and Charter publications. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance deferred 4/13/89.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

WITHDRAWN

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

16. \$ 650.00 - BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES - CODE 102.2610 MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT - additional appropriation for shortfall in account. This account used to cover maintenance of voting system, etc. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance deferred 4/13/89.

WITHDRAWN

17. \$ 5,520.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - COST SHARING GRANT - CODE 553.2650 NEW EQUIPMENT - additional appropriation to purchase computer hardware and software. This account is 100% State funded. Approval received from State to purchase equipment. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

18. \$ 380.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - COST SHARING GRANT - CODE 553-2650 NEW EQUIPMENT - additional appropriation to purchase computer software. This account is 100% State funded. More funds received from State. Request by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/5/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

19. DESIGNATING THE FISCAL COMMITTEE TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE ACT. Submitted by Ellen Isidro, Human Services Coordinator, 4/11/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MS. SUMMERVILLE.

20. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FILE AN APPLICATION WITH THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES FOR A SUMMER BUSING GRANT. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/21/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

MR. LYONS Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote; Mrs. Maihock voted no on items 3 and 4; Mrs. Kennedy abstained on item 13; Ms. Summerville voted no on item 19.

MR. LYONS Moved to suspend the rules for an item not on the Agenda. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

21. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVICES. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/23/89.

MR. LYONS Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. LYONS Moved to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

22. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION AND TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS FOR FUNDING ASSISTANCE TO SUPPORT A REGIONAL HIV SERVICES PLANNING PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/25/89.

MR. LYONS Moved for approval of the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote on the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. LYONS Moved to suspend the rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

23. \$ 25,000.00 - PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT - CODE 610.2110. MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS - additional appropriation for spraying against gypsy moths. Requested by Mayor Thom Serrani 4/10/89. Board of Finance approved 4/13/89.

MR. LYONS Moved to approve \$25,000 for gypsy moth spraying. Seconded.

MRS. MAIHOCK suggested the Parks and Recreation Director look into the use of sevin for spraying. She said the Director indicated that sevin would be used. She said this was previously a controversial subject. Mrs. Maihock also wanted the Director to look into the bacillus method of attacking the gypsy moths, and also Greenwich's approach to this before the Director makes an evaluation of what should be spent for this purpose.

MR. MARTIN said we are more aware of the environment now and the dangerous and deadly pesticides being used. Mr. Martin said if Mr. Neu chooses not to use the bacillus form of intervention (BT), he would not support this item. Mr. Neu pointed out that sevin is a more effective pesticide but it also has the ability to kill other things not intended to be killed. Mr. Martin stated that Mr. Neu said that anyone that does not want sevin sprayed in front of their house, the house would be skipped. A substantial portion of Stamford would be skipped. Mr. Martin said he would vote for this item this evening providing BT would be used instead of sevin. He hoped that other representatives would feel the same way.

MR. DeLUCA said that speaking with Mr. Neu this evening and Mr. Neu hearing all the comments, Mr. Neu said that he would not use sevin. Mr. DeLuca urged for the approval of the item.

MR. ESPOSITO stated he received some calls requesting that sevin not be used; that some other substitute be used that kills the moths but is not environmentally destructive to other types of living creatures. He said he spoke with Mr. Neu this evening and was told the Department would not use sevin. Mr. Esposito said knowing that, he will support the item.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Mr. Lyons; and one abstention, Mrs. Kennedy.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that Mr. Lyons is now the Chairman of the Fiscal Committee and Mr. Jachimczyk is Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Committee. Mr. Martin will be Parliamentarian. Mrs. Powers will take Mr. Donahue's seat on the Fiscal Committee.

MRS. MAIHOCK requested that when items come up under suspension of the rules, the dollar amount should be indicated.

MR. LYONS said that on the first and second items under suspension, there were no dollar amounts.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE - David Martin & Maria Nakian, Co-Chairpersons

MR. MARTIN said the Legislative and Rules Committee met on Monday, April 24, 1989. Present were Committee members David Martin, Maria Nakian, Ruth Powers, Kathryn Senie, John Zelinski, Michael Fedele, James Rubino and Stanley Esposito. Also present were Reps. Mildred Perillo and Robert DeLuca. Attending also was Richard Robinson, Vincent Akhimie and Sue Prosi.

