

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1995
RECESSED MEETING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 1995

23RD BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT

The regular meeting of the 23rd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Wednesday, November 8, 1995, at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m. by President Mary Lou Rinaldi after both parties met in Caucus.

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

"Let us pray. Dear Lord, bless our city, our state, our country and our world. We are all one family when we think about it. Dear Lord, let us just remember that everything is passing; we can be up one day and down the next, but the main thing is to try to do our best and always with your help to love your people, our people. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG was led by President Mary Lou Rinaldi.

PRESIDENT RINALDI stated that Eugene Conti, son of former representative Anthony Conti, asked to address the Board on behalf of his family.

MR. CONTI

"Where do I begin to tell you about my father, the greatest man I know and probably will ever know. Anyone who knew him knew that he would always be there for them day or night, no matter what the circumstances. They also knew they had a friend for life. My father could solve any problem and always produced the most logical solution at that given moment. He had a magnetic presence in which a total stranger could approach him and strike up a conversation with him and in just moments he made you feel like you've known him all your life. My father was a giver to the fullest meaning of the word. He always put everybody else first and went out of his way to make sure he was last and no matter how much he gave of himself, he felt it was never enough and wished he could do more. As the Stamford Advocate put it so elegantly, 'He was a gentleman's gentleman' and his presence exuded that.

"Politics, how he loved working for the party; going to Town Committee meetings or working with the Board of Reps, always volunteering his time, always doing all he could. As Mayor Stanley Esposito put it, 'He always had the party's best interest at heart.' How true this was. Anybody involved in politics would agree with that no matter what party they affiliated with they knew and respected him for what he represented.

"Again, on behalf of my family and myself, I'd like to thank everybody for letting my father be a part of this all these years because this was really and truly a big part of him. Thank you."

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At this point in the meeting, Rep. Gerald Rybnick was to present the President and Clerk with flowers. He collapsed and was taken to the hospital.

REP. STORK Moved to recess the meeting to Monday, November 13, 1996 at 8:00 p.m. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to recess the meeting. APPROVED by voice vote.

The recessed meeting of the 23rd Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, November 13, 1995 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chamber of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

The meeting was called to order at 8:14 p.m. by President Mary Lou Rinaldi after both parties met in Caucus.

INVOCATION was given by Representative John J. Hogan Jr., D-12.

"Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all of the blessings which you have bestowed on this Body over the past two years. We thank you for giving our fellow Representative Jerry Rybnick strength in his hour of need and we ask that you continue to be with him. In your grace, dear God, heal all scars and wounds of political conflict, and by your power, peace, understanding and enduring friendships made on this Board prevail.

"And finally, as the business of the 23rd Board draws to a close, we ask your blessing that we come to a final adjournment happy and pleased and confident and acknowledge, we as individuals and as a Board, gave to the people of Stamford, the best that we had. In your name we ask this. Amen."

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by President Mary Lou Rinaldi.

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were 31 members present and nine (9) absent. Absent were Ellen Mellis (excused), Carmen Domonkos (excused), Alice Fortunato (excused), Kenzee Roseman (excused), Gerald Rybnick (excused), Steven Montello, Angela Housey, Donald Sherer (excused), and Patrick White (excused).

The Chair declared a quorum.

MACHINE TEST VOTE was taken by President Mary Lou Rinaldi. The machine was in good working order.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE:

For the late DONALD C. EVELEIGH requested by Representatives Ronald Sabia, R-15 and Philip R. Stork, R-15.

"Mr. Eveleigh was a Stamford resident for 50 years. He worked for Electrolux Corporation for 42 years. He was a World War II Air Force veteran who was decorated for his many acts of valor and good conduct. He is survived by his wife, Willa Mae Huth Eveleigh; a son, Dennis Eveleigh; and three grandchildren. Our deepest sympathy to his wife and family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late ARRIETTA H. SMITH requested by Representative Audrey Maihock, 19th District.

"Arrietta H. Smith, a resident of Old Long Ridge Road for over 30 years, died October 31, 1995.

"She was an esteemed neighbor and devoted friend to many. Children were invited to play in her meadow and ride their horses there. Halloween was one of her favorite holidays when they would come to show her their costumes. It was sad that this year it was the date of her death.

"Arrietta was a very caring and generous person. One long-time friend said, 'She lived to give other people good times.' She recruited some of her friends to assist her to make tray favors for the residents of Smith House for about 25 years as a special gift to them.

"She was a former president of the Long Ridge Book and Garden Club, and worked very actively for the American Red Cross during World War II.

"People who have lived on Old Long Ridge Road for many years seem to become an integral part of it, and it just doesn't seem quite complete without Arrietta. She is greatly missed."

For the late MILDRED B. SILBERMAN requested by Representatives Ronald Sabia, R-15, Philip R. Stork, R-15 and Ralph Loglisci, R-14.

"Mrs. Silberman was a housewife. She is survived by her husband, Nathan Silberman; a son, Yale D. Silberman; a daughter, Sharyn D. Silberman; a brother, Stanley Bernstein; two grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and three nieces. Our condolences to the Mr. Silberman and family."

For the late THOMAS J. PASTORE requested by Representative Ronald Sabia, R-15.

"Mr. Pastore owned and operated a liquor store for 35 years. He was a manager for First National Food Stores for more than 20 years. He was a past president of the Italian Center and a member of its board of directors for 20 years. Mr. Pastore is survived by his wife, Dorothy Flanagan Pastore; one daughter, Lynn Pastore Chatham; one brother, Roger Pastore; a sister, Karen Pastore; and two grandchildren. My sincerest sympathy to Mrs. Pastore and family."

For the late CHRISTINE M. FERRO ARNONE requested by Representatives Ronald Sabia, R-15 and John J. Boccuzzi, D-2.

"Mrs. Arnone, a former Stamford resident, died in Jupiter, Florida. She was a homemaker and a former member of St. Clements Ladies Guild and was also a member of AARP. She is survived by a daughter, Ann Marie Jaworowski; three sons, Michael A. Arnone, Demetrio M. Arnone Jr., and William J. Arnone; a sister, Mary Rowella; a brother, Anthony Ferro; 10 grandchildren, a great-granddaughter and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Demetrio M. Arnone Sr. Our sincerest sympathy to the Arnone family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late BETTY MARINO FRANCHINA requested by Representative Ronald Sabia, R-15.

"Mrs. Franchina was one of the original sales personnel at Bloomingdale's Stamford store. She was a resident of Stamford for 60 years and a member of St. Leo's Roman Catholic Church. She is survived by two daughters, Mary Grace DeRose and Joann Colangelo; a sister, Rita Rizzotti; a brother, Vincent Marino; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, John R. Franchina. My sincerest sympathy to the Franchina family."

For the late SALLY ARANCIA requested by the 23rd Board of Representatives.

"Mrs. Arancia was the mother-in-law of Rep. Joseph Vitti. Our sincere sympathy to Rep. and Mrs. Vitti."

For the late MICHAEL SETTE requested by Representatives Ralph Loglisci, R-14, John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11 and William Joram, R-11.

