

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1990

21ST BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

A Special Meeting of the 21st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut was held on Monday, September 24, 1990, pursuant to a "Call" issued by President Sandra Goldstein, in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives, Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut. The Call was for 8:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 p.m. after both political parties had met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Rep. Nicholas Pavia, R-10.

"Loving God, guard our hearts and minds tonight that Your will be done; bless each member of our Board, their families and our city. Lord, we were made in Your image so let us remember that by loving and serving others, we are loving and serving You. Amen."

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

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk Annie M. Summerville. There were 36 members present and four absent. Absent and excused were Reps. Naomi Schoenfeld, Gerald Rybnick, Elaine Mitchell and Robert DeLuca.

The Chair declared a quorum.

The "Call" of the Special Meeting was read by President Goldstein.

I, Sandra Goldstein, President of the 21st Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, and pursuant to Section 2-10-4 of the Stamford Charter, hereby call a Special Meeting of said Board of Representatives on Monday, September 24, 1990, to consider and act upon the Capital Budget for fiscal year 1990/91, as transmitted by the Board of Finance and For final adoption, proposed ordinance concerning garbage, rubbish and refuse and the separation of recyclable materials.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: Test votes were taken by the President and the machine was in good working order.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said that two members of the Board are in the hospital; Gerry Rybnick at St. Joseph's Hospital, and on behalf of the Board is being wished a speedy get well and would appreciate calls and cards as he does like to hear from people.

President Goldstein said that our prayers are with Naomi Schoenfeld. Naomi is quite ill and would welcome your thoughts. Naomi is at Stamford Hospital. At present, she cannot have visitors but would love to hear from the members. President Goldstein said when she spoke to Naomi and told her we are thinking and concerned about her, her day brightened. President Goldstein stated that Naomi goes through all the data that is sent to her; the Board is very special to her, and she is very special to us. President Goldstein on behalf of the Board, wished her well and soon.

CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATION - Richard Lyons, Chairman, Fiscal Committee

MR. LYONS said the Fiscal Committee met on September 17, 1990, at 7:00 p.m. to consider the Capital Budget that was approved by the Board of Finance on September 6th. Mr. Lyons stated that only items approved by the Board of Finance prior to September 13, will be considered this evening. He said any additional items coming from the Board of Finance approved since then will be considered at forthcoming meetings.

Mr. Lyons said those present at the meeting were Reps. Lyons, Powers, Rinaldi, Martin, Clemmons, Mollo, Hogan, Rybnick and Zimmerman. Mr. Lyons said department heads were interviewed and the Committee made recommendations. Mr. Lyons said a rolling motion will be used in his presentation. Mr. Lyons said the Committee's recommendations will be to approve unless someone has any questions or motions.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated if anyone had any questions, please ask before the presentation begins. She said each Capital Project item before the Board will be reviewed. President Goldstein said that anything deferred by the Board of Finance will not be before the Board. She said if anyone had any questions, they should raise their hand. President Goldstein said that at the end of the presentation, a vote will be taken on the resolution on the Capital Projects budget; the only difference she stated was that now a two-thirds vote of those present and voting and a minimum of 21 votes is needed for the budget to be approved.

President Goldstein said the pages in the book were not numbered; therefore, the department code number will be used.

MR. LYONS said that once an item is reported and no questions asked, there will be no going back to the item. Mr. Lyons made the following recommendations for approval in the Capital Projects budget:

SEWER COMMISSION - 112-126 Section 16-4 - 7,850 linear feet of sewer in Barmore Drive, Kane Avenue, Pamlynn Road and seven other streets in the area - no reductions recommended - \$1,962,000.

112-129 Section 18-1 - 20,600 linear feet of sewers in Stillwater Road, Wyndover Lane, Knobloch Lane, Pond Road, and seven other streets in the area - no reductions recommended - \$309,000.

Total for Sewer Commission - \$2,271,000.

MAYOR'S OFFICE - 201-155 Housing Development Fund - fund for land/housing acquisitions and site development, rehabilitation and/or new construction of housing for families of low-moderate income - no reductions recommended - \$250,000.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING - 280-5 Signal truck replacement - replace two hydraulic lift equipped trucks - no reductions recommended - \$90,200.

280-6 Guide Signs - Develop program to install overhead street and directional signs at major entrances to the downtown, e.g. public parking, business center, performing arts center; \$60,000.00 was requested.

The Committee voted none in favor and 9 opposed; the vote was not in favor of approval. The Committee felt all the information was not forthcoming at the meeting. Mr. Lyons Moved for approval of \$60,000. Seconded.

CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATION: (continued)

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that the Committee voted to defeat this item from the budget. The motion was to approve the \$60,000.

MS. SUMMERVILLE Moved to return the item to Committee. Seconded. Ms. Summerville stated further study should be made concerning the item as not enough information was presented. She said the Department head and district representatives should appear with more information for the needs of the signs.

MR. LYONS supported the motion.

MR. STORK asked if an item has to come back to the Board, would it come back at a special meeting or would it be on the regular monthly agenda?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN stated that the item would appear on the regular monthly agenda as an additional appropriation.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked if the item could be deferred until the next budget?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said that would be an improper motion. She said the item will be recommitted to receive more information.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked how an item can be deferred?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said to recommit would be to defer; the item is deferred back to Committee. President Goldstein said if someone wants the item to be considered in the next Capital Projects budget, the item is voted down, then the Mayor could resubmit if he wants to; the Mayor initiates appropriations.

MRS. MAIHOCK questioned if an item is deferred by the Board of Finance, it does not mean that it will be deferred until the next Capital Budget?

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN said that was correct, however, the Board of Finance can chose never to take it out of Committee; that would ineffect, kill the item until another budget session.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to defer \$60,000 for Code 280-6 guide signs. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes. The item was recommitted to the Fiscal Committee.

Total for Department of Traffic and Parking - \$90,200.

PUBLIC WORKS ADMINISTRATION - 301-8 Incinerator renovations - no reductions recommended - \$250,000.

PUBLIC WORKS HIGHWAYS - 310-161 City wide resurfacing - no reductions recommended - \$850,000.

310-159 Sidewalk repairs - no reductions recommended - \$150,000.

310-561 Guard rail - no reductions recommended - \$50,000.

210-165 City manholes/basins - no reductions recommended - \$100,000.

Total Public Works Highways - \$1,150,000.

CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATION: (continued)

PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING - 330-168 City wide storm drain - no reductions recommended - \$109,000.

330-14 Wedgemere Road drains - no reductions recommended - \$316,000.

330-267 Recondition bridges - no reductions recommended - \$100,000.

330-846 Emergency sewer rehabilitation - no reductions recommended - \$50,000.

330-50 Seaside Avenue phase 3 - no reductions recommended - \$750,000.

330-17 Lakeside Drive bridge - no reductions recommended - \$150,000.

330-149 Carter Drive/Tupper Drive drain system - no reductions recommended - \$125,000.

330-15 West Avenue improvements - no reductions recommended - \$150,000.

330-51 Inflow/infil rehabilitation interceptor Cove Island - no reductions recommended - \$30,000.

Total Public Works Engineering - \$1,780,000.

PUBLIC WORKS SANITATION - 340-166 Pumping station analysis - no reductions recommended - \$99,200.

340-23 Combustion control - no reductions recommended - \$200,703.

340-32 Fireproof bricks incinerator - no reductions recommended - \$250,000.

340-34 Alvord Lane pumping station - no reductions recommended - \$672,000.

Total Public Works Sanitation - \$1,221,903.

PUBLIC WORKS SEWAGE PLANT - 341-223 Bar screens - no reductions recommended - \$320,000.

MR. LOVALLO asked for some background information on the bar screens.

MR. LYONS stated this project has been on-going for the past six years. The screens are placed over the tanks to keep debris, tree limbs, leaves, etc. out of the tanks so as not to clog the system.

341-146 Waste activator system - no reductions recommended - \$200,000.

Total Public Works sewage plant - \$520,000.

PUBLIC WORKS SANITATION COLLECTION - 350-41 Equipment replacement - no reductions recommended - \$238,000.

Total Public Works sanitation collection - \$238,000.

SMITH HOUSE RESIDENCE - 530-69 Roof replacement - no reductions recommended - \$47,700.

Total Smith House Residence - \$47,700.

CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATION: (continued)

PARKS AND RECREATION: (continued)

- 610-270 Marina improvements - no reductions recommended \$255,600.
- 610-233 Paving, curbing drain - no reductions recommended - \$160,000.
- 610-640 Shore stabilization - no reductions recommended - \$122,000.
- 610-179 Playground rehabilitation - no reductions recommended - \$65,000.
- 610-315 Buildings & utilities - no reductions recommended - \$210,000.
- 610-462 Trees & shrubs - no reductions recommended - \$50,000.
- 610-528 Game Courts - no reductions recommended - \$75,000.
- 610-818 Parks lighting - no reductions recommended - \$30,000.
- 610-72 Computer system - no reductions recommended - \$35,000.

MRS. MAIHOCK asked if this would be for software only?

