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The regular meeting of the Board of Representatives was called to order at the Burdick Junior High School on Monday, March 12, 1951, by the President, Samuel Pierson, at 8:15 P.M.

Roll Call was taken with 34 present and 6 absent, with two excused.

President Samuel Pierson gave the invocation.

Samuel Pierson stated that since so many members of the public in the auditorium were interested in the Agenda item concerning classified service and standard wage rates, called on Mrs. Seeley, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, to give her report.

Louise Seeley stated that because time was not sufficient for complete analysis by the full committee and because it involved commitments primarily affecting the incoming administration, the committee recommends no action at this time, though preliminary plan shows such sound analysis and thorough preparation, that the committee favors a recommendation that the plan be used as a basis for salary items in the Mayor's proposed operating budget for 1951-52. The Committee recommended that members of the new Board should study the Personnell Commission's report and then act on it.

John Cameron, 20th District, MOVED that further discussion on this matter be deferred until Mr. Weathers can be heard.

James Mulreed, 4th District, offered an amendment that we defer action until the incoming Board meets.

Mr. Cameron's motion to defer action until Mr. Weathers could be heard was seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District, and CARRIED.

Samuel Pierson, President, asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of January 23, 1951.

John Cameron, 20th District, stated that on Page 357, section 401 the line "on three separate occasions" should be deleted.

Robert Shepherd, 9th District, MOVED we accept the correction of "on three separate occasions", seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District.

James Mulreed, 4th District, requested that Mr. Shepherd re-phrase his motion that we approve of a change in the minutes.

Robert Shepherd, 9th District, MOVED that the minutes be changed on Page 357 to delete "on three separate occasions", seconded by James Mulreed, 4th District, and CARRIED.

PETITIONS

1. Petition #99

The Boy Scouts of America requesting permission to hold their Spring Camporee at Woodside Park on June 8th, 9th, and 10th.

Helen Bromley, 20th District, MOVED permission be granted, subject to getting in touch with the Board of Recreation and clearing with them the use of the park, seconded by Robert Shepherd, and CARRIED.

John Cameron, 20th District, MOVED that a petition from the Rehabilitation Center to hold Tap Days, March 16th and 17th, be placed on the Agenda, seconded by Michael Wofsey, 1st District, and CARRIED.

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Hartford resolution re tax act, (copies of which were sent to all members) Patrick Hogan, 10th District, MOVED that we take no action on this matter, seconded by Louise Seeley, 1st District, and CARRIED.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES1. Fiscal Committee

a. Emergency appropriation of \$3,147.64 for cost of building Camp Avenue Bridge.

Louise Seeley, Chairman of the Fiscal Committee, stated that the Fiscal Committee recommends approval and so MOVED, seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

b. Emergency appropriation of \$1,175.00 for Civil Defense. Louise Seeley stated that the Fiscal Committee recommends approval of this and so MOVED, seconded by Clifford Waterbury, 4th District.

James Mulreed, 4th District, questioned the incomplete estimate of the needs, in this request, and MOVED that we hear from Mr. Middleton, Director of Civilian Defense, seconded by Clifford Waterbury, and CARRIED.

Mr. Ellis Middleton, Director of Civil Defense, explained that this \$1,175 was to carry through until the 1st of July, and that they had already submitted their budget for 1951-52 which is for \$244,000. in all departments of Civil Defense. Mr. Middleton said that an executive meeting was to be held with the Board of Finance, The Fiscal Committee, Chief of Police and Fire Chief to discuss a request of \$52,072 for equipment, etc.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that the emergency of \$1,175.00 for Civilian Defense be granted, seconded by Clifford Waterbury, 4th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

c. Emergency appropriations of \$1,500 for Record Books, and \$1,500.00 for Vital Statistics for Town Clerk's Office.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, stated that the Fiscal Committee recommend approval of this item, and so MOVED, seconded by Clifford Waterbury, 4th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

d. Emergency appropriation of \$2,060.00 for photographing and binding maps in the Town Clerk's Office.

Louise Seeley, stated that the Fiscal Committee recommend approval of this item, and so MOVED, seconded by Helen Peatt, 16th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

e. Letter from Personnel Director re Connecticut Municipal Employees Retirement Fund.

Louise Seeley, stated that the Fiscal Committee was not prepared to make a report on this item.

