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A regular meeting of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held at the Burdick Junior High School in the City of Stamford, Connecticut, on Monday, November 13, 1950 at 8 P.M. The meeting was called to order by the President, Samuel F. Pierson.

Rabbi Ehrenkranz gave the invocation.

A roll call was taken, with 29 present and 10 absent as indicated on the attached attendance sheet.

The President presented the September 11th and October 2nd minutes for acceptance.

On page 282, "corporation counsel" be changed to "spokesman of the Personnel Commission". Also in the minutes of October 2nd, page 308, "Mr. Hinman" be changed to "Stamford Advocate."

Hilda Clarke, 17th District, MOVED the minutes be accepted, as corrected, seconded by John Cook, 15th District, and CARRIED.

Presentation was made by the Board to Mr. J. Corrente upon his entry into the Service.

PETITIONS

Petition #90

Bedford Street Association re permission for a Nativity Scene located between Bedford and Prospect Streets, starting December 1st thru Holiday season.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED permission be granted, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

Petition #91

Christmas Decorations Committee re permission for use of St. John's Park, Central Park and Davenport Park for the erection of a Christmas Tree to be silvered, decorated and flood-lighted from November 23 until January 1, 1951. Also use of Town Hall Steps and plaza to be used as a platform for conducting various programs.

Louise Seeley, 1st District MOVED permission be granted to the Retail Merchants Council for the use of St. John's Park, Central Park and Davenport Park for the erection of Christmas trees to be silvered, decorated and flood-lighted from November 23, 1950 until January 1, 1951, seconded by John Cook, 15th District, and CARRIED. Request for the use of the Town Hall steps and Plaza to be used as a platform for conducting various programs was DENIED. In regard to the erection of decorations over Atlantic and Main Streets, the Board recommended that the Retail Council first secure approval of the Building Inspector.

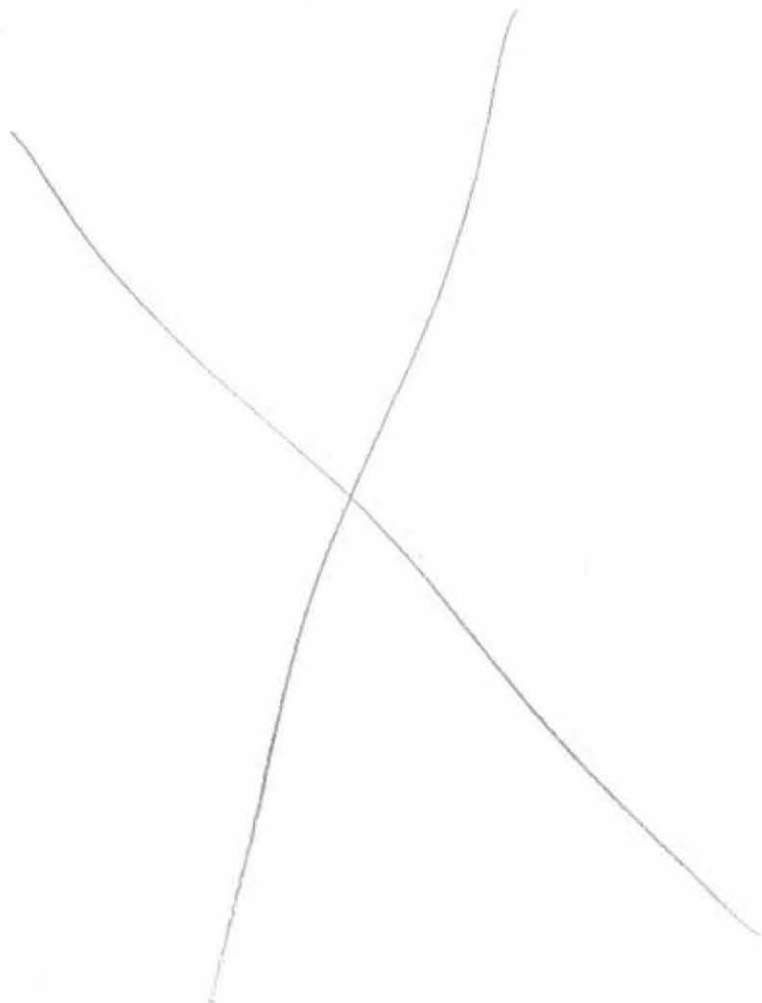
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Glenbrook Business Association re permission to erect two lighted Christmas trees in Glenbrook; one tree on Liberty Square and the other in the park on Hope Street, opposite Union Street.