Mr. Martin placed items 1 and 2 on the Consent Agenda.

1. (L&R20.11) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING SEC. 9.3 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CONCERNING THE MARKING AND USE OF CITY VEHICLES. Submitted by Reps. John Boccuzzi, Robert DeLuca, Mildred Perillo and Thomas Pia 1/4/88. Held on Pending 1/15, 5/18 and 10/19/88. Held in Committee 3/7, 4/4, 5/2, 7/11, 8/8, 9/7, 10/3/88, 2/6 and 3/8/89. Approved for publication 4/3/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

2. (L&R20.49) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II SECTION 214-30 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CONCERNING EXCAVATION BONDS. This would require a bond for all excavations. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 2/6/89. Held in Committee 3/8/89. Approved for publication 4/3/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, MRS. POWERS.

3. (L&R20.50) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUESTING TAX ABATEMENT FOR PROPERTY AT 1365 SUMMER STREET. Property owned by Wellspring Monastery, a Zen Buddhist Monastery. Request by Ellen S. Best, Secretary, Wellspring Monastery, P. O. Box 413, Pound Ridge, NY 10576, 3/6/89. Held in Committee 4/3/89

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. MARTIN said at the time of the tax abatement application at the Tax Assessor's office, the organization filed incorrect information and has withdraw/its tax abatement status. The Committee determined this item was not properly before the Board. The Steering Committee will remove the item at the next meeting. The Committee voted 8-0-0 to hold this item.

LEGISLATIVE AND RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

4. (L&R20.52) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE ABATEMENT OF TAXES FOR PROPERTY OF ST. JOHN'S URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. This applies to the site of the former Hanrahan Center. Requested by William J. Hennessey, Jr., Brennan, Dichter, Comerford, 105 Bedford Street, Stamford, CT 06901, 3/27/89.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

5. (L&R20.34) FOR PUBLICATION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 231 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES. This chapter pertains to vehicles and traffic. Submitted by Asst. Corporation Counsel Richard Robinson, 7/13/88. Amendment submitted by Rep. John R. Zelinski 6/13/88. Held in Committee 7/11 and 8/8/88. Held on Pending 8/17/88.

Above also referred to TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. MARTIN Moved the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Mrs. Powers on item 2.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Scott Morris, Chairman

1. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE "SALARY PLAN" FOR NON-UNION CLASSIFIED ADMINISTRATORS AS APPROVED BY THE PERSONEL COMMISSION OCTOBER, 1988. PURSUANT TO SECTION 5-10-3(b) OF THE CHARTER. Submitted by Steven Harman, Asst. Personnel Director, 2/1/89. Held in Steering 3/15/89. Defeated by Board of Finance 4/13/89.

NO ACTION TAKEN - DEFEATED BY BOARD OF FINANCE 4/13/89.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE - David Jachimczyk, Chairman

MR. JACHIMCZYK said the Planning and Zoning Committee met on Tuesday, April 25, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members William Belcher, Richard Lyons, Maria Nakian, Nicholas Pavia, Kathleen Reilly and David Jachimczyk. Also present David Emerson, Exec. Director of the Environmental Protection Board and David Sobrall of WSTC.

Mr. Jachimczyk placed item 2 and 3 on the Consent Agenda. (Note: these items were taken off the Consent Agenda after the vote on item 1 was taken)

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING FUNDING FOR OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION IN FURTHERANCE OF THE MILL RIVER GREENBELT PROJECT. The land to be acquired is 46-54 Greenwich Avenue. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/30/89.

MR. JACHIMCZYK said Mr. Emerson informed the Committee that approval of the three resolutions was necessary in order for the city to meet a state imposed May 15th filing deadline, and should the state act favorable on the application, the city would be eligible to receive up to 40% of the funding cost for each of the parcels from the state. Currently, there are funds available in the 1988/89 capital projects budget for the acquisition of the parcel known as 42 Main Street.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. JACHIMCZYK said the funds for the acquisition of the other two parcels are being requested in the 1989/90 capital projects budget and so far have passed budget review.

Mr. Emerson informed the Committee that negotiations resumed between the city and the property owner at 42 Main Street which is known as the Scalzi Paint property.