"Mr. Sette is survived by his mother Maria Sette, his wife Agata S. Sette, two daughters Maria Sette and Catherine S. Levine; three sons Frank, Michael Jr. and Joseph Sette, two sisters Teresa Scaturchio and Marianna Schinella; four brothers Andrew, Salvatore, Joseph and Ralph Sette; and two grandchildren. Our sincerest sympathy to the Sette family."

For the late former REPRESENTATIVE ANTHONY T. CONTI requested by the 23rd Board of Representatives.

"Anthony T. Conti, a Stamford resident for almost thirty years, died on October 14, 1995.

"Tony Conti was elected and served on the Board of Representatives from 1979-1983. He had been endorsed as a candidate for the 11th District seat in the November 1995 election. He was a president of the Revonah Neighborhood Association. He had been a Commissioner of the Parking Authority.

"Tony served as the treasurer of the Republican Town Committee for 20 years until his death. He was the owner of Anchor Engraving Totalgraphics Inc. and Progressive Product Industries, Inc. His photoengraving and photographic knowledge, skills and advice were helpful to many candidates in preparing their campaign brochures. He was dedicated to making the Republican Town Committee and the City of Stamford the best possible.

"He was a gentleman in manner and a gentle man in spirit. His very friendly, polite demeanor endeared him to many. We miss him very much.

"Sincere sympathy is extended to his lovely wife, Marguerite, to whom Tony was married for 51 years, and to his beloved family."

For the late AMELIA MARY ARRIZZA requested by Representative Ronald Sabia, R-15.

"Mrs. Arruzza was the daughter of the late Rocco and Rosa Caruso Smeriglio. She worked at Clairol Inc. for 12 years before retiring. She also worked in the garment industry in Stamford for many years. She is survived by two sons, Ralph R. Arruzza and Rocco P. Arruzza and four grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Frank N. Arruzza; and a daughter, Rosemary Spiers. My sincere sympathy to the Arruzza family."

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: (continued)

For the late KAREN JOSSEM requested by Representative Ellen Mellis, D-13.

"Karen Jossem died on October 23, 1995 at age 51. She is survived and mourned by her husband Steven, sons Nicholas and Douglas, daughter Jillian and her brother Larry Levin. She also leaves many friends who mourn her death at much too young an age. On behalf of the Board of Representatives, we extend our heartfelt condolences and sympathy to her family. I hope that time and loving memories will ease your deep sense of loss and pain and in time help you heal."

For the late JOSEPH A. BIANCO requested by Representatives Ralph Loglisci, R-14, Mary Lou Rinaldi, D-5, Mary Fedeli, R-17, Jeffrey Curtis Sr., D-9 and Nicholas Pavia, R-10.

"Mr. Bianco was the husband of Eleanor Harper Bianco, father of Alan Bianco, Joan Mikrek, Janice Mallozzi and Kathy Cosby, brother of Louis Bianco, Leonard Bianco and the late Charles Bianco, Frank Bianco, Dominick Bianco and Philomena (Phyllis) LaPolla. Seven grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive. Our deepest sympathy to the Bianco family."

For the late FRIEDA MURPHY requested by Representatives John F. Leydon, Jr., D-12, Alice Fortunato, D-17 and Patrick White, D-1.

For the late JOAN H. KEMP requested by Representative John R. Zelinsky, Jr., D-11.

"Mrs. Kemp was president of Kemp Wallace Travel in New York City. She graduated with honors from Radcliffe College. She was a champion tennis player. Mrs. Kemp is survived by her husband, Dr. Walter W. Kemp; two sons, Steward W. Kemp and Giles K. Kemp; a daughter, Gaglen Kemp Baxter; a brother and sister; and five grandchildren. My deepest sympathy to her husband and family."

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that as the 23rd Board draws to a close, she would like to recognize the members. She thanked the members of the Board for the honor of allowing her to serve as President, for their efforts and support and for the tough decisions that had to be made over the past two years. She said that she served with many members of the Board and considers them as old and dear friends. She said that she served with some members a shorter time, but valued the relationship nonetheless.

She thanked the Leadership of the Board for all their help; Annie Summerville, who makes the office run; John Boccuzzi, David Martin, Ralph Loglisci, Philip Stork and Audrey Maihock. She thanked the Board's staff, Anne Kachaluba, Marge Cocolis and Eva Weller for making the Board work.

She said that although she is going on the Board of Finance, she will never, never forget her time or friends on the Board of Representatives and thanked everyone for all they have done.

CLERK SUMMERVILLE spoke on behalf of the Board. She said she knows that President Rinaldi meant what she said and wanted President Rinaldi to know that she means everything to the members. Clerk Summerville wished President Rinaldi good luck and said that she will do well in whatever she chooses to do even after the Board of Finance as she foresees many heights and goals that President Rinaldi will accomplish in city government.

CLERK SUMMERVILLE on behalf of the Board thanked President Rinaldi and presented her with a plaque engraved with the dates President Rinaldi served, 4/10/80 - 4/1/91 & 12/1/91 - 11/30/95, a certificate of appreciation and a gavel for her many years of service to the City of Stamford and for serving as President of the 23rd Board of Representatives.

PRESIDENT RINALDI expressed her thanks.

PRESIDENT RINALDI presented the outgoing members of the Board with plaques for their services to the City of Stamford. She said that Representative Rybnick's plaque will be presented to him personally when he is feeling better. The following members received plaques. Attached to these Minutes is a list of the members who will not be returning to the 24th Board; also, the Committees, etc. that each served on.

Gerald Rybnick served from 4/2/56 to 11/30/95. Elizabeth Conti, 12/1/93 - 11/30/95; John J. Hogan, Jr., 6/4/79 - 11/7/84 & 12/1/89 - 11/30/95; Angela Housey, 10/4/93 - 11/30/95; Fred Johnson, 8/13/90 - 11/30/95; William Joram, 4/4/95 - 11/30/95; Marggie Laurie, 12/1/91 - 11/30/95; Audrey Maihock, 12/1/77 - 11/30/95; Kit Martinsen, 12/1/93 - 11/30/95; Andrew McDonald, 12/1/93 - 11/30/95; David Scalzi, 12/1/93 - 11/30/95; Philip Stork, 12/1/79 - 11/30/83 & 12/1/89 - 11/30/95; Joseph Vitti, 12/1/93 - 11/30/95. Absent was Steven Montello, 2/1/94 to 11/30/95 and Kenzee Roseman, 9/5/95 - 11/30/95; the plaques will be forwarded to them.

REP. BOCCUZZI congratulated President Rinaldi on her election to the Board of Finance. He said that it was a pleasure working with her and he is sure that the Board of Finance will be a better Board with Ms. Rinaldi and Mr. McDonald serving on it. He said that he will always cherish the personal friendship that he has had with Ms. Rinaldi and wished her the best of luck in the future.

Note: Angela Housey and Patrick White joined the meeting while the above ceremony was taking place. 33 members present and seven (7) absent.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi.

REPORT. Waived.

REP. BOCCUZZI Moved to waive the reading of the Steering committee report. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to waive the reading of the report. APPROVED unanimously by voice vote.