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Petition #93

Christmas Seal Sale Committee re permission to erect T.B. Double-Barred Cross in St. John's Park.



CORRECTIONS FOR THE MINUTES NOVEMBER 13, 1950

Page 322 - Next to last paragraph changed to:

Robert Shepherd, 9th District, stated that the City Engineer had asked that the sub surface be properly constructed before surfacing, which was not done. Further, that it would be very foolish for this Board to accept the roads in the face of the unfavorable opinion of the Corporation Counsel.

Page 328 - Statement of Louise Seeley, 1st District, 6th paragraph from bottom of page, should be changed as follows:

"stated that this was part of our capital budget and was included in the bond issue which we approved last May. This proposal is to transfer the appropriation from the capital to the operating budget so that it can be purchased at once from the general fund in order to get an advantageous price."

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Helen J. Bromley, 20th District MOVED permission be granted, seconded by James N. Mulreed, 4th District, and CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Nomination of Thomas F. J. Cugley to the Board of Taxation, to fill the unexpired term of John J. McNerney, which expires on April 15, 1952. Referred to the Appointments Committee for report at the next meeting.

2. Emergency appropriation of \$65.00 for an actuarial study to determine the contribution rate of the municipality in the Connecticut Municipal Employee's Retirement Fund. No action was taken by the Board pending action by the Board of Finance.

3. Renewal of lease of dynamite magazines to the American Cyanamid Company, The Board did not feel that a lease for the exclusive use of one company or person should be considered. A suggestion was made that the magazines be made available to everyone at a reasonable fee to cover the expense of an attendant. The Board has turned this matter over to the Health and Protection Committee for further investigation.

4. Reconsideration of the emergency appropriation of \$2,200.00 for a fence around the parking area on Bell Street. Walter F. Seely, 6th District MOVED that the Bill be reconsidered, seconded by Sewell H. Corkran, 18th District. The motion was FUT and defeated by a rising vote of 8 in favor, 22 opposed.

5. Request to install parking meters
- a. South side of Spring Street from Bedford to Summer Streets
 - b. Both sides of Summer from Broad to Spring Streets
 - c. Both sides of Forest Street to Greyrock Place
 - d. Right side of Prospect Street from Forest Street to opposite Christian Science Church.
 - e. Extension of meters on West side of Bedford Street to the point opposite Walton Place

Michael Wofsey, 1st District MOVED that these requests be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by William A. Adriance, 18th District and CARRIED.

6. Request to install parking meters:
- a. Greyrock Place, on the east side, from Forest St., to Main Street and on both sides from Main St. to Brook St.
 - b. Suburban Avenue from Main St. to Forest Street.
 - c. Forest Street from Grove St. to Prospect St.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District MOVED that these requests be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by William A. Adriance, 18th District and CARRIED.

7. Building Line throughout the entire length of State Street and Hawthorne Street.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District MOVED that they be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by William A. Adriance, 18th District and CARRIED.

8. Requested pension of Mr. Fred DeCarlo.

Louise T. Seeley, 1st District reporting for the Fiscal Committee, said the

pension has not been approved by the Board of Finance, and could make no recommendation until the eventual terms of the pension are known. Louise Seeley, 1st District MOVED that the pension be placed on file until further notice from the Board of Finance, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER BOARDS & INDIVIDUALS

1. Planning Board

a. Preliminary report of the Planning Board and the Architect's Board of Design regarding progress of Civic Center Project. Mr. Sherman R. Hoyt, Chairman of the Planning Board, was asked to speak on the subject. His detailed report was presented to each member of The Board of Representatives. Babette S. Ransohoff, 15th District, asked if it were going to be possible to keep the present residential area from turning into a business zone. Mr. Hoyt said that the board has discussed the location with the Zoning Board and their agreement is that if that site is selected the area should be kept residential as long as possible.

Mr. James N. Mulreed, 4th District, questioned the accessibility to the people in various areas of the city — Waterside, Cove, etc.

Mr. Hoyt said that the Board has given consideration to this question and felt that there was little difference in distance from the square to the Woodside site as against the Hoyt Street site. (He pointed this out on the Chart.) He also stated that the buses would be routed accordingly.

Mr. Hoyt said that he would like to explain that the Planning Board gave great consideration to the method of making this recommendation and decided the fairest way to everyone in Stamford was to appear before the Board of Representatives.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, asked where the entrance would be to the City Hall property.

Mr. Hoyt stated that there were several possible entrances, but there was nothing definite because prices may go up on land if certain sections were mentioned.

Sewell H. Corkran, 18th District, stated that the location was ideal and that it was a happy selection. He was very much in favor of it.

