

A Special Meeting of the Board of Representatives, Stamford, Connecticut was held on Thursday, May 12, 1955, at the Cafeteria of the Walter R. Dolan Jr. High School, Toms Road, pursuant to a call issued by George V. Connors, President. The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by the president.

Mr. G. Connors read the call, as follows:

"I, George V. Connors, President of the Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford, pursuant to Section 202 of the Charter, hereby call a SPECIAL MEETING of the members of the Board of Representatives, for the purpose of considering and acting upon the OPERATING and CAPITAL BUDGETS for the City of Stamford's fiscal year 1955-1956, on THURSDAY, May 12, 1955, at 8 p.m. at the Walter Dolan High School Cafeteria, Toms Road, Stamford, Connecticut.

I hereby order a copy of this call to be served upon each member of said Board, by an officer of the Stamford Police Department, by leaving a copy of this call at the usual place of abode, at least twenty-four (24) hours before the time fixed for such meeting."

Stamford, Connecticut  
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State of Connecticut )  
County of Fairfield ) ss

Personally appeared Frank Loglisci, Thomas A. De George and Walter C. Seely, regular members of the Police Department of the City of Stamford, who, being duly sworn, depose and state that they made service of the attached call of a SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Representatives, on May 11, 1955, in the manner prescribed in said call.

Frank Loglisci  
Thomas A. De George  
Walter C. Seely

Subscribed and sworn to this 11th day of May, 1955, before me.

John M. Hanrahan  
Commissioner of the Superior Court

The clerk being absent, Mr. Connors called for nominations for a clerk pro tem. Mr. Steve Kelly nominated Mrs. Helen Bromley. Seconded by Mr. Mulreed. No further nominations being offered, the vote was unanimous for Mrs. Bromley to serve as clerk for the evening.

Mrs. Bromley called the roll. There were 22 present, 18 absent; but during the evening other members arrived, with a final attendance of 30 members present, 10 absent. The absent members were Joseph Caputo, Vincent J. Vitti, Martin H. Cash, Sr., Frank LiVolsi, Robert Lewis, Phil C. Coulter, Edward G. Ryba, Thomas M. Killeen, Alphonse C. Jachimczyk and George E. Russell.

Mr. Mulreed, speaking on a matter unrelated to the call, stated that the Planning and Zoning Committee has had to have copies made of the transcript of the hearing they are asked to act upon, and an invoice for this work will be presented to the Board at a later date. If the Board does not honor same, the members of the committee have offered to pay this expense among themselves.

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Before any discussion on the budgets, Mr. Huyzinga addressed the members first apologizing for not being able to attend any of their meetings due to absence from the City. He said it was our duty to try to keep the tax rate from being raised, and at the same time give proper service to the taxpayers. He further stated that, in his opinion, if we accepted the new budget as presented to us, it would mean a tax rate increase of about three-tenths of a mill, probably in the 1st District, and to overcome that we would need to decrease the budget by \$86,000. He suggested we write that figure on a blackboard which was brought into the room, and then to work in that manner.

Mr. Mulreed said such a procedure was rather unusual, that our problem was not to maintain a tax rate but rather to provide for Stamford it's needs -- whether or not we maintain the present tax rate in so doing, or reduce the rate, is beside the point.

Mr. Rhoades spoke: It is now agreed by almost everyone in Hartford that more than \$300,000 in additional State Aid for Education is coming to Stamford this year. Unfortunately, in the opinion of many leading citizens, not one nickel of that money will be spent for education because of a time factor. If we set the tax rate after tonight's meeting, the Legislature is unable to act for a couple of weeks, and the governor's signature has to go on the bill. So that money, according to some authorities, will have to go into the General Fund but it will have a decided effect on the tax rate necessary to maintain the services that we want in Stamford. The members of the Board of Finance considered that matter, and he felt there was no need to raise the tax rate in any district if we could consider the \$300,000 as coming here -- but, then, the governor may veto it.