The Steering Committee met on Wednesday, October 11, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. in the Democratic Caucus room of the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard. The meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Mary Lou Rinaldi at 7:40 p.m. A quorum was present.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

Present at the meeting:

Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman	Jeffrey Curtis, Sr.	Ronald Sabia
Robert DeLuca	Audrey Maihock	Maria Nakian
Kit Martinsen	John J. Hogan, Jr.	John J. Boccuzzi
Ralph Loglisci	Annie Summerville	Carmen Domonkos
Bobby Owens	Thomas Pia	Elaine Mitchell
David Martin	John R. Zelinsky, Jr.	Marggie Laurie
		Anne Kachaluba

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Ordered Held in Steering was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were 16 of the 17 items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda. Ordered off the Agenda was \$400,000 capital projects Board of Education for curriculum equipment; Board of Finance denied.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were five of the seven items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda; also, one item under Suspension of Rules. Ordered off the Agenda were two items; re tax abatement 7th Day Adventists and peace officer status for constables.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda and one item from the Addenda.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda were the three items appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Ordered off the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ordered on the Agenda was the one item appearing on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - No items appeared 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.

LABOR RELATIONS - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: (continued)

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

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

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS - No items appeared on the Tentative Steering Agenda. From "New Business" a letter or resolution is to be sent to the Mayor regarding leaf pickup.

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.

Mary Lou Rinaldi, Chairwoman
Steering Committee

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE - Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman - No report.

REP. SUMMERVILLE said that her Committee did a terrific job; they were involved with Charter Revision. She said she had a wonderful Committee and Philip Stork always kept her calm. She thanked Philip and her entire Committee.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Summerville for all her hard work.

REP. HOUSEY extended her thanks and said that it was a pleasure serving on the Board. She said it was a great opportunity for her to serve district 3; some accomplishments were made and some things still have to be completed.

FISCAL COMMITTEE - Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman

REP. NAKIAN (reporting for Chairwoman Domonkos) said that Fiscal met on Wednesday, October 25, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Domonkos, Nakian, Loglisci, Sabia, Mitchell, DePina and Sherer.

Rep. Nakian placed items 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 15 on the Consent Agenda. All Secondary Committees concurred or waive the secondary report. Moved. Seconded.

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

1. \$ 75,961.00 - CRIME PREVENTION GRANT #95-540 - CODE 95-540-5501 - CONTRACTED SERVICES -additional appropriation for grant from state for police presence at street vigils and police overtime through the Housing Authority. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/28/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

2. \$ 304,353.00 - #95-760 DAY CARE GRANT - CODE #95-760-5150 PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS - additional appropriation to cover extended state grant. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to EDUCATION, WELFARE AND GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

3. \$ 49,700.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT 95-567 SENIOR HEALTH PROGRAM - CODE VARIOUS - additional appropriation for grant received from Southwestern CT Agency on Aging, Inc. to pay for public health nurse for testing for the elderly.

95-567-1110 salaries	41,817
95-567-1310 social security	3,199
95-567-1330 medical & life	3,979
95-567-2923 copying & printing	65
95-567-2930 office supplies	90
95-567-3642 medical supplies	<u>600</u>
	49,750

Revenue Codes:	550-5671	49,700
	550-5672	<u>50</u>
		49,750

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

4. \$ 237,066.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - FY 95-96 #573 WOMEN, INFANTS & CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM - CODE VARIOUS - additional appropriation represents contract for fiscal year 10/1/95 - 9/30/96.

573-1110 salaries	\$168,004
573-1130 part-time	7,919
573-1220 car allowance	1,000
573-1310 social security	13,458
573-1330 medical & life	31,680
573-1390 general insurance	4,605
573-2740 telephone	1,200
573-2940 conference & training	600
573-3738 health certification	<u>8,600</u>
	\$237,066

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted 7-0 to approve item 4. Moved.
Seconded.

The Secondary Committee report was waived.

REP. CONTI said that she wanted to make a point regarding item 4. She was not against the grant. She stated that she wanted members to be aware of a call that she received. Rep. Conti said that she received a call from a constituent who was on unemployment and went to the Health Department to obtain either food stamps or some help with paying for formula for her newborn child; the constituent was told that she could not participate in the program because she was not a welfare recipient. Rep. Conti stated that some of the grants should be reviewed to determine who really benefits from them in Stamford. She said that originally, the WIC Program was to provide assistance to those at the poverty level who may need help with formula or various items for children. She said that if the program no longer provides assistance that it was intended for, the state should be asked some serious questions such as what the grant money is really suppose to provide for people who could be on a \$20,000 income level and still be at the poverty level for living in Stamford.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 4. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Rep. Conti.

5. \$ 20,500.00 - HEALTH DEPARTMENT - AIDS EDUCATION RISK REDUCTION #95-577 -
CODE VARIOUS - additional appropriation to cover a grant
increase.

577-1135 permanent part-time	\$ 408
577-1310 social security	31
577-2740 telephone	500
577-2923 copying & printing	750
577-2930 office supplies	4,250
577-2940 conference & training	1,000
577-3736 medical supplies	561
577-5150 professional consultants	<u>13,000</u>
	\$20,500

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of
Finance approved 10/5/96.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

6. \$ 2,236.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATION - #95-666 YOUTH SERVICE
BUREAU - CODE VARIOUS - additional appropriation for
secretarial services. State requires funds be in place.

95-666-1310 social security	\$1,041
95-666-1330 medical & life insurance	<u>1,195</u>
	\$2,236

Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of
Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

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7. \$ 7,130.00 - MAYOR'S COMMISSION - ALCOHOL & DRUG ABUSE - #95-668-7525
DIRECT SERVICE - additional appropriation to cover grant
received to implement program of positive youth
development. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito,
9/26/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

8. \$ 90,000.00 - POLICE DEPARTMENT - CODE 410-1110 SALARIES - additional
appropriation to be funded by Board of Education for
officers working in the school system. Request by Mayor
Stanley J. Esposito, 9/26/95. Board of Finance approved
10/5/95.

Above also referred to HEALTH AND PROTECTION COMMITTEE.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted 7-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

The Secondary Committee report was waived.

REP. LOGLISCI asked why the funding was going to the Police Department but
coming from the Board of Education as DARE always came out of the Police
Department?

REP. NAKIAN said the program is part of DARE and has been funded by the Board
of Education which is now reimbursing the city; two and a half police officers
for 181 school days. She said the balance of time, they function as regular
police officers and are funded by the Police Department.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 8. APPROVED by voice vote
with no dissenting votes.