Mr. Francis Mayors, of the Board of Design, was called up to answer some of the questions put to him by the Board.

Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, made the motion to act on the site immediately, stating that he approved this site from this information provided by the Planning Board.

Babette Ransohoff, 15th District, said that since the public had not been informed of this proposal, and since we are a representative group, that we wait at least a month in order to hear from our constituents.

Patrick J. Hogan, James Mulreed, John Cameron and Louise Seeley favored postponing our decision.

Sewell Corkran, MOVED we postpone this entirely until next meeting, December 4th. John L. Cameron, 20th District, seconded, and the motion was CARRIED with a standing vote of 26 in favor and 3 opposed.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, asked if the Planning Board was in a position to present the Advocate with a map so that the people will see what is proposed for the Civic Center.

James N. Mulreed, 4th District, stated he would like to make certain that the people of Stamford would be informed of this site.

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b. Recommendation for acceptance of 275 foot extension of Maltbie Avenue.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District MOVED that the acceptance of 275 foot extension of Maltbie Ave. be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by Michael E. Laureno, 3rd District.

c. Recommendation for acceptance:

- (1) Approximately 700 feet Blueberry Drive
- (2) Approximately 450 feet Stillview Drive
- (3) Approximately 600 feet Pond Road

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District MOVED that approximately 700 feet Blueberry Drive, approximately 450 feet Stillview Drive, approximately 600 feet Pond Road be accepted, seconded by Patrick J. Hogan, 10th District, and CARRIED.

d. Procedure adopted by Planning Board re acceptance of streets as public highways.

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District stated that due to an absentee from his committee no report was available. He MOVED that the recommended procedure for acceptance of streets as public highways be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED.

e. Recommendations that Third Fair Lawn Corp. roads — Standish and Seaton Roads, and Revere Drive,—be accepted.

Samuel Pierson said the question was whether or not the guarantee by Pavements, Inc. refer only to the surface of the roads.

A letter from the Corporation Council was read to the Board of Representatives, stating that this guarantee does not afford the City the protection it should have. The guarantee as written is not in the nature of a bond in so far as the City is concerned.

The question was also asked as to whether or not the guarantee by Pavements, Inc. covers only the work done by that concern. It was the opinion of the Corporation Council that the guarantee applies only to the actual work performed by Pavements, Inc. and not to the work performed by others. The letter also stated that the guarantee is confined solely against "faulty workmanship and/or materials for a period of five years" and is not an undertaking to repair the roads if damage is caused by other factors.

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, MOVED that Standish and Seaton Roads and Revere be accepted as public highways seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District. Babette S. Ransohoff, 15th District, asked Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District if the Corporation Council's opinion affected his decision in any way.

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District stated that the last communication from the City engineer to the Planning Board was that it was his opinion that the roads were in acceptable condition.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, brought up the question of bonds concerning the acceptance of streets as public highways.

Samuel Pierson stated that the committee should only assure itself that the work has been done according to experts and if the roads are accepted by the Planning Board he failed to see how the Board can discriminate by requiring bonds in certain instances.

Mont Sutherland, 17th District, stated that lower Seaton Road did not stand up, and perhaps that is why we need a Bond.

Robert G. Shepherd, 9th District, stated that the City Engineer, ^{had asked that the sub-surface be} ~~proposed to be accepted~~ ^{and that it would be foolish to accept the roads without asking the Corporation Council.} ~~and that it would be foolish to accept the roads without asking the Corporation Council.~~ ^{on the basis of the unfavorable opinion of the}

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, then read Leon Tuttle's letter of September 13, 1950 which stated that all repairs have been made to conform with the requirement and standards of the de-

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partment.

James N. Mulreed, 4th District, stated that the Board of Representatives had received information that the sub-surface of the roads were not in conformity with our City Engineer's requirements, and that we want to guard the city from future expense.

The motion to accept these streets was put and CARRIED.

f. Recommendation on offer of a tract in Laddins Rock Farm area to City by Jesse Hartman.

This matter was placed on file pending the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Committee.

g. Recommendation of acceptance of portion of Sylvan Knoll Road.

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, read the report of the Planning and Zoning Committee. He MOVED that the portion of Sylvan Knoll Road described by the City Engineer running from "... a point designated zero plus zero as shown on the map entitled, 'Revised plan and profile of Sylvan Knoll at Stamford, Connecticut, to a point approximately at station seven plus zero' and that portion of Sylvan Knoll Road to Seaside Avenue, be accepted as a public highway," seconded by Edward J. Wojciechowski, 2nd District, and CARRIED.

h. Recommendation on proposal of Mr. Jesse Hartman to purchase property on Hoyt Street. Michael Wofsey, 1st District, asked Mr. Sherman Hoyt the price of the proposed property.