MR. DeLUCA asked what each parcel cost?

MR. JACHIMCZYK stated that the Committee did not get specific figures on each parcel; Mr. Emerson quoted a figure of approximately \$4.5 million for the projected costs for the three parcels.

MR. DeLUCA said looking through the capital budget in February, the 89/90 budget, there is only \$671,000. He said he intends to vote no on the budget item. He said he has been against the Greenbelt program since it was first proposed several years ago. He said very few people use the walkway along Washington Boulevard and also it is very difficult to maintain the grass. Mr. DeLuca said rather than investing in the Greenbelt there are more worthwhile projects such as providing for the homeless, possibly a teen center or continue with the sewer expansion. Mr. DeLuca said he would vote against the resolutions and urged his colleagues to vote against the resolutions.

MRS. MAIHOCK said she was amazed to learn the city's amount of funding is so high. She said that we may not receive all the funding from the state and the city would have to pay more for the parcels. She said she agreed with Mr. DeLuca. She said she likes the idea of a Greenbelt but what we have so far is not used adequately.

MRS. NAKIAN said these resolutions were to file for a grant that we receive 40% reimbursement. She said the money for one piece of property, the Scalzi property has been appropriated and we have no say for that one piece of property. She said there was no harm to apply for the grants with the hope of getting reimbursements.

MR. JACHIMCZYK said approving the resolutions is to authorize the Mayor to apply for the grants; it does not mean that the grants will be received. The resolutions will allow us to receive some money if we decide to purchase these properties.

MR. BLUM asked if people were living at 46-54 Greenwich Avenue?

MR. JACHIMCZYK said he did not know the answer to Mr. Blum's question. He said when the proposals come before the Board to purchase the property, the city will do all it can to find other homes for the residents if there are any living there.

MR. RUBINO Moved the question. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on approving the resolution to submit an application to secure funding to acquire space at 46-54 Greenwich Avenue. APPROVED by a vote of 17 yes, 12 no votes and 5 abstentions. After the close vote on item 1, President Goldstein used her prerogative and took items 2 and 3 off the Consent Agenda.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING FUNDING FOR OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION IN FURTHERANCE OF THE MILL RIVER GREENBELT PROJECT. The land to be acquired is 24 Greenwich Avenue. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/30/89.

MR. JACHIMCZYK Moved for the approval of item 2. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote on item #2. APPROVED by a vote of 18 yes, 13 no votes and 3 abstentions.

3. PROPOSED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE FOR THE PURPOSE OF SECURING FUNDING FOR OPEN SPACE LAND ACQUISITION IN FURTHERANCE OF THE MILL RIVER GREENBELT PROJECT. The land to be acquired is 42 Main Street. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 3/30/89.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked a Point of Information on Mrs. Nakian's remarks regarding the property at 42 Main Street. Mrs. Maihock referred to Mrs. Nakian's statement that the money for one piece of property, the Scalzi property had been appropriated and we have no say for that piece of property.

MRS. NAKIAN said the money for the property was in the 1988/89 budget, and it has been the intention of the city to purchase the property. The money is there and is ready to be spent; by approving the resolutions, we are asking the state to reimburse us for 40% of the monies. This resolution is not locking the city into anything, it is a chance for reimbursement.

MR. DeLUCA said the figure quoted for the acquisitions was approximately \$4.5 million. 40% of that would be \$1.6 and money is in the budget for one parcel, but another \$3 million is needed; he said we should be not be looking for new projects but should be concerned with what is ahead of us rather than looking for what the state will give to us.

MR. JACHIMCZYK Moved for approval of item #3. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to approve item #3. APPROVED by a vote of 19 yes, 10 no votes and 2 abstentions.

PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE - Joseph DeRose, Chairman - No report.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ruth Powers, Chairwoman

MRS. POWERS said the Health and Protection Committee met on Tuesday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Committee members Naomi Schoenfeld, Thomas Pia, Kathryn Senie and Ruth Powers. Also present was John Roman of WSTC.

1. MATTER OF ILLEGAL SALE OF ALCOHOL TO MINORS. Submitted by Ruth Powers, Chairwoman, Health and Protection Committee 3/2/89. Held in Committee 4/3/89.

HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. POWERS said present concerning the item was Chief George Mayer. Chief Mayer told the Committee the police have already stepped up enforcement particularly the liquor stores. The Chief said there is currently about a dozen cases pending before the Liquor Commission; sweeps are being made with liquor inspectors and surveillances have been put on several liquor stores. The police have confiscated kegs at Barrett Field and summons have been issued. The Chief indicated the major problem encountered is uncooperative parents. He said the cooperation with parents and the community is the missing link regarding alcohol abuse.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE - Robert DeLuca & Thomas Pia, Co-Chairpersons

MR. DeLUCA said the Parks and Recreation Committee met on Monday, April 24, 1989, at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room II. Present were Reps. Mildred Perillo, Thomas Pia, Michael Fedele, Bobby Owens and Robert DeLuca.

Mr. DeLuca placed items 1, 2 and 3 on the Consent Agenda.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONCERNING PARK STICKERS FOR DOROTHY HEROY AND SOUTHFIELD PARKS. Submitted by Thomas Pia, Co-Chairperson, Parks and Recreation Committee 3/15/89. Held in Committee 4/3/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

2. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION OPPOSING VENDORS IN VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK. Submitted by Robert DeLuca and Thomas Pia, Co-Chairpersons, Parks and Recreation Committee 4/5/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE NO VOTE, MRS. NAKIAN.

3. REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO HANG A BANNER ON BEDFORD STREET FROM JUNE 14 TO JUNE 28, 1989 TO PUBLICIZE HOSPICE CARE FUNDRAISER. Requested by Terri Thal, Development/Public Relations Director, Hospice Care, Inc., 461 Atlantic Street, Stamford, CT 06901, 4/10/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

4. PROPOSED RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STAMFORD GOLF AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD. Submitted by Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairperson, Parks and Recreation Committee 3/21/88. Held in Committee 5/2, 6/6, 7/11, 8/8, 9/7, 10/3, 11/14 and 12/5/88. Held on Pending Agenda 12/14/88.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. DeLUCA said the Committee voted to recommend a rental of \$30,000 per year, payable on or before January 1 and July 1, \$15,000 each payment. Richard Robinson, Assistant Corporation Counsel is revising the lease and it will be given to the Mayor for proper processing.

MR. DeLUCA Moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote on item #2, Mrs. Nakian.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. DeLUCA Moved for Suspension of Rules to take up an item not on the Agenda. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

5. REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO HANG A BANNER ON SUMMER STREET FROM MAY 16 TO MAY 28, 1989 TO PUBLICIZE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY.  
Requested by Mayor Thom Serrani, 4/25/89.

MR. DeLUCA Moved for approval of item #5. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for vote to approve item #5. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - John R. Zelinski, Chairman

MR. ZELINSKI said the Education, Welfare and Government Committee met on Wednesday, April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers. Present were Reps. Zelinski, Reilly, Belcher, Evanko, Powers and Russo. Also attending were Reps. Martin, Blum, Pia, Commissioner of Finance Paul Pacter, Joan Ackerman and Paul Moverly. Present for item 2 were Registrars of Voters Vinney McCauley and Nancy Tatano, and Town Clerk Lois PontBriant.

1. MATTER OF THE FUNDING OF THE SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE. Submitted by Reps. David Blum, David Martin and John R. Zelinski 4/5/89.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. ZELINSKI said the State of Connecticut intends on not funding welfare payments to the Smith House Residence clients effective July 1, 1989. The Residence is located on Scofieldtown Road and is a home for the aged not in need of nursing care. The facility has 50 beds which at present has 37 beds occupied.