9. \$ 1,404,154.00 - INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSFER - FROM 997-9982 CITY LABOR
CONTRACT ESTIMATES TO VARIOUS CODES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995/96
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES CONTRACT (MEA). Request by Mayor
Stanley J. Esposito, 9/20/95. Board of Finance approved
10/5/95.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

10. \$ 95,846.00 - INTERDEPARTMENTAL TRANSFER - FROM 997-9982 LABOR CONTRACT
ESTIMATES TO 710-4320 FERGUSON LIBRARY FOR PAY INCREASES FOR
EMPLOYEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995/96. Request by Mayor Stanley
J. Esposito, 10/13/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

11. \$ 40,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - ENGINEERING - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1995/96 FOR PROJECT CODE 330-380 FIRE HYDRANTS - CANFIELD - additional appropriation to install 16 fire hydrants concurrent with the Stamford Water Company. To be financed by closeout/transfer. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by closeout/transfer, otherwise to be financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 8/30/95. Planning Board approved 10/3/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95. Reallocated from project 112.2011.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA (Funding on resolution changed from bonds to closeouts; \$40,000 deducted from item 12 to fund item 11)

- \$ 530,000.00 - APPROVED, BALANCE TO BE ALLOCATED TO PROJECT CODE 330-380.
12. \$ 570,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - BLDGS. & GROUNDS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1995/96 FOR PROJECT 320-0691 ROOF REPLACEMENTS - additional appropriation for replacement of roofs to various city-owned facilities. To be financed by closeout/transfer. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by closeout/transfer, otherwise to be financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 8/30/95. Planning Board approved 6/21/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95. (Reallocated from Project 112.2011)

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

REP. NAKIAN said that \$40,000 was deducted to fund item 11. She said that since there is no schedule of roofs to be done, the Committee felt that \$530,000 would be adequate. Rep. Nakian said that the Committee voted 7-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

The Secondary Committee report was waived.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 12 at \$530,000. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

13. \$ 70,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1995/96 FOR PROJECT 284-378 STAMFORD GATEWAY PROJECT CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT - additional appropriation for project construction management for Gateway Project Phase I and II. To be funded by bonds. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed partially, temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 8/30/95. Planning Board approved 9/11/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

14. \$ 800,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1995/96 FOR PROJECT CODE 284-377 STAMFORD GATEWAY PHASE I - additional appropriation for reconfiguration of intermodal area of Transportation Center to expand and co-locate non-train transportation and construction of Gateway in Phase II. To be funded by grant. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by grant, if obtained, otherwise to be financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 8/30/95. Planning Board approved 9/11/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

15. \$2,200,000.00 - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS - AMENDMENT TO CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET FOR 1995/96 FOR PROJECT CODE 284-379 STAMFORD GATEWAY PHASE II - additional appropriation for extension of lower concourse of Transportation Center under I-95 to North State Street. To be funded by grant. Adoption of resolution regarding funding to be financed by grant, if obtained, otherwise to be financed temporarily and/or permanently by borrowings, as to which the city expresses its official intent, all as more particularly stated on Exhibit A. Request by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 8/30/95. Planning Board approved 9/11/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

Above also referred to PUBLIC WORKS AND SEWER COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

FISCAL COMMITTEE: (continued)

16. COST AND PROVISION OF MEDICAL INSURANCE FOR THE BIG FIVE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. Requested by Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman, Fiscal Committee, 12/7/94. Held in Committee 1/5, 2/6, 3/1, 4/3, 5/1 and 10/2/95. Held on Pending Agenda 5/15/95.

REP. NAKIAN said that several of the chiefs came to the meeting; also, Sim Bernstein was present. She said that she did not have a complete report on the item and was sure that Chair Domonkos will write out the report and provide it to Board members.

REP. NAKIAN Moved to Suspend the Rules to take up two resolutions to apply for grants; one is for an outdoor recreation program for paracourse project for Smith House and one for the Southfield Park pedestrian pathway. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Suspend the Rules. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

17. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FILE APPLICATION AND TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS MADE AVAILABLE UNDER THE MUNICIPAL OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM. This is for Parcourse Project to be installed next to paved pathway surrounding Smith House Skilled Nursing Facility. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/26/95.

REP. NAKIAN said the resolution provides for funding assistance for an 18-station stretching and exercise course. Moved. Seconded.

REP. LOGLISCI said that 40% is a grant and 60% from Smith House. He said that the Committee voted to approve subject to Smith House taking care of 60% with their own funding with no funding from the city.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 17. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Rep. Maihock.

18. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FILE APPLICATION AND TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS MADE AVAILABLE UNDER THE MUNICIPAL OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM. This is for the Southfield Park Pedestrian pathway. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/26/95.

REP. NAKIAN said that the resolution was for a 40-60% grant. She said that city funds were available in the capital budget. The Committee voted in favor of the resolution. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 18. APPROVED by voice vote with no dissenting votes.

REP. NAKIAN, on behalf of Chairwoman Domonkos, thanked all the members who served on Fiscal. She said that there was never a time when the agenda was small, there were many, many budget meetings to review the budget and the Committee was a great one to work with and everything was done in a timely fashion. Rep. Nakian, on behalf of the Committee, thanked the Chair.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Chairwoman Domonkos and the entire Committee for the endless hours and effort they put in during this term.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee had three meetings; the first was on Tuesday, October 24, 1995 at 7:30 p.m. for a public hearing on the curfew and loitering ordinances. Present were Committee members Nakian, Domonkos, Fedeli, Leydon, Maihock, Martin, McDonald, Mitchell, Sherer and Zelinsky; also, William Kosbob, the father of Matthew Kosbob, and three members of the public, one of whom spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Rep. Nakian said that the regular Committee meeting was held on Monday, October 30, at 7:30 p.m. with Committee members Nakian, Domonkos, Fedeli, Leydon, Maihock, Martin, Mitchell, Scalzi and Zelinsky present; Rep. McDonald was excused. Also present were Reps. DeLuca, Martinsen, Hogan and Pia; Sandra Dennies, Grants Director; Jeannette Phillips, Social Services Director; Walter Young, Deputy Police Chief; and Stephen Elkins, Director of Parks and Recreation.

Rep. Nakian placed item 4 on the Consent Agenda. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one no vote, Rep. Maihock.

1. (L&R23.114) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING A CURFEW FOR MINORS. Submitted by Rep. Jeffrey T. Curtis, Sr., D-9 and Rep. Maria Nakian, D-20, 8/9/95. Held in Committee 9/5/95. Approved for publication 10/2/95.

REP. CURTIS said that the issue of a curfew has been debated for approximately two years; the original issue was initiated in response to a series of random acts of violence to the youth of the city and a bad situation got worse. He said that the city received a wake-up call this summer with the tragic beating of a youngman named Matthew Kosbob. Rep. Curtis stated that up to that point in time, the response of the community was limited to say the very least. He said that it took this savage beating to get the people and agencies of the city to begin to properly address this unspeakable tragedy of youth violence and they began speaking in a unified voice.

Rep. Curtis said that a great deal of work was accomplished in the last several months and in light of the work that has been achieved and hopefully, the work that will be achieved in the very near future, he asked that a step back be taken to allow the excellent work being done by the Parent-Teachers Council, the city agencies and the young adults of the city to continue.

Rep. Curtis Moved to Hold the ordinance concerning a curfew for minors for the next Board. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to Hold the ordinance. APPROVED by voice vote with one in opposition.

2. (L&R23.118) FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING LOITERING IN POSTED PARKS AND GROUNDS OF SCHOOLS AND OTHER PUBLIC BUILDINGS DURING NIGHTTIME HOURS. Submitted by Rep. Maria Nakian, D-20 and Rep. David Martin, D-19. Approved for publication 10/2/95.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. NAKIAN said that Committee amended the ordinance. She said that discussion at the public hearing and by the Committee was to name the ordinance in favor of Matthew Kosbob, the son of Maureen and Bill Kosbob, a former member of the Board of Representatives. Rep. Nakian said the amendment was reviewed with the Law Department and there is no problem.