Mr. Hoyt said that the price on 6 acres was \$47,300 and that the option had been extended to December 31, 1950 and that The First Stamford Corporation has given the City of Stamford an option to buy the six acres of property owned by the Corporation, situated on the North side of Hoyt St. in the City of Stamford, and the option to be for a period of four months from the date hereof at a price equal to the amount that the Corporation paid for the property plus any disbursements made by the Corporation for proposed plans regarding use of the property, as well as a return of 6 per cent interest on the cost.

Samuel Pierson, President said that it should be placed on file pending the recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Committee.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED it be filed, pending action by Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by Michael E. Laureno, 3rd District and CARRIED.

Mr. Clifford Waterbury MOVED that there be a 10 minute recess, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED.

Meeting called back to order at 10:35 p.m. by the President, Samuel Pierson.

BOARD OF FINANCE

a. Amendment to the Capital Projects Program of additional appropriation of \$375.00 to Prec. 1 for purchase of one E & J small portable size inhalator.

John W. Cook, 15th District, said the figures had been gone over very carefully and that he was in favor of the appropriation.

Louise Seeley, 1st District MOVED the appropriation be granted for \$375.00 to Precinct I for one standard size Inhalator, also the additional appropriation of \$90.00 considered at the October meeting for these inhalators. Also an amendment to the Capital Project Program an additional appropriation for \$325.00 for Precinct II one small portable size Inhalator. Also, the additional appropriation of \$90.00 considered at the October meeting for these Inhalators. She went on to say that they would be allowed \$10.00 for each old tank and that the new ones would cost \$20.00 a tank. The old tanks will be turned in.

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Hunt Sutherland, 17th District, said that we had two new inhalators now and that there were other things needed before getting more Inhalators.

George W. Lockwood, 14th District, said that if these Inhalators save one life, they are needed.

Hunt Sutherland, 17th District, said that the police cars do not have first aid kits in their cars and that the first aid kits would be needed before Inhalators.

Louise Seeley's motion was seconded by John Cook, 15th District, and CARRIED by rising vote of 30 in favor and 2 opposed.

c. Emergency appropriation of \$3,500 to Planning Board for temporary assistance.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, reported that this assistance is necessary for re-zoning and getting the necessary data for The Planning Board.

Mr. Sherman Hoyt, Chairman of the Planning Board was asked to speak again. He said that the temporary aspect of this request did not begin with the Planning Board because they felt the need of more permanent assistance. They hope to get this temporary assistance through the Personnel Commission.

Samuel Pierson, President, said that if an appropriation is not made in the next budget, this job ceases to exist, and will be only temporary.

Louise T. Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that the appropriation of \$3,500 for temporary assistance be granted, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

d. Additional Appropriation of \$429.87 to Public Works Department to allow purchase of new garbage truck.

Louise T. Seeley, 1st District, recommended approval of this appropriation.

George Lockwood, 14th District, talked on the bidding of trucks, asking that some consideration be given to the Stamford dealers. (He excluded himself saying that as a member of The Board of Representatives he should not bid.)

Louise Seeley, 1st District, recommended that the city automotive equipment be the responsibility of one administrator.

Babette Ransohoff, 15th District, asked if it should not all be under the purchasing agent.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, said that it was a matter of keeping it in repair.

Samuel Pierson, suggested that it could be handled the same way the city insurance is handled.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that the emergency appropriation of \$429.87 be granted to the Public Works Department to allow the purchase of new garbage truck, seconded by Samuel Cook, 11th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

e. Approval of proposed layout of St. Charles Avenue on condition that transfers of property not be made until road is accepted by the City.

The President, Samuel Pierson read the Board of Finance report which stated that the proposed layout of St. Charles Avenue would involve the transfer of property and required the approval of the Board of Finance in accordance with Section 488. It was noted that the portion of the street to be affected was not as yet approved by the City. It was the decision that the layout as presently proposed be approved but any transfers of property not be effected until such time as the street is formally accepted as a public highway by the City of Stamford.

Michael E. Laureno, 3rd District MOVED that the approval of proposed layout of St. Charles Avenue on condition that transfers of property not be made until road is accepted by the City be

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referred to the Planning Board, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED.

f. Approval of invoice of Hadfield, Rothwell, Soule and Coates for \$1,430.00 to cover cost of reconciliation of the payroll bank account of the City for period June 30, 1949 to April 30, 1950.