Mr. Iacovo: When we met with the Board of Finance, we asked them to cut where they should cut. I feel that we, as a Board, should do what is best in our opinion. He felt if we placed a figure on a blackboard each one would begin shooting at that as a target.

#### FISCAL COMMITTEE

Mr. Sam Picciallo, Chairman, submitted the Fiscal Committee Report recommending various changes to the Capital and Operating Budgets for 1955-1956. Copy of said report is being attached to these minutes, for reference.

Mr. Picciallo said his committee approved, in the Capital Budget, the full amount of \$525,000 for the Public Works Dept. Sanitary Sewers. Mr. Mulreed inquired about item #7, Roxbury School Relief. He wanted to know if the Fiscal Committee accepted the recommendation of the Board of Finance or if they have on their own volition scrutinized each item themselves. He asked what was entailed in Item #7. Mrs. Bromley replied that they did as thorough a job as they ever did; that last night, when they met, they thought they had two meetings to finish the work, but find there was not time to go into certain things thoroughly. Mr. Mulreed said he considered this a frank statement.

Mr. Picciallo moved that the total of \$525,000 be approved for the Public Works Dept. sanitary sewers. Seconded by Mr. Fortunato, voted upon, with all present at the time, 22, in favor. Declared unanimously carried.

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Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of \$188,000 for the Public Works Storm Drains budget.

Mr. Huyzinga spoke, wondering whether it would be a good idea to reduce items on 2, 3, 5 and 8 since they were all "long-planning" projects. He said if we reduced these four items by 20% that would enable us to give the people assurance that we will do something to relieve flood conditions, and at the same time try to reduce our tax rate.

Mr. Rhoades expressed opposition to reducing any of these four items, and Mr. Mulreed again asked about the thinking of the Fiscal Committee on these matters.

Mrs. Peatt said that Springdale and Glenbrook has been waiting a long time to get some relief from the drainage system.

Mr. Topping spoke at length to the effect that several projects for which money was appropriated last year, are still only "on paper" and the year is almost over. The North Glenbrook job is only about half finished with about \$51,000 balance; some engineering work has been done but no ground broken.

On Woodside Park he felt we should wait until the new Technical School is built. On the Magee Ave. we have \$15,000 that has not been spent, and \$30,000 for the South End flood-correction job. He knew a valve was needed, but suggested that we transfer funds.

Mrs. Bromley said her Committee recommended that the \$100,000 allotted for the Broad Street Extension should be used to establish new building lines on Broad St. It was stated that capital projects money cannot be transferred.

Mr. Mulreed apologized if he confused Mrs. Bromley, but the discussion was on storm drains, and he commented that Mr. Topping's remarks were very enlightening.

Mr. Frank Longo expressed surprise that Mr. Topping should mention cutting these appropriations, as nothing to that effect was said when the Committee met.

Mr. Plotkin moved that we ask for information from Mr. Chase, who was present. Seconded by Mr. Longo. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Chase went into detail, stating that work on all these jobs is being done. One for \$83,000 is being put out to bid next week, to be under construction in two weeks. This is at Bennett & Fahey Streets.

At North Glenbrook, Union Street is now being done, and the balance of the money will go into a box culvert to relieve Scofield Ave. The money we have won't even complete this job.

Magee Avenue is to get a relief line to replace a line that has collapsed. It will be picked up and run past the present City Garage into the Canal. If we run it half way it will not work.

Mr. Mulreed asked Mr. Chase: "In your estimation, would it handicap the work of your department if we were to cut these appropriations 20%?" Mr. Chase said "yes."



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Mrs. Huben, to Mr. Chase: "In view of the fact that we will have a new school in Woodside Park, would not there be much damage done by heavy trucking?" Mr. Chase said, "Where this proposed drain goes it will not conflict with anything on the south end. The drain is on the north end."

Mr. Fredericks seconded the motion made at the beginning of this discussion. It was voted on, 27 for, 1 opposed. (Mr. Huyzinga)

Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of \$166,000 for Public Works Dept., Highways. Seconded by Mr. Longo.