Mr. Zelinski said until June of 1986, the Federal Government had been paying the \$500,000 annually to the home for the aged. He said the State of Connecticut then assumed the funding for the Smith House Residence. Mr. Zelinski stated the supplemental security income payments from the Federal Government will not be received if the Smith House Residence is municipally owned. Mr. Zelinski said the proposed concept the administration is considering now will be effective on July 1, 1989, is that the City of Stamford would by contract transfer the operation of the Smith House Residence to the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation, a non-profit organization recognized under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Mr. Zelinski further stated the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation and two affiliated non-profit organizations operate two elderly apartment projects in Stamford; Glenbrook and Rippowam Manor. He said the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation contracts with the Stamford Housing Authority to manage those projects. Mr. Zelinski said the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation would become a non-city agency whose operation of the Smith House Residence would be funded by city appropriations like the Library, Museum and volunteer fire and ambulance services.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. ZELINSKI said the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation's operation of the Residence would not have an adverse financial impact on either the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation or the Stamford Housing Authority. He said the contract between the City and the Stamford Elderly Housing Corporation would provide that the City of Stamford would abandon the function of operating the Smith House Residence; the Corporation would assume that responsibility. Also, the Contract would specify the required levels of service that the Corporation will provide at the Residence. Mr. Zelinski stated the City would lease the physical facility to the Corporation at no cost, and the City appropriations would fund the full difference, if any, between the Corporation's cost of operating the Smith House Residence and the revenues generated by the Residence.

Mr. Zelinski said the Corporation would be required to submit an annual budget as part of the City's appropriation process, and would be required to submit audited financial statements with 120 days after fiscal year-end. The Corporation would request City appropriations for capital projects at the Smith House Residence following standard City capital appropriation procedures in the same manner as the Library, Museum, and volunteer fire and ambulance services.

Mr. Zelinski said during the period July 1, 1989 to December 31, 1989, the Corporation will develop a staffing plan for the Residence that would go into effect on July 1, 1990. That staffing plan could include the issue of decertification of the Residence as a Home for the Aged and conversion to another type of elderly housing facility, such as congregate housing or single room occupancy elderly housing under the McKinney Act.

Mr. Zelinski stated finalization of the concept by ordinance or resolution will be done at the June meeting.

MRS. PERILLO asked if a copy of the concept proposal was sent to all members of the Board for their information?

MR. ZELINSKI said nothing was finalized; this was just the concept that the Commissioner of Finance Paul Pacter presented to the Committee. Each members should receive the resolution or ordinance for finalization at the June meeting.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said a copy of the report will be a part of the Minutes. A copy is attached to these Minutes.

MRS. NAKIAN asked if it were possible to get a copy of the report before the Minutes are ready; the report contained a lot of information?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated a copy would be going out to all members within a day or so. The report was a complete and well-done report.

EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. STANDARDIZATION OF POLLING PLACES FOR ALL ELECTIONS. Submitted by Rep. Thomas Pia R-7, 11/10/88. Held in Committee 12/5/88. Held on Pending Agenda 12/14/88.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. ZELINSKI said the Registrars of Voters and the Town Clerk were present at the meeting. The reason this item was on the Agenda was because there was much confusion at last year's elections when residents went to their local districts and were told in many cases they had to go to another district. Mr. Zelinski said the Registrars showed the Committee a large map which he hoped that a smaller one be sent to all members of the Board. The map showed the combining of the local and state districts. A letter dated sometime in March was received by all members from the Registrars of Voters stating that it would be possible to have one polling place for all elections; it would be using the present 20 local polling districts but they would be then divided into 45 separate polling areas. Mr. Zelinski said the approximate cost to do this would be \$50,000. Mr. Zelinski stated that at the next meeting, he would invite the state representatives and state senators from our area as well as a member of the Task Force that the State Legislature is having on the redistricting of the State of Connecticut. Mr. Zelinski said hopefully in four years, there will be one voting district instead of separate polling places to avoid confusion.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Frank Mollo, Chairman

MR. MOLLO said that due to a lack of a quorum, both items will be Held.

1. FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 625 SUPPLEMENTAL CONCERNING BUDGETARY PROCEDURES FOR THE STAMFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. Submitted by Frank Mollo, Chairman, Housing and Community Development Committee, 3/15/89. Approved for publication 4/3/89.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

2. REVIEW THE CITY'S HOUSING CODE TO GIVE LANDLORDS LEVERAGE TO EVICT CONVICTED DRUG USERS. Submitted by Jeremiah Livingston D-5 and Mary Lou Rinaldi D-5, 4/11/89.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman - No report.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Stanley Esposito, Chairman

MR. ESPOSITO said the meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was held on April 25, 1989, at 6:00 p.m. in the Republican Caucus Room. Attending were Chairman Stan Esposito and Committee member Audrey Maihock. Also attending was Beth Cooney of the Advocate and Robert Malinger Pearlman, a concerned citizen.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

1. STATUS REPORT ON CITY OF STAMFORD'S PARTICIPATION IN "KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL PROGRAM. Submitted by Stanley Esposito, Chairman, Environmental Protection Committee 3/15/89. Report made and Held in Committee 4/3/89.