Samuel Pierson, President stated that no action by the Board of Representatives would be necessary according to the Charter, section 658.1 and recommended it be part of the Fiscal Committee Report, and that it be sent out to the Board of Finance with the minutes.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED that the approval of invoice of Hadfield Rothwell, Soule and Coates for \$1,430 to cover cost of reconciliation of the payroll bank account of the City for period June 30, 1949 to April 30, 1950 be made part of the Fiscal Committee report and be sent out to the Board of Finance with the minutes, seconded by Hunt Sutherland, 17th District, and CARRIED.

3. Chief of Police re installation of meters on southerly side of Broad Street from Gay St. to Greyrock Place.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District MOVED the installation of meters on southerly side of Broad St. from Gay Street to Greyrock be referred to the Planning and Zoning Committee, seconded by Louise Seeley, 1st District, and CARRIED.

4. Urban Redevelopment Commission re resolution for advance funds in order to set up the operation of the Urban Redevelopment Commission.

Samuel Pierson, stated that the Steering Committee had written a letter to the Corporation Council, but he was unable to advise us in the matter of Urban Redevelopment without further information.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED we hear from Mr. Jombroski, seconded by John L. Cameron, 20th District, and CARRIED.

Mr. Jombroski stated that the only obligation that the City has is when the project is finally approved by the Planning Board and by the Board of Representatives. The reason we need funds is that quite a bit of study and survey is needed in regard to redevelopment. He explained that the City would not be obligated to the Federal Government for this loan, and that the loan would be absorbed in the total cost of the project, if adopted.

Two thirds of the total cost is paid by the Federal Government and 1/3 by the Local Government. He said that he hoped that the Board of Representatives would act on this and that he was sorry to hear that the Corporation Counsel recommended a postponement.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District referring to Resolution #84 (p. 225) the June 12th minutes) MOVED the adoption of the recommendation.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, asked if the Urban Redevelopment Commission wouldn't be duplicating surveys by The Planning Board. She pointed out that the cost came from the taxpayers, whether it was on The local or Federal level. Mr. Jombroski said that the group making the study would be working with our local Planning Board and providing them information.

Helen J. Bromley, 20th District, said that she thought action should be postponed and that we should have the Corporation Counsel's opinion.

John L. Cameron, 20th District, stated that if the adoption was voted on then, he would vote against it, since the Corporation Counsel's opinion had not been given.

Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, stated that Stamford did need a Urban Redevelopment and that since we would not be liable for the first finance loan, we should act on the matter immediately.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, asked if there was any comment from the members of the Planning Board present.

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Mr. Hoyt stated that he had not seen the resolution and that he would like to have clarified under the Charter the Planning Board responsibilities for Redevelopment. He went on to say that if we undertook a completely literal interpretation it would cost us three times as much money for the Planning Board to do the job.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED the adoption of Resolution #97, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District and CARRIED by rising vote of 22 in favor and 6 opposed. (Ralph Nau, 19th District, had left the meeting.)

RESOLUTION #97: -RESOLUTION OF LOCAL GOVERNING BODY

WHEREAS, it is necessary and in the public interest that the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission avail itself of the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that surveys be made and other activities be performed preparatory to undertaking such projects; and

WHEREAS, it is recognized that Title I of the Housing Act of 1949, imposes certain obligations and responsibilities upon local public agencies availing themselves of such financial assistance, and requires among other things: (1) the approval of the redevelopment plan by the governing body of the locality in which the project is situated, with appropriate findings (a) that financial aid by the Federal Government is necessary, (b) that the redevelopment plans for the redevelopment areas in the locality will afford maximum opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the locality as a whole, for the redevelopment of such areas by private enterprise, and (c) that the redevelopment plan conforms to a general plan for the development of the locality as a whole; (2) the provision of local grants-in-aid; (3) the development of a feasible method for the relocation of families displaced from the project area; and (4) the several other local obligations and responsibilities imposed by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 in connection with the undertaking and carrying out of slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, as follows:

Section 1. That the financial assistance provided by Title I of the Housing Act of 1949 to assist local slum clearance and urban redevelopment projects is necessary; and

Section 2. That it is fully cognizant of the foregoing obligations and responsibilities imposed by Title I, and it is the sense of this body that such obligations and responsibilities can and will be fulfilled; and

Section 3. That the filing of an Application or Applications by the City of Stamford, Connecticut Urban Redevelopment Commission, for a Preliminary Advance of funds from the Housing and Home Finance Administrator under Title I is hereby approved.