James Mulreed, 4th District, MOVED that the members of the Board Have made available to them the plan as proposed by Mr. Weathers, Personnel Director, as well as a copy of the act before the General Assembly prepared by the Municipal Employees Association of Stamford, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District, and CARRIED.

f. Report on the classified service and standard wage rate.

Babette Ransohoff, 15th District, MOVED we hear from Mr. Weathers, seconded by Helen Peatt, 16th District, and CARRIED.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED we hear from Mr. Thorpe, President of the Classified Municipal Employees Association, seconded by John Canavan, 11th District, and CARRIED.

John Cameron, 20th District, MOVED that we defer action on the wage and salary rate until the next regular meeting, seconded by Stearns Woodman, 7th District, and CARRIED.

Samuel Pierson, President, suggested that Mr. Thorpe and Mr. Weathers attend the next meeting to answer questions.

The President called for the motion.

Samuel Pierson, President, asked permission to be excused from the meeting. Permission was granted, and John Cameron MOVED that Michael Wofsey, 1st District, be appointed as temporary chairman, seconded by Leonard DeVita, 5th District, and CARRIED.

g. Louise Seeley, reporting for the Fiscal Committee, brought up the appropriation for Sewer Bonds which was not on the Agenda. The Bank of Boston recommends that this money be included in the 1951-52 capital budget and she moved that this Board recommend that the Planning Board request the entire amount of \$1,750,054.00, seconded by Patrick Hogan, 10th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

h. Emergency appropriation of \$1,704.32 for gasoline and oil for the Public Works Department.

This item was not on the Agenda, but was pending action by the Fiscal Committee since a previous meeting.

Louise Seeley stated that the Fiscal Committee recommends deferral of this request until the department has a more accurate method of determining the cost.

James Mulreed, 4th District, stated that he agreed that this method of presenting the cost was not an accurate one and that he realized that the owners of the cars who have been using their cars have been at an expense to themselves and that he knew that the Board would not want them to stand this expense.

James Mulreed, 4th District, MOVED that we approve this recommendation of the Board of Finance of \$1,704.32, seconded by Patrick Scarella, 3rd District.

James Mulreed, 4th District, stated it would not be fair to postpone this again and that we should approve of this, and so MOVED.

John Cameron, 20th District, MOVED to amend Mr. Mulreed's motion so that we appropriate \$1,200.00 for this, seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District.

John M. Canavan, 11th District, MOVED that the Board continue consideration until the next meeting, seconded by Robert Shepherd, 9th District.

Michael Wofsey, acting chairman, ruled the motion in order, according to
* in rules of procedure,

The motion was CARRIED.

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Planning and Zoninga. Acceptance of Maltbie Avenue

Joseph Zdanowicz, reporting for the Planning & Zoning Committee, stated that an area was overlooked on the map concerning Maltbie Avenue and recommended that this item be deferred.

b. Acceptance of Greenfield Road

Joseph Zdanowicz stated that this matter is under study by the Committee.

c. Joseph Zdanowicz read the recommended procedure for acceptance of streets, as developed by his Committee in cooperation with the Planning Board (copies of which were sent to members of the Board).

James Mulreed MOVED, seconded by Helen Peatt, that the procedure be amended to read that no road is to be accepted between October 15 and April 15 unless the City Engineer certifies that the weather conditions are suitable. CARRIED.

The recommended procedure for acceptance of streets was adopted as follows:

1. Petition for acceptance of streets to be directed to the Board of Representatives by the petitioners.
2. Copy of petition be sent simultaneously to the City Engineer, Planning Board, and the Planning and Zoning Committee.
3. City Engineer's recommendation be sent simultaneously to the Planning Board and the Planning and Zoning Committee.
4. Recommendation of the Planning Board and the Planning & Zoning Committee to the Board of Representatives.
5. Final action by the Board of Representatives with information copy to the Planning Board, and the City Engineer.
6. No roads shall be accepted between October 15 and April 15 of each year unless City Engineer certifies that weather conditions warrant.

The recommendation for the emergency appropriation to the Police Department for supplies was not on the Agenda.

Helen Bromley, 20th District, MOVED that the emergency appropriation for the Police Dept. be placed on the Agenda, seconded by George Lockwood, 14th District, and CARRIED.