Rep. Nakian Moved to amend the ordinance to add a paragraph "1. Title. This ordinance shall be known as the Matthew Kosbob Loitering Ordinance." She said that the paragraphs following will be renumbered and the change is not a substantive one that requires republication. Seconded.

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

REP. NAKIAN Moved for final adoption of the ordinance. Seconded.

REP. MAIHOCK said that she spoke to the Police Chief and if the ordinance is going to pass, we have to have policing. She wondered about sufficient policing. She said that in North Stamford, there has been an extra need for police and wanted to know how the ordinance would impact on the police that would be available for the residential area? She said that the Chief said that it would be difficult for him to answer her question. Rep. Maihock said that if the ordinance cannot be policed sufficiently and cars have to be taken out of the neighborhoods, it will be a very serious situation particularly in North Stamford where there is one car.

REP. NAKIAN stated that Rep. Maihock's point was discussed with the Chief. She said that she has observed over the years, particularly in North Stamford, when she is going home late at night, the police cars sitting at some central place on High Ridge Road. Rep. Nakian said that she suggested to the Chief that the cars drive around and patrol the parks and school, etc. She said that these areas are the neighborhood; just as the police cars drive around the streets, they should be driving through the parks and school grounds. Rep. Nakian said that if there is an emergency, the police will deal with that first; there are times when there are no emergencies.

REP. LOGLISCI said that he believes the first four paragraphs opens the city to law suits; the paragraphs have no affect on the ordinance. He Moved to delete them as well as the last sentence on the 6th "Whereas." He said that he spoke to Corporation Counsel and other attorneys, and they feel the statements at the top of the ordinance can certainly place the city in jeopardy.

Rep. Loglisci said that he would vote for the ordinance if the paragraphs are deleted as they add nothing to the ordinance. He Moved to delete the paragraphs. Seconded.

REP. NAKIAN said that she had no objections to Rep. Loglisci's amendments.

REP. LOGLISCI restated his motion. To delete the first four paragraphs and the the final sentence on the sixth paragraph starting after the word, "Stamford and will help to attain the objective of protecting minors from each other and other persons." The end of the sentence is "Stamford."

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

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DeLUCA questioned the part of the ordinance concerning nighttime hours from 30 minutes after sunset pertaining to school grounds. He said that after work, some people like to jog, rollerblade, walk or bicycle on the school grounds and may be there around 8 or 9 p.m. He asked if those persons can be guilty of a violation because 30 minutes after sunset at this time would be 5 or 5:30 p.m? Rep. DeLuca said that the parks have posted times.

REP. NAKIAN asked if these people are out in the dark? She said that on the school grounds, it is one-half hour after sunset and it depends on the season. She said that personally, she did not think it is safe for somebody to be running around on the school grounds after dark. Rep. Nakian said that the grounds are closed but what is prohibited is loitering.

REP. DeLUCA asked how can the people who exercise, etc. be protected that they are not loitering on the grounds after sunset?

REP. NAKIAN said that probably nobody should be on grounds that have been posted as being closed after one-half hour after sunset. She said that she hoped that the police department would use discretion and not want to arrest someone who was jogging in the dark. Rep. Nakian stated that if you want to safeguard the largest number of people, something has to be done.

REP. DeLUCA said that perhaps the posted times in the parks should be amended. He said that we should be consistent and have posted hours similar to what the parks are. Rep. DeLuca asked why the ordinance cannot state that at 8:00 p.m. you cannot be on the school grounds?

REP. MARTIN said that in Section 5, paragraph A, 1 and 2, early in the ordinance, reference is made to a half-hour after dark; nothing can happen before a half-hour after dark. He stated that in 5A, the Superintendent of Schools as well as the Parks and Recreation Commission can establish the fines and subparagraph 1, reads, "Posting a sign on the grounds stating that loitering or trespassing is prohibited in said park or on said grounds after closing until 5 a.m. the following morning." Rep. Martin said that the schools are handled in the ordinance exactly the same as the parks are. He said that the Superintendent and the School Board may also chose to close the grounds, and they would put up a sign saying, "Half-hour after dark" or specifically, "9:00 p.m." or whichever is later. Rep. Martin said that those people using the school grounds are trespassing and technically are already in violation of state law. Rep. Martin stated that there are commissions and bodies in charge of the facilities and they have to make a decision and if the Board is unhappy with the decision, the political process will allow the Board to say that there is a problem at a park or school ground, and the commission is giving the political process to deal with the occasional miscarriage of justice.

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that the ordinance allows the commission or body to be flexible in how the time frame is used.

REP. DeLUCA stated for the record, that if enough people complain about the ordinance, it can be amended. He said that there is no problem with the parks but there is with the school grounds. He said that many people living near the schools like to go on the grounds in the evening to jog or rollerblade, etc. Rep. DeLuca said that in some sections of the ordinance, those that use the grounds may have a problem.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DeLUCA wanted assurance that if there are any problems with the ordinance, that it can be amended on the next Board.

REP. MARTIN stated that he hoped that would not have to be done. He said that an example is, if the Superintendent of Schools and School Board decided to keep the lights on on the football field later into the evening or on the tennis courts, and people played later in the evening on those facilities, he would assume that the facilities will not be posted "closed." Rep. Martin said it would be a problem if posted "closed" and the lights are on and people are using the grounds. He said that he would be happy to amend the ordinance if there is not a meeting of the minds.

REP. DeLUCA said that he had no problem with 9 o'clock summer hours, but has a hard time with 5 o'clock.

REP. LOGLISCI quoted from state statutes, part 16 dealing with loitering in or about public grounds, section 53a-185, "Loitering on school grounds, a class C misdemeanor, a person is guilty loitering on school grounds when he loiters or remains in or about the school building or grounds not having any reason or relationship involving custody of or responsibility for the pupil or any other license or privilege to be there." Rep. Loglisci said that the statute does not mention time. He said that 5 o'clock is a sticky point and can understand the 9 o'clock summer hours, but has a hard time with 5 o'clock.

REP. SABIA asked if where it reads, "nighttime hours" reference can be made to section IV. A. to cover the nighttime hours?

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that the superintendent can make changes based on circumstances at a particular school. She said that if the time is posted and the superintendent is held to that, then some of the concerns made by Rep. DeLuca would come into play.

REP. BOCCUZZI Moved the question. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to move the question. APPROVED by voice vote.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted 8-0-0 to approve the ordinance. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI proceeded to a vote. APPROVED by 31 yes and two no votes.

3. (L&R23.115) PROPOSED RESOLUTION REGARDING TAX FREEZE FOR THE THIRD YEAR OF REVALUATION PHASE IN. Requested by Reps. Mary Lou Rinaldi, D-5 and Andrew McDonald, D-4, 8/11/95. Held in Committee 9/5 and 10/2/95.