SAMUEL F. PIERSON

CHAIRMAN

 BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEESFiscal Committee

Resolution introduced by Walter Seely favoring payments to men who are employees of the City and have entered the Armed Forces.

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Louise Seeley, 1st District read the Fiscal Committee's report stating that the Committee needed to know more about the possible cost of this procedure before it could make any recommendation.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that the resolution be referred to the Personnel Director for information and recommendation, seconded by John L. Cameron, 20th District, and CARRIED.

Appointments Committee

Nomination of Joseph K. Sherman to the Zoning Board to fill the unexpired term of Leonard Kavin, which expires on April 15, 1954.

Daniel Miller MOVED, it was seconded, and the nomination was accepted by a vote of 27 in favor and 2 against.

Steering Committee

Mr. Pierson gave the report of the Steering Committee, commenting on:

1. Copy of letter from the Hycliff Club to the Mayor regarding the extension of sanitary sewer on Levenmeyer tract. It was noted this letter was addressed to the administration, however, a copy was referred to the Public Works Committee and Planning Board.
2. Letter from Marine Corps League for permission to hold a rally at West Park on November 9, 1950, was considered granted by the Steering Committee since the rally would be held before the regular Board meeting.
3. The Mayor's letter of October 6th regarding the leasing of the Detective Bureau and Building Inspector office space was read. It was pointed out that this matter should not be before the Board since this Board was not involved in the leasing of property or space by the City. Mr. Pierson was asked by the Committee to express the sentiments of the Committee to the Mayor regarding matters which are referred to the Board for action which are administrative problems. Mr. Pierson was also asked to get an opinion in writing from the Corporation Counsel as to the power of this Board in action upon leases BY the City for space or property.
4. Copy of the Mayor's letter to Board of Finance re discontinuation of appraisal of Black Swamp, was placed on file.
5. The letter from Edward J. Hunt, Board of Recreation, regarding the rules and regulations governing the use of parks and recreation facilities was read and placed on file. A copy was sent to Welfare and Recreation for information.
6. Mr. Pierson recommended the nomination of George Connors to fill the vacancy in the Welfare and Recreation Committee of the Board.

Public Welfare and Recreation Committee Report

Helen Bromley, Chairman reported that in September they had received a request from the Public Welfare Commission for permission to use certain portions of the City property near Sunset Home on Scofieldtown Road. Helen Bromley visited this location with Mr. Harry Smith of the Commission. "In the study of the Charter we believe that Sec. 523 Procedure for Reviewing Public Works Proposals is very specific in stating that before the use of any land can be granted by this Board that the location, etc. must first be passed by the Planning Board. Further I found that the \$5,000 which was appropriated by the former Town Board of Finance for drawing plans and specifications for a Nursing Home such as they wanted on this land has been put back into the General Fund as of last June 30, 1950 by order of the Board of Finance. With these facts at hand Mr. Joseph H. Sherman, secretary of Welfare Commission was so notified and they will initiate further plans with the Planning Board. When the proper procedure has been taken, the use of that portion of land will have to again come before this Committee of the Board of Representatives."

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Fiscal Committee

Louise Seeley, Chairman gave her report of which a copy is attached.

It was MOVED and seconded that an emergency appropriation for \$2,268.00 for a new car for the Fire Chief to replace the old worn-out automobile, be placed on the agenda. It was CARRIED unanimously.

Michael Laureno, 3rd District, asked that we hear from the Fire Chief, Mr. Veit.

He said that this appropriation had been passed by the Board of Finance. He said that the new car would be used by the Chief only, and that the old car would be turned in to the oil inspector.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, asked the Chief if he was going to turn in the old car.

Chief Veit said "yes".

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that the emergency appropriation for \$2,268.00 be granted, seconded by Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Planning and Zoning

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, stated in his report not to accept that portion of Moore St. and that this be referred to the Public Works Department. He stated that this was an old road in Stamford and that it would be an expense of \$300. to \$500. for the City to fix the road up.

Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, MOVED that the portion of Moore Street be referred to the Public Works Committee, seconded by Edward Wojciechowski, 2nd District, and CARRIED.

Joseph Zdanowicz 13th District stated that there was no action on Block Lane and MOVED that it be placed on file, seconded by Edward Wojciechowski, 2nd District and CARRIED.

Charter Revision Committee

John L. Cameron, Chairman submitted the high lights of the Charter Revision Committee report, (complete copies of which were provided each member).