MR. ESPOSITO said information was received from the Mayor's office indicating that \$4,000 is in his budget for participation in this program. However, three volunteers are needed for the program; currently there is one. When the full complement is on board, they will be trained for participation in the program.

Mr. Esposito said that approximately 40 hours of training is needed for the program. If a full complement of three volunteers is not received to participate in the program, it is the understanding that the \$4,000 set aside for the program would go into the excess fund account and put into the general fund.

2. STATUS REPORT ON SCOFIELDTOWN LANDFILL. Submitted by Reps. Maria Nakian D-20, Naomi Schoenfeld D-20, Audrey Maihock R-19, and David Martin D-19, 3/1/89. Report made and Held in Committee 4/3/89.

HELD IN COMMITTEE

MR. ESPOSITO said as a result of the ongoing concern of this item, the Committee is requesting that a broad spectrum water test be conducted on surface and ground water in the area. The test would check for the existence or absence of toxic chemicals in the water. Mr. Esposito stated that the test is a complex one and the test will be conducted by the State of Connecticut's Department of Environmental Protection water quality lab; resources are not available locally.

Mr. Esposito stated the Department of Public Works informed the Committee they are contracting to have the barrels and debris that emerged from the landfill removed from the site in the very near future. Some of the debris will be removed on "Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day" on June 10.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman - No report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE - David Blum, Chairman

1. STATUS REPORT ON STAMFORD CENTER FOR THE ARTS. Submitted by Rep. David Blum D-12, 3/23/89.

MR. BLUM said the Committee met on Wednesday, April 26, 1989. Present at the meeting were Chairman David Blum and Committee member Nicholas Pavia. Judith Evanko, Committee member, had to attend another meeting. Also present were Rep. Robert DeLuca, Commissioner Paul Pacter, Director of the Coliseum Authority and Randy Brion, Michael Cacace and Debbie Smith representing the Stamford Center for the Arts.

COLISEUM AUTHORITY LIAISON COMMITTEE: (continued)

MR. BLUM said groundbreaking will take place during the summer. The old building will be knocked down and building will begin. Mr. Blum said a discussion was held on why a smaller theater is being considered; 700 seats for more professional performances and 130 seats for community groups. He said blueprints and drawings were shown to the Committee and everyone agreed the project will be a benefit to the city. The Center will be ready to open by the fall of 1990, and the contract is to be renewed in 1998.

At this point in the meeting, Rep. Mary Lou Rinaldi arrived.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO ASSESS PRIORITY ISSUES - David Jachimczyk and Scott Morris, Co-Chairpersons

MR. MORRIS said the Committee met on Thursday, April 14, 1989, at 7:45 p.m. in the Democratic Caucus Room. Committee members present were Reps. Dominick Cardillo, Scott Morris, Maria Nakian and James Rubino. Reps. Garry Clemmons, Stanley Esposito, David Jachimczyk and Thomas Pia were excused.

Also attending the meeting were Jeanette Semon, Recycling Coordinator for the City of Stamford; Tom Fava, Productivity Planner for the Department of Public Works; Valerie Knight, Regional Recycling Coordinator for Fairfield County and an employee of the Norwalk Public Works Department; Gerard Smith, Director of Public Works for the Town of Westport and Vice Chairman of the Greater Bridgeport Regional Solid Waste Advisory Board (Bridgeport Group); Rep. John Zelinski; Marge Laurent, President of the League of Women Voters of Stamford; and Judy Liebeskind, Chairman of the Environment Committee of the League of Women Voters of Stamford.