Above also referred to REVALUATION COMMITTEE.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee did not receive information in time for it to be reviewed. (No action taken)

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

4. (L&R23.122) APPROVAL OF SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NORWALK TRANSIT DISTRICT AND CITY OF STAMFORD DIAL-A-RIDE. This is for operation of a door to door van service to those who qualify under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Service would be in addition to Dial-A-Ride service. Total reimbursement Norwalk has offered the city is up to \$58,079 for one vehicle to operate Monday through Friday from 8:00 to 4:00 at \$32.41 per hour. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/5/95. Returned to Committee 10/2/95.

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

5. (L&R23.123) APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN COMMAND SECURITY CORPORATION AND CITY OF STAMFORD (STAMFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 9/18/95. Board of Finance approved 10/5/95.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee voted 6-0-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

REP. LOGLISCI asked if the item will be bonded as a capital project?

REP. NAKIAN apologized for not giving the resolution of the item. She said that when the Committee discussed the item, there were three issues that were troubling; the most important being the lack of bonding contained in the contract; another was that the contract provided for Command Security doing the officers scheduling whereas in reality, the City of Stamford was doing the scheduling; and a definition of the city sending payments in immediately.

Rep. Nakian said that the above was discussed with Mr. Ruszkowski and the Law Department and they discussed the matter with the Police Department; the contract was amended to include a paragraph requiring a bond of the company and a copy of their insurance binder was received. She said that "immediately" was defined three to five days and a couple of sentences were adding saying, "Notwithstanding the contract, the city could do its own scheduling and also had the right to have Command Security to provide it at any time in the future." Rep. Nakian said that the issues were covered and the Committee voted prior to Wednesday's meeting to approve the contract knowing the changes were made.

Rep. Nakian assumed that the contract was in the normal operations to be bonded and no one knew why it hadn't been included in this contract; it should have been. She said that it was great foresight on the L&R Committee that it was noticed and they made sure that it was provided for.

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

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

6. (L&R23.124) APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN WARD & ASSOCIATES AND THE CITY OF STAMFORD TO ESTABLISH A MASTER PLAN FOR PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACES. \$112,400 for work outlined in RFP and consultant proposal. Option of the city, additional public meetings can be held with total additional cost not to exceed \$3,000. Submitted by Mayor Stanley J. Esposito, 10/12/95. Contingent upon Parks and Recreation approval and Board of Finance approval.

REP. NAKIAN said that the Committee met with the Director of Parks and Recreation, the Commission and other people and were satisfied with all the answers. The Committee voted 6-0-0 to approve. Moved. Seconded.

REP. ZELINSKY said that there should be a Master Plan and it is long overdue. He said that he believes that there is a serious problem with paying taxpayers' dollars for consultants when we have a director of parks and recreation who is well-paid and qualified to draft a Master Plan. Rep. Zelinsky said that the director was hired for the position because of his qualifications and expertise. Rep. Zelinsky said that for the record, he will not vote for consultants to do work that a department head should do. Rep. Zelinsky said that can anyone imagine a department head in a corporation requesting money for consultants to do a job that he or she is suppose to do; the department head would not be around for too long.

Rep. Zelinsky said that to add to the insult, the consultants are going to hold public hearings to get public input for recommendations. Rep. Zelinsky asked who knows the city's parks and recreation facilities, an outside consultant or the department head who deals with it on a daily basis.

REP. PIA said that he agreed with some of the comments made by Rep. Zelinsky but his problem is different; it's with Director Steve Elkins and his assistant, Bobby Kinn. Rep. Pia said that they asked for volunteers to work with them in picking one of the proposals, six proposers were interviewed and the proposal that came out with the majority vote was not the one that was picked.

Rep. Pia said that the process was a committee was formed to pick the best qualified proposal; the committee picked the proposer; the assistant decided at the last minute that she had additional information to give and that sort of swayed the people from the original proposer to the second. Rep. Pia said that his objection to the entire process was that if the assistant had some important information, it should have been shared with the committee prior to the interviewing of the proposers. Rep. Pia said that the rules were also changed in mid-stream and this proposer added an additional consultant to work with them so as to reinforce the position as the best proposer. Rep. Pia said that he likes the Master Plan and normally would not vote against the contract but in light of the way things were handled, he objected to the director and department heads making statements and then doing whatever they felt like doing after the committees met.

REP. BOCCUZZI said that Southfield has had contact with the consulting group for Southfield Park and the consultant held three public meetings to find out what the general public wanted so that when plans are being drawn, they would take into consideration the concerns of the residents. Rep. Boccuzzi said that the consultants were very cooperative and took all the questions and worked them into the plan for Southfield Park to the best of their ability.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. BOCCUZZI said that if the consultants go on as they have with Southfield for all the other parks and open spaces, the city will be in good shape with each of the parks. He recommended approval of the contract with Ward Associates as a time schedule is set and with approving the contract, things will be done at Southfield prior to the season's opening.

REP. MAIHOCK said that she agreed with Rep. Zelinsky's remarks as the plan will be expensive to execute. She said that Mr. Elkins, who is a professional, should be able to determine if the plan is what should be done and what should be comprised in the plan; this would save the city money.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the contract. APPROVED by voice vote with five no votes, Reps. Pia, Maihock, Vitti, Conti and Sabia.

REP. NAKIAN thanked her Committee members. She said that 124 items came before the Committee with many items requiring two meetings in one month and there was never a meeting without a quorum. She said that all were willing to work on all the issues and had a lot of good ideas. Rep. Nakian said that the Committee was a great one to work with and again, thanked each and every member for a very successful 23rd Board Legislative and Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Nakian and her Committee for the fine work they did.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Chairman

REP. HOGAN said that the Committee met on October 17, November 8, and on November 17, 1995.

Rep. Hogan Moved item 3 on the Consent Agenda. Seconded. The Secondary Committee concurred.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve the Consent Agenda. APPROVED by voice vote with one abstention, Rep. Conti.

1. PROPOSED RESOLUTION CONCERNING ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES TO TAKE EXAMINATIONS. Submitted by Reps. Robert DeLuca, R-14, Ralph Loglisci, R-14, John J. Boccuzzi, D-2 and Jeffrey T. Curtis, Sr., D-9, 12/6/94. Board approved possibility of charging fee 7/10/95. Held in Committee 8/7, 9/5 and 10/2/95.

REP. HOGAN said that the Board is on record in favor of the fees but mechanics were not available as to how the fees were to be collected, administered and accounted for; the item will be resubmitted to the next Board.

2. REPORT ON FIRE DEPARTMENT PROCEDURES REGARDING CANCER CLAUSE IN THE LABOR CONTRACT. Requested by Rep. Carmen Domonkos, D-18, 8/1/94. Held in Committee 9/7, 10/3, 11/1/94; 2/6, 6/5, 7/10, 8/7, 9/5 and 10/2/95. Held in Steering 11/16/94 and 2/15/95. Held on Pending Agenda 12/14/94 and 3/15/95.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. HOGAN thanked Rep. Conti for her help with this item. He said that Chief Graner is to submit to the Board a letter detailing the accounts of the methods and procedures prior to the expiration of this Board.