A recommendation of the Board of Finance for an emergency appropriation of \$500.00 for Public Works Department for the appropriation of a B.O.D. Incubator for our Sewer Disposal Plant was taken up which was not on the agenda.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, said that it was part of our capital appropriation in our capital budget and that it was part of the bond issue approved at the last Board of Representatives meeting and that the Board of Finance holds us to approval.

Michael Wofsey, 1st District, MOVED that the emergency appropriation be placed on the Agenda, seconded by Michael Laureno, 3rd District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Michael Laureno, 3rd District asked the status of all the bonds.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, said the Bonds will soon be validated.

It was MOVED by Louise Seeley and seconded, and the appropriation was PASSED unanimously.

George Lockwood, 14th District MOVED the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Joseph Zdanowicz, 13th District, and CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
BARLITE S. RANSCHOFF, Clerk

NOTES

- Welfare & Recreation - Bedford St. Assoc. re permission for a Nativity Scene between Bedford and Prospect Streets, Starting Dec. 1 thru Holiday Season
- Christmas Decorations Committee re use of St. John's Park, Central Park for erection of Christmas Tree.
- Glenbrook Business Association re permission to erect Christmas trees in Glenbrook.
- Christmas Seal Sale Committee re permission to erect T. B. Double Barred Cross in St. John's Park.
- Appointments - Nomination of Thomas F. J. Quigley to Board of Taxation.
- Nomination of Joseph K. Sherman to Zoning Board.
- Health & Protection - Renewal of lease of dynamite magazines to American Cyanamid Company.
- Planning and Zoning - Request to install parking meters.
- Building Line throughout the entire length of State St. and Hawthorne St.
- Recommendation for acceptance of 275 foot extension of Maltbie Avenue.
- The Planning Board re acceptance of streets as public highways.
- Recommendation on offer of tract in Laddins Rock Farm area to City by Jesse Hartman.
- Recommendation on proposal of Mr. Jesse Hartman to purchase property on Hoyt Street.
- Installation of meters on southerly side of Broad St. from Gay St. to Greyrock Place.
- Fiscal - Resolution introduced by Walter Seely favoring payments to men who are employees of the City and have entered the Armed Forces.
- Steering Committee - Letter from the Lycliff Club to the Mayor regarding the extension of sanitary sewer on Havemeyer tract.
- Letter from Edward J. Hunt, Board of Recreation, re the use of parks and recreation facilities.
- Public Works Committee - Acceptance of Shore Street.

Report of the Fiscal Committee of the Board of Representatives

Stamford, Conn. November 13, 1950

The Fiscal Committee reports on the following items referred to it:

(1) The request of the Mayor for an appropriation of \$65.00 for the Personnel Department, to be used for an actuarial study of the cost of the City's participation in the Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Fund. Your Committee recommend that the Board approve the appropriation after it has been approved by the Board of Finance, as requested in the Mayor's letter of November 7th. This appropriation is in accord with the action of the Board of Representatives on October 2, page 300 of the minutes.

(2) The Fiscal Committee has been requested by the Mayor in his letter of October 9th to reconsider the Board's refusal to grant an appropriation of \$2,200 for a fence around the municipal parking lot on the corner of Bell and South Streets. Your Committee is still of the opinion that this would be an unwise expenditure, and that since it was denied by the Board in a standing vote of 32 to 0, it considers that there would be no change of opinion by the Board on reconsideration.

(3) The Pension for Mr. DeCarlo has not been approved by the Board of Finance, until the Counsel for Mr. DeCarlo makes a change in the request therefor. Your Committee can make no recommendation until it knows the eventual terms of the pension.

(4) The amendment to the Capital Budget by an additional appropriation of \$375.00 to permit the purchase of one E & J standard inhalator for Precinct I, and of \$325.00 for the purchase of one E & J portable inhalator was approved by the Board of Finance on October 25th. In addition to these amounts, the Board of Representatives must also approve the two appropriations of \$90 each considered at its October meeting for these inhalators. These requests were referred to the Health and Safety Committee as well as the Fiscal Committee, which defers its approval of the appropriation until after the report of the Health and Safety Committee.

(5) The emergency appropriation of \$3,500 for the Planning Board approved by the Board of Finance for two assistants to the Planning Director for the remainder of the fiscal year. These assistants are necessary to accomplish the work for rezoning and to prepare data for the Federal project for redevelopment. Your Committee recommends approval of these appropriations.

(6) The additional appropriation of \$429.87 to cover partially the increased cost of a 5-ton truck with a 14-yard enclosed body, for which \$7200 was appropriated in the budget of the Public Works Department. The additional appropriation is to be added to a transfer approved by the Board of Finance, to make the additional \$1,100 needed for the truck. Your Committee recommends approval of this appropriation.