MR. LYONS said that some of the money would be used for software and there may be one or two personal computers involved.

Total for Parks and Recreation Department - \$1,002,600.

FERGUSON LIBRARY - 710-354 TOR branch renovations - no reductions recommended - \$60,000.

Total for Ferguson Library - \$60,000.

STAMFORD COLISEUM AUTHORITY - 735-92 Old Town Hall Museum - no reductions recommended - \$60,000.

MR. RUBINO asked what the \$60,000 would be used for?

MR. LYONS said the money would be used for maintenance of the building until it is decided what will be done with the building.

Total for Stamford Coliseum Authority - \$60,000.

BOARD OF EDUCATION - 810-77 Elementary School renovations NF/Rox - no reductions recommended - \$300,000.

810-66 Elementary School renovations Toquam - no reductions recommended - \$605,000.

810-166 Exterior Lights Phase 3 - no reductions recommended - \$150,000.

810-68 Air conditioning renovations Phase 4 - no reductions recommended \$192,500.

Total for Board of Education - \$1,247,500.

CAPITAL BUDGET PRESENTATION: (continued)

MR. LYONS read the resolution and Moved for approval of the resolution adopting the Capital Budget for fiscal year from July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991 in the amount of \$10,188,903. The motion was Seconded. (A copy of the resolution is attached to these Minutes)

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the Capital Budget for fiscal year July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991, in the amount of \$10,188,903. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Stanley Esposito, Chairman

MR. ESPOSITO said a meeting of the Environmental Protection Committee was held on September 17, 1990, and at 7:30 p.m., prior to the meeting, a public hearing was held. One citizen was present for the public hearing; David Menegon was present and spoke against the ordinance. Mr. Menegon felt that curbside collection of recyclables would be aesthetically objectionable.

Mr. Esposito said those attending the meeting were Committee members Reps. Esposito, Maihock, Stork, Zimmerman and White. Also attending were Reps. Pia, Summerville, Domanos, Johnson, Martin and Lyons.

1. FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE AND THE SEPARATION OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS. Submitted by Mary Sommer, Corporation Counsel, 6/13/90. Held in Committee 7/9/90. Approved for publication 8/13/90. Approved for republication 9/10/90.

Mr. Esposito stated that the ordinance published on September 13 was amended. He said the final version was sent to all Board members on September 18. The areas highlighted were the changes made; the changes were minor.

Mr. Esposito said the Committee voted five in favor and none opposed to approve. Mr. Esposito Moved to approve the proposed ordinance as published. Seconded.

Mr. Esposito Moved to amend on Page 1, Section 137-29, under A. inserted was the definition of "Backyard Pickup." The new paragraph will read: "BACKYARD PICKUP - The collection of recyclable materials that the resident places adjacent to their own residence or garage." The motion was Seconded.

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

MR. ESPOSITO Moved to amend on Page 6, under paragraph D. inserted in the paragraph was, "or other hardship, as defined in the rules and regulations, a fee waiver may be granted." The motion was Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to approve the amendment in paragraph D. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

MR. ESPOSITO Moved to amend in the same paragraph; D. deleted are the words, "in accordance with rules the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Section 137-37 herein." The motion was Seconded.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN called for a vote to delete "in accordance with rules the rules and regulations adopted pursuant to Section 137-37 herein." APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

MRS. MAIHOCK stated she would vote to approve the ordinance so the recycling effort can begin; however, she said she felt that "Provision B" should not be in the ordinance. She said she would like to see the provision in the Rules and Regulations. Mrs. Maihock also stated that Assistant Corporation Counsel also felt that it was an inflexible paragraph and did not belong in the ordinance. Mrs. Maihock said this provision could present problems to the taxpayers.

PRESIDENT GOLDSTEIN proceeded to a vote to approve for final adoption the proposed ordinance, as amended, concerning garbage, rubbish and refuse and the separation of recyclable materials. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes and one abstention, Mrs. Perillo.

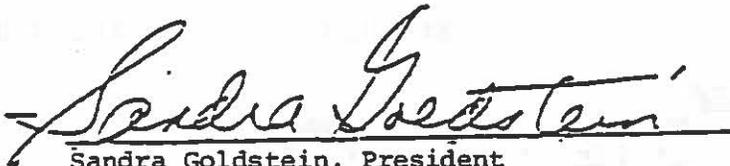
MR. ESPOSITO stated that it was a pleasure working with the Committee and other members of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. after the motion to adjourn was made, seconded and approved.



Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant
and Recording Secretary
21st Board of Representatives

APPROVED:



Sandra Goldstein, President
21st Board of Representatives

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Enclosures