3. FOR FINAL ADOPTION - PROPOSED ORDINANCE CONCERNING CREATING AND DESIGNATING THE POSITION OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER AS UNCLASSIFIED. This position is for the Board of Education. Submitted by Michael R. Nast, Superintendent of Schools, Stamford Public Schools, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, CT 06904-2152, 9/12/95. Approved for publication 10/2/95.

REP. HOGAN said a public hearing was held on October 17. There were no comments from the public; appearing were Superintendent Nash, Dr. Rutolo, Dr. Cook and Mildred Merchant of the Personnel Department. He said that the ordinance was approved by the Committee with six in favor and one negative vote. Moved. Seconded.

PRESIDENT RINALDI called for a vote to approve item 3. APPROVED by voice vote with two no votes, Reps. Conti and Maihock.

4. APPROVAL OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND LOCAL 1083, COUNCIL 4, AFSCME, AFL-CIO (CUSTODIANS). Three year contract from July 1, 1994 to June 30, 1996. Wage increases at 3% per year for a compounded value of 9.27%. Contract also includes other changes. Submitted by C. R. Grebey, Director, Labor Relations, 10/11/95. Complete agreement will be submitted to the Board within 14 days, October 24, 1995. Board then has thirty days to act upon the contract, November 24, 1995. Board of Finance approved 11/9/95.

Above also referred to LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE.

APPROVED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ONE ABSTENTION, REP. CONTI.

REP. HOGAN thanked the members of his Committee for their diligent work throughout the years; Vice Chair Vitti, Reps. Stork, Zelinsky, DePina, Conti, Fedeli, McDonald and Housey whose term on the Board was split.

Rep. Hogan thanked all the Board members for their cooperation over all the years. He said that it was a pleasure and privilege to serve the people of the 12th District on the Board and will treasure those years. He thanked President Rinaldi, Clerk Summerville and the office staff for all their help.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Rep. Hogan and his Committee for all their efforts.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMITTEE - Donald Sherer, Chairman - No report.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE - Jeffrey Curtis & Bobby Owens. Co-Chairmen

REP. OWENS said that the Committee met on Thursday, October 26, 1995 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee members Curtis, Martinsen and Owens; Reps. Corelli, Dmonkos, Pia and Nakian; Asst. Corporation Counsel Ken Povodator; Supervisor of Solid Waste Lou David; Attorney Howard Stein and Bob Oxer representing Southern Connecticut Recycling and John Strat, of Building and Grounds.

PUBLIC WORKS & SEWER COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. OWENS said that three members of his Committee were present so there was no quorum. He said that there was discussion on the items.

1. MATTER OF THE LEGALITY OF THE CITY ARBITRARILY CHARGING SOUTHERN CONNECTICUT RECYCLING (SCR) THE BULKY WASTE (BW) RATE OF \$65.00 PER TON FOR DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE (MSW) WHICH BY ORDINANCE IS CHARGED A FEE OF \$40.00 PER TON. Submitted by Reps. Lucy Corelli, R-16 and Ralph F. Loglisci, R-14, 7/11/95. Held in Committee 8/7, 9/5 and 10/2/95.

REP. OWENS said that item 1 will be resubmitted to the new Board. He said that the financial impact had to be known if the ordinance is to be changed and the information was not received.

2. FEASIBILITY OF PROVIDING A PROGRAM OF CITY PICKUP OF HOUSEHOLD DEBRIS. Perhaps modeled on the New Haven program of individually scheduled pickup for which a fee is charged. Submitted by Maria Nakian, Chairwoman, Legislative & Rules Committee, 7/11/95. Held in Committee 8/7, 9/5 and 10/2/95.

REP. OWENS said that on item 2, information was not available and the item will be resubmitted to the next Board.

3. REVIEW POLICY CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS. Some buildings under supervision of departments lack resources to maintain them. Perhaps all buildings and grounds except school system ones should be under the Public Works Department. Submitted by Rep. Robert DeLuca, R-14, 8/30/95. Held in Committee 10/2/95.

REP. OWENS said that Glen MacWilliams, Supervisor of Building and Grounds, Public Works Department said that he is accepting the responsibility of taking over the Parks Department buildings if the fiscal year 1996/97 budget provides for it.

Rep. Owens, as Co-Chair of the Committee, thanked his Co-Chair Jeff Curtis, those that will be leaving the Board, Rep. Hogan, Rep. Johnson and Rep. Martinsen and wished they were returning to the Board; and Reps. White, DeLuca and Sabia. Rep. Owens stated that there were many items on his agenda especially with the closing of the incinerator and the tipping fee situation. He again thanked his Committee and President Rinaldi.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Reps. Owens and Curtis and the Committee members for their good work.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Ralph Loglisci & Audrey Maihock, Co-Chairs

No report.

REP. MAIHOCK, also speaking on behalf of Rep. Loglisci, thanked the Health and Protection Committee. She said that the Co-Chairs were happy to have such a nice Committee and appreciated their patience and hard work especially on the lead abatement ordinance which was complicated and very technical. She said that it took a while but Dr. McBride's request was met.

HEALTH & PROTECTION COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. MAIHOCK extended special thanks to Committee members Joseph Vitti, Ellen Mellis, Angela Housey, Lucy Corelli and Bobby Owens.

Rep. Maihock said that she and Ralph give special thanks to Anne Kachaluba, Marge Cocolis and Eva Weller for all their help; it was always given so graciously and cheerfully.

Rep. Maihock said that once during her tenure, she was asked to substitute for Clerk Annie Summerville and knows how difficult the job is. Rep. Maihock thanked Clerk Summerville for her services.

Rep. Maihock also thanked Mary Lou for keeping the Board on the right track when the discussions threatened to derail and for an excellent performance as President of the Board of Representatives.

Rep. Maihock thanked Phil Stork for his service as the Co-Minority Leader. He always had sincere, good, frank advice and it was taken most of the time. Also, she extended a big thanks to Ralph Loglisci for guiding the Republican Caucus through some very significant agendas in the busy years and she said that she is certain that the Caucus agrees with her.

Rep. Maihock expressed her thanks to each member for permitting her to share a part of each one's life with her. She said that it was a great pleasure for her to serve with the members and will surely miss them. Rep. Maihock stated that although she is retiring from the Board, her thoughts more than once will be with the members on Monday nights. Rep. Maihock wished everyone on the Board good fortune in all they do.

REP. LOGLISCI thanked Audrey Maihock for all her years of service on the Board. He said that he will miss Audrey and her informative phone calls. He said that Audrey never missed a meeting and was always there when called and responded; she had a point of view whether the others agreed or not, Audrey was never afraid to bring it forth. Rep. Loglisci said that Audrey was dedicated and had a strong conviction and that will be dearly missed by the Board. "Thank you, Audrey."

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE - Thomas Pia & Robert DeLuca, Co-Chairmen

No report.

REP. DeLUCA thanked the Committee. He said that some controversial items were taken up by the Committee and were handled without any problems. He said that the Committee has always been dedicated, sincere and hard working for the City of Stamford and resulting from this, the fees for the facilities are self-sustaining, a plus for the budget in times when the taxes are rising.