The Board of Finance recommended approval to the Board of Representatives the emergency appropriation of \$700.00 for Code 430.6, Flashlights, Inhalators, Ammunition, Photographic Supplies, etc., and the emergency appropriation of \$1,500.00 for Code 430.12B, Traffic Lights and Timers.

George Lockwood, 14th District, MOVED that the \$700. item be approved, seconded by Patrick Hogan, 10th District.

James Mulreed, 4th District, stated for the record that we are again forced to act on an emergency appropriation of items which were in the Mayor's budget and cut by the Board of Finance.

Michael Wofsey, acting chairman, called for a rising vote for those in favor

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of approving of the \$700.00 for Code 430.6, Flashlights, Inhalators, Ammunition, Photographic Supplies, etc. The motion was CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Louise Seeley, 1st District, MOVED that we approve the second item of \$1,500. for Code 430.12B, Traffic Lights and Timers, seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Legislative and Rules

Michael Wofsey, chairman, read Ordinance ^{7 Supplement} (Building Code)

BE IT ORDAINED BY STAMFORD THAT:

Section 1. The Building Code, Appendices and Amendments thereto for the City of Stamford are hereby ordained as a Building Code, and the same are hereby adopted as the Building Code of the City of Stamford.

Section 2. That all of the provisions of the Building Code, Appendices and amendments thereto hereby adopted as the Building Code of the City of Stamford shall be in full force and effect on and after the 1st day of April, 1951, and all building code regulations of the former Town and City of Stamford and of consolidated City of Stamford in force on February 13, 1951 and not contained in the said Building Code, Appendices and Amendments are hereby repealed from and after the 1st day of April, 1951, except as hereinafter provided.

Section 3. That the repeal provided for in the preceding section of this ordinance shall not effect any offense or act committed or done or any penalty incurred before the 1st day of April, 1951, nor shall it affect any prosecution, suit or other proceeding pending or any judgment rendered on or prior to the 1st day of April, 1951.

Mr. Wofsey stated that the Legislative & Rules Committee had received some suggested changes from a representative of the Connecticut Power Company, Stamford Division. The changes were as follows:

Section 1500 - 1 (b) -Strike out "1947" and substitute "1950".

Leon Staples, 7th District, MOVED the acceptance, seconded by Robert Shepherd, 9th District, and CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Section 1701 - 1 (b) Strike out "No. 54 - 1943" and substitute "No. 54 - 1950"; Strike out "No. 51 - 1942" and substitute "No. 51 - 1947"; strike out "No. 58 - 1947" and substitute "No. 58 - 1951".

Robert Shepherd, 9th District, MOVED these changes be accepted, seconded by Leon Staples, 7th District, and CARRIED.

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#6
Michael Wofsey, acting chairman, called for a separate vote according to districts 1-14, 15-20, for the adoption of the Stamford Building Code (ordinance #6. Nine representatives were present from the 15-20 districts, and the vote was: 5 in favor, 1 opposed. The vote in districts 1-14 was unanimous (14 in favor, none opposed).

John Cameron, 20th District, MOVED that the Legislative and Rules Committee be empowered to order as many copies of the new code as they feel they need, to be printed and rebound for sale, seconded, and CARRIED.

Hilda Clarke, 17th District, MOVED that the Building Code be sold for \$2.00 a copy, seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District, and CARRIED.

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Charter Revision

John Cameron, reporting for the Charter Revision Committee, reported that the Committee was able to get bills in before the deadline covering everything that the Board had discussed for action. He pointed out that some bills before the Legislature are contrary to the wishes of our Board.

James Mulreed, 4th District, MOVED that 40 copies of each of the bills pertaining to Stamford be secured from Hartford, seconded by Helen Bromley, 20th District, CARRIED. These are to be available to Board members in the office in the Town Hall.

Helen Bromley, 20th District, MOVED that the President appoint a committee of 5 to appear on Stamford Day on those bills which are contrary to the bills recommended by our Board, seconded by Robert Shepherd, and CARRIED.

Babette Ransohoff, 15th District, MOVED that April 9 be selected as our next regular meeting instead of April 2 and that the Steering Committee meeting be held on April 4, 1951, seconded by Robert Shepherd, 9th District, and CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 A. M.

Respectfully submitted,
Babette Ransohoff, Clerk