Mr. Morris stated due to a lack of a quorum the Committee was unable to vote on the item one on the Agenda at this meeting. The Committee met again on Monday, May 1, 1989, at 6:45 p.m. prior to the regular May Board meeting. Present at the meeting were Mr. Morris, Mr. Jachimczyk, Mrs. Nakian, Mr. Rubino, and Mr. Esposito. The Committee voted 5 to 0 to approve item 1. Mr. Morris placed item 1 on the Consent Agenda. A complete report of the Committee meeting was sent to all members of the Board and is attached to these Minutes.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN AND SUPPORT A REGIONAL RECYCLING PROGRAM. Submitted by Mayor Thom Serrani 2/3/89. Held in Committee 3/8 and 4/3/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

MR. MORRIS Moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

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

ETHICS COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian and Ruth Powers, Co-Chairpersons

MRS. NAKIAN said the Committee met on Monday, April 24, 1989, at 7:15 p.m. Attending were Reps. Ruth Powers, Maria Nakian, Richard Lyons and Audrey Maihock.

The Committee voted 4 to 0 approve the item on the Agenda. Item 1 was placed on the Consent Agenda.

1. FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 19 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES (1985) CONCERNING THE CODE OF ETHICS. Submitted by Ruth Powers and Maria Nakian, Co-Chairpersons, Ethics Committee 1/8/88. Held in Committee 2/1, 3/7, 4/4, 6/6, 7/11 and 8/8/88. Held in Steering 4/13/88. Approved for publication 9/7/88. Held on Pending 10/10/88. Approved for republications 12/5/88, 2/6 and 4/3/89. Held in Committee 1/9/89. Returned to Committee 3/8/89.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

MRS. NAKIAN Moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded.

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

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN thanked Mrs. Nakian and Mrs. Powers for Chairing the Committee, the Committee members and members of the Board that participated. It was a difficult task and the final result is a very good ordinance for the city.

RESOLUTIONS

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to approve the following resolution. Seconded.

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING THE REVEREND ROBERT E. ONZE ON HIS 25th ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION. Submitted by Rep. John J. Boccuzzi D-2, 3/31/89.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. MORRIS Moved to approve the following resolution. Seconded.

2. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING REP. CHRISTEL TRUGLIA FOR BEING HONORED BY THE STAMFORD FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS. Submitted by Reps. Scott Morris D-17, Frank A. Mollo D-9, John J. Boccuzzi D-2, Mary Lou Rinaldi D-5, John R. Zelinski D-11 and Janet Weintraub D-18, 4/14/89.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes. (Note: The resolution was not presented to Christel Truglia because the Stamford Festival of the Arts cancelled the affair which was to honor Mrs. Truglia)

MR. BOCCUZZI Moved to approve the following resolution. Seconded.

3. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN O'BRIEN FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF STAMFORD. Submitted by the 20th Board of Representatives 4/13/89.

RESOLUTIONS: (continued)

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution honoring John O'Brien. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. MORRIS Moved to approve the following resolution.

4. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING REP. GERALD J. RYBNICK ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 90th BIRTHDAY. Submitted by the 20th Board of Representatives, 4/12/89.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. MORRIS Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up two resolution not on the Agenda. Seconded. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

5. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE FORTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL. Submitted by Reps. John Boccuzzi, 2-D, David I. Blum, 12-D, Robert DeLuca, 14-R, Sandra Goldstein, 16-D, Scott Morris, 17-D, Frank A. Mollo, 9-D, and John Zelinski, 11-D, 5.1/89.

MR. MORRIS Moved for the approval of the resolution. Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. PAVIA Moved to approve the following resolution. Seconded.

6. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION HONORING THE REVEREND FATHER FRANK RUFIN, CHAPLAIN OF STAMFORD HOSPITAL FOR 15 YEARS. Submitted by Reps. Nicholas Pavia, 10-R and Thomas Russo, 10-R, 5/1/89.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the resolution. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MINUTES

1. APRIL 3, 1989 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - APPROVED.

COMMUNICATIONS - None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - Reminder of budget meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 9, 1989, 8:00 p.m. Fiscal will meet on Saturday, May 6th to vote on the budget.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 p.m. after the motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved.

APPROVED:

By Anne A. Kachaluba  
Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant  
and Recording Secretary  
20th Board of Representatives

Sandra Goldstein  
Sandra Goldstein, President  
20th Board of Representatives  
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Enclosures