Rep. DeLuca said that the dedication event to rename "Horseshoe Beach" in honor of former Mayor Thomas F. J. Quigley was successful; there were almost a 100 people present. He said that if one could see the expression on Mr. Quigley's face when he saw the dedicating sign, heard the comments and the reading of the resolution, was something to behold.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: (continued)

REP. DeLUCA, again, thanked his Committee for their dedication and attendance. He looked forward to the future Board and to those members not present, he enjoyed his working relationship with them.

PRESIDENT thanked the Parks and Recreation Committee for all their efforts.

EDUCATION, WELFARE & GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE - John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Chairman

No report.

REP. ZELINSKY said that he thanks his Vice Chairman John Leydon and Committee members, Reps. Alswanger, Laurie, Maihock, and Scalzi. He said that the Committee always did their homework and attended the meetings which made it a lot easier for him. He again thanked all of them for all their help.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Chairman Zelinsky and his Committee for all their hard work.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE - Maria Nakian, Chairwoman - No report.

REP. NAKIAN thanked the Committee members for their hard work; the issue of Swiss Bank was dealt with and it was done swiftly. She said the Committee was great to work with.

PRESIDENT RINALDI extended thanks to Maria and the rest of the Committee.

HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Elaine Mitchell, Chairwoman

REP. MITCHELL said that the Committee met on October 17, 1995. Present were Committee members Johnson, Joram, Mellis, Mitchell and Summerville; also Tim Beeble, Director of Community Development; Sandy Dennies, Grants Director and Ed Schwartz, Executive Director of the Housing Authority.

Rep. Mitchell sent out a written report to all members which is attached to these Minutes.

1. STATUS REVIEW WITH SUB-GRANTEES FUNDED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT. Submitted by Timothy Beeble, Community Development Director, 7/12/95. Reports made and Held in Committee 8/7, 9/5 and 10/2/95.

REPORT MADE

REP. MITCHELL thanked each member of her Committee. She said that it was pleasant, fun and she enjoyed working with each member. She extended best wishes to Angela Housey, Bill Joram and Fred Johnson.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Elaine and the Committee for all their hard work.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE - Kit Martinsen, Chairwoman - No report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE - Marggie Laurie, Chairwoman - No report.

REP. LAURIE said that on occasions, the Committee did have issues to take up. She appreciated the work done by the Committee and thanked them for their diligence and dedication. She also thanked the members of the Board and the people of the 8th District for having the opportunity to serve.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked Marggie and her Committee for their work.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

HOUSE COMMITTEE - Gerald Rybnick, Chairman - No report.

CLERK SUMMERVILLE spoke on behalf of Jerry Rybnick. She said that Jerry would have said that he enjoyed working with the three members of his Committee. Clerk Summerville, on behalf of the Board, thanked Jerry for the wonderful sandwiches and coffee; the coffee was late this evening because Jerry was not here. Clerk Summerville said that Jerry's heart is with the Board this evening.

REP. McDONALD said that he has been talking on a daily basis with members of Rep. Rybnick's family and Jerry wished that he could be here this evening for his last meeting and is here in spirit. He said that Jerry is doing better; he is sitting up and reading the paper and will be watching the Board's action in tomorrow's paper. Rep. McDonald said that the family extends their appreciation for all the things that have been done for them.

PRESIDENT RINALDI said that Rep. Rybnick is in our thoughts and prayers and we look forward to seeing him amongst us.

LABOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE - John Boccuzzi & Nicholas Pavia, Co-Chairmen

No report.

REP. BOCCUZZI, also on behalf of Rep. Pavia, thanked the Committee; Herman Alswanger, John Hogan, Ralph Loglisci and Joseph Vitti. He said there wasn't too much work, but the work assigned to the Committee was done correctly.

REP. PAVIA thanked Rep. Boccuzzi for sharing the Chairmanship with him and thanked the Committee.

Rep. Pavia, on a personal note to Fred Johnson, said that he will miss Fred and Fred is his number one advisor in the district so the district will be well served.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked the Labor Relation Committee for their work.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - Ronald Sabia, Chairman - No report.

REP. SABIA said that since he became Chairman two months ago, he thanked his Committee even though they never met but he knows that they were behind him. He thanked all the Board members for working with him.

REP. RINALDI thanked the Committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - John J. Boccuzzi & Ralph Loglisci, Co-Chairmen

No report.

REP. LOGLISCI thanked the Committee.

REP. SABIA that he will miss his co-partner, Philip Stork.

REP. STORK said that tonight marks the final meeting of his 6th term as a member of the Legislative Body. He said that he loved every minute of his time on the Board and cherished the privilege of representing the 15th District longer than anyone before him. Rep. Stork said that he felt that this was the best non-paying job in Stamford.

Rep. Stork thanked the Republican Caucus for their faith in him by electing him to Leadership the last three terms. He wished President Rinaldi and Rep. McDonald the best of luck as they leave the Board for the Board of Finance. He said that to his valued colleagues on both sides of the aisle moving on to the 24th Board of Representatives, nothing but the best as you carry on the city's business and his deepest respect.

Rep. Stork said that it was highly unlikely that he will run for the Board again, many constituents have asked him not to close the door. He said that he will be involved to some degree because he simply loves the City of Stamford. Rep. Stork said that to his colleagues that are leaving the Board of Representatives this evening, he will enjoy with them, planning for all the free time they will have. "Thank you, very much."

REVALUATION COMMITTEE - John J. Hogan, Chairman - No report.

REP. HOGAN thanked Reps. Martin, Loglisci and Pia for being members of the Committee.

PRESIDENT RINALDI thanked the Committee.

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE - David Martin & Donald Sherer, Co-Chairman

No report.

REP. MARTIN said that he and his Co-Chair Don Sherer, want to thank the Committee for all their hard work. He said that about a year and a half ago, there were about 15 meetings in the course of two months. He said that he was very thankful that the Committee did their work and there were some tough battles which were worked out; everyone on the Committee worked very hard. He said that was the reason the proposals came forth. Rep. Martin said that the proposals may not have been perfect but were a major step forward. He thanked not only the Committee and said that all the Board members are to be congratulated for the risks they took.

CHARTER REVISION COMMITTEE: (continued)

PRESIDENT RINALD thanked David Martin and Donald Sherer and Committee for their hard work.

RESOLUTIONS

1. SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION REQUESTING A CITY-WIDE LEAF PICK UP PROGRAM.
Submitted by 23rd Board of Representatives, 10/11/95.

NO ACTION REQUIRED - ISSUE RESOLVED

MINUTES


1. JULY 10, 1995 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
2. JULY 17, 1995 SPECIAL MEETING - Approved.
3. AUGUST 7, 1995 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Approved.
4. SEPTEMBER 5, 1995 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.
5. OCTOBER 2, 1995 REGULAR BOARD MEETING - Not ready.

COMMUNICATIONS - President Rinaldi said that Certificates of Appreciation will be going out to all Board members; they have to be signed by the Mayor and will be sent out.


OLD BUSINESS - None.

NEW BUSINESS - None.

ADJOURNMENT - Upon a motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 p.m.


Anne A. Kachaluba, Administrative Assistant
and Recording Secretary
23rd Board of Representatives

APPROVED:


Mary Lou T. Rinaldi, President
23rd Board of Representatives
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Enclosures