Mr. Collyer inquired about the Broad St. Extension plans, and Mrs. Hoyt asked if we should not wait on that until we find out what the Thru-way does to the traffic. Mr. Longo said the Thru-way will not interfere or have anything to do with it.

Mr. Collyer expressed concern about securing building lines and unless we do something in this budget we are going to be licked, the same as on Summer and Bell Streets. He said this sum might be used for purchase of the Children's Center property.

Mr. Mulreed said this money will be applied to shape and widen Broad Street beginning with Atlantic Street.

The motion was voted upon, 28 votes cast, declared unanimously in favor.

Mr. Picciallo referred to the proposed budget for Public Works Dept. Parks, and asked for the elimination of \$5,000 from item #4, Woodside Park, to eliminate the parking area planned. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. Voted on, result 28 votes in favor.

Mr. Picciallo then moved that we appropriate \$86,700 for Public Works Dept. Parks. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. Voted upon, result unanimously in favor, 28 votes cast.

Mr. Picciallo moved for the approval of \$165,000 for Board of Public Safety, Police Department. Seconded by Mr. Steve Kelly.

Mr. Mulreed asked for information about the traffic light system, saying that Chief Kinsella had spoken of traffic lights from the westerly boundary of Main St. to St. John's Park and the explanation on page 12 does not cover that area. Mr. Milano and Mr. Picciallo had discussed this subject with the chief, so he asked, what is this \$75,000 to be used for.

Mrs. Huben replied that the Thru-way will have four exits and the Stamford traffic lights will have to be re-cabled and synchronized. Mr. Mulreed was still not satisfied with the explanation. Mr. Picciallo read a letter, dated April 25, which he received from the Chief, and further said that Mr. Caputo was supposed to have a report and explanation.

Mr. Irving Snyder said, since there is some uncertainty, why not attempt to contact Chief Kinsella and return to this item later. Seconded by Mrs. Windsor. Voted upon, in the affirmative, unanimously.

Mr. Picciallo moved that the total of \$795,000 be approved for the Board of Education. Seconded by Mr. Topping.



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There was lengthy discussion on this subject. Mr. Fredericks asked if the \$382,000 received from the insurance company (Burdick School fire) would not reduce the \$755,000 item. Mrs. Kaminsky said no, as we have already supported this appropriation. Mr. Neuwien, being present, was asked to explain this, which he did: that \$382,000 is available, and \$373,000 will be the bond issue amount. Mr. Collyer asked which figure would be used in determining the tax rate.

Finally the motion was put to vote. Result 29 in favor, declared unanimous.

Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of \$30,000 for the Hubbard Heights Golf Commission. Seconded by Mrs. Bromley.

Mr. Huyzinga spoke on the item of \$14,600 for painting, repair and equipment: "Last year they asked for \$25,400 for re-modelling the building; now they find out they are short, for painting, repair and equipment which I believe is an item for the Operating Budget." He moved that we eliminate this \$14,600.

Mr. Iacovo disagreed with Mr. Huyzinga. He stated that Hubbard Heights was one of the few municipal operations that pays its own way, that any moneys appropriated will be returned at the end of the year.

Mr. Topping said it only pays its own operating expenses -- not its capital cost, this the taxpayers have to pay.

Mr. Fredericks asked if the committee had any breakdown on this item to which Mr. Picciallo replied that Mr. Killeen had looked into it and said the new and old buildings are to be made into one building.

Mr. Fredericks accepted the fact that the whole \$14,600 was for capital repairs, to which Mr. Mulreed agreed.

The original motion to eliminate the \$14,600 was not seconded.

Mr. Fredericks then made a motion to approve \$30,000 as the Hubbard Heights Golf Commission budget. Seconded by Mr. Iacovo. Voted on, 25 in favor, 4 opposed.

Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of \$15,000 for Court House Plans. Seconded by Mrs. Helen Peatt. Voted upon, unanimously carried (29 voting)

Chief Kinsella having arrived, Mr. Plotkin moved that we hear from him on the Traffic Light situation. Seconded by Mr. Murphy. Carried unanimously.

Chief Kinsella said: "The original letter of transmittal in the preparation of the budget stated that it would run from W. Main St. and West Ave. to South Street and From South St. to E. Main St, Noroton Hill. Apparently in the mimeographing that part was omitted. The intent and purpose is to cover the entire Main Street."

Mr. Mulreed: "All we seek is a clarification as to what this money is to be expended for. All we want to know now is if we approve of the \$75,000 will that money be utilized to provide traffic lights in line with your original recommendation, from West Main St. east?"

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Chief Kinsella: "\$100,000 is the cost of 20 signals -- approximately \$5,000 each. With the construction of the Thru-way they may or may not reach out into the adjacent areas on either side of the Thru-way and put signals in. Thus the Thru-way system will be modern and ours will be obsolete. We asked for \$100,000 on the basis of a three year's program." The Chief asked the Board to grant it and see what can be done with it.

Mr. Huyzinga spoke of the \$90,000 for equipping the new police building. He said the contract for building designates it must be completed in nine months, and did the chief think the building would be started before the end of the year. The Chief said he could not answer that question because the bids were opened yesterday and the lowest bid was higher than the amount appropriated.

Mr. Huyzinga then asked if it would be possible to defer a portion of that \$90,000 to the next fiscal year, without hampering the department. The Chief said that amount covered radio and equipment of the building, and did not think it would be advisable to chop that back.

Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of the total of \$165,000. Seconded by Mr. Milano. Voted upon, unanimous approval, 29 voting.

Mr. Picciallo moved for the approval of the grand total of capital projects, on pg. one, \$1,970,700. Seconded by Mrs. Bromley. Put to a vote, carried unanimously.

The Board then proceeded to take up the OPERATING BUDGET for 1955-1956, as follows:

Page	Item	Motion By	Seconded	Vote
3	Registrar of Voters	\$34,356.28 S. Picciallo	Mrs. Peatt	Unanimous
	Board of Selectmen	1,100.00 "	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Board of Representatives	4,350.00 "	Mrs. Zuckert	"
5	Mayor's Office	23,475.00 "	Mr. Longo	"
	Department of Law	28,630.00 "	Mr. Kelly	"
7	Town & City Clerk	50,780.00 "	Mr. Kelly	"
	Commissioner of Finance	13,472.50 "	Mr. Milano	"
9	Bureau of Accts. & Records			
	Mr. Picciallo moved that 482.5 Telephone be reduced to \$400, same as last year, that we delete \$50 from this account. Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. Voted on unanimously S. Picciallo			
			Mr. Cook	Unanimous
9	Bureau of Purchases		Mr. Kelly	"
	(Mr. Collyer asked if consideration was given so that this amount could be reduced because of a bill before the legislature, relieving the bureau of some of their advertising for sales of surplus property)			
	(Mr. Mulreed said if the bill does not pass the legislature we will have to give more later, that \$400 was a close figure)			
	Voted on	14,295		Unanimous
11	Stamford Museum	46,400.00 S. Picciallo	Mrs. Peatt	"
	Ferguson Library	203,075.00 "	Mr. Longo	"
13	Veterans Service	9,390.00 "	Mrs. Bankowsky	"
	Mimeograph Dept.	9,448.00 "	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Patriotic & Holiday Celebrations.			
	Mr. Picciallo moved that we delete \$520 from Code 486.70, bringing the total to \$1,125. Mr. Kaminsky asked what the deletion was based on. Mr. Picciallo said the committee decided to keep the amount the same as last year. Music bands are being paid \$125 each and they thought this item should be gratis.			

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Mr. Kaminsky disputed this, saying there was a misunderstanding if we thought the bands were paid, that the high school band was offered \$50 and refused to accept it, but the professional bands demanded payment. He further said that he talked with Sam Morrell, the secretary of the Vets. Assn. who said the increase was asked not for the bands but for flags and plants. As a matter of fact he expected to cut out one band this year.

Mr. Huyzinga said last year there were five or six units in the parade and only one unit was professional. If they were unionized bands that is one thing; most of the bands play as a patriotic gesture.