(7) The appropriation of \$2,268 for a new car for the City Fire Department. Your Committee has invited Chief Veit of the Fire Department to be present tonight, as we were instructed by the meeting of this Board on October 7th.

(8) Resolution of Representative Walter Seeley of the 6th District favoring payments to City employees who enter the Armed services of the country. Your Committee needs to know more about the possible cost of this procedure before it can make any recommendation. It therefore suggests that this resolution be referred to the Personnel Director for information and a recommendation.

(9) The status of former Deputy Commissioner of Public Works Philip Maffei was referred to your Committee for a report. Since the decision on Mr. Maffei's status and pay is now before the Courts for decision, your Committee believes that it would be improper for this Board to take action at this time.

(10) Your Committee recommends that the report of the auditors and the resolutions of the Board of Finance concerning the disposal of unexpended balances of appropriations, on pages 23 and 24 of the minutes of the Board of Finance for October 25 be included in this report and sent to the members of the Board of Representatives with the minutes of this meeting.

The City has no outstanding short term debt as of November 1, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael E. Laurenco
Patrick Hogan
Hunt Sutherland
John L. Cameron
Louise T. Seeley

Fiscal Committee Report (continued)

The Board UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the invoice of Hadfield, Rothwell, Soule and Coates dated August 9, 1950, for the reconciliation of the payroll bank account of the City of Stamford for the period as of June 30, 1949 to and including April 30, 1950, in the amount of \$1,430 be approved, such expenditure was authorized up to \$1,200.00 at the meeting of March 24, 1950, and the additional charge of \$230.00 was satisfactorily explained to the Board by representatives of Hadfield, Rothwell, Soule & Coates.

Mr. Harmon told the Board that the auditors were authorized originally to proceed on the reconciliation for an amount established at \$300.00. They were later authorized to complete the reconciliation for an amount not to exceed \$1,200.00, with the understanding that if that amount was not sufficient, they would request additional funds from the Board of Finance before continuing. The misunderstanding, Mr. Harmon said, was that the auditors assumed the \$300.00 was in addition to the \$1,200 later authorized. He noted that the reconciliation extended two additional months beyond the point which was originally discussed, and the records were completed to April 30, 1950, which put the office to a clean start.

The Board then discussed with Mr. Harmon and Mr. Hartlett, representatives of the auditing firm, the letter from Hadfield, Rothwell, Soule and Coates dated October 16, 1950, regarding the condition of certain accounts. Attention was called to Section 618 of the City Charter which provides that unexpended balances in any group of appropriations not necessary to meet liabilities already incurred with respect to such group, shall cease to be available for the purpose for which it was appropriated. Several items were affected in that the appropriations had not been returned to the general fund, but the Commissioner of Finance had been requested to continue them in force until such time as the liability was incurred. The auditors felt a policy should be established by the Board of Finance, as authorized in Section 655, as to the action which should be taken in this respect.

ON MOTION of Mr. Randall the following resolution was VOTED:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE that effective June 20, 1950, all monies not expended in any group of appropriations not necessary to meet liabilities already incurred with respect to such appropriation at the end of any fiscal year; and all monies held at the end of any fiscal year which may have been received by the City of Stamford through insurance or otherwise, shall be transferred to the general fund at the close of each fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of Section 618 of the Charter of the City of Stamford. Amounts so transferred which may be necessary to the proper administration of the government should be requested by the proper authority as an emergency appropriation as prescribed by the Charter.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY THE FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT.

The following is a breakdown of some of the accounts, outlined in the

auditors letter of October 16, 1950, affected by the resolution:

General Government

Mayor's Office:	
Printing annual report.....	\$ 1,500.00
Department of Law:	
Special professional and other services.....	4,545.00
Settlement of non-contract claims.....	3,816.00
Board of Finance:	
Outside professional fees.....	9,000.00
Planning Commission:	
Outside professional services.....	7,000.00

Protection to Persons and Property:

Police Department (City tax area)	
Salaries.....	2,500.00

Public Works

Assistant Commissioner of Public Works:	
Salaries.....	4,600.00
Bureau of Engineering:	
Servicing instruments.....	100.98

Capital Expenditures:

New Parking Meters.....	4,000.00
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Specific Purpose Reserve:

Building barn at Sunset Home.....	5,741.89
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Protection to Persons and Property:

Police Department:	
F.B.I. School of Instruction.....	850.00

Welfare and Hospitals:

Survey, Sunset.....	4,951.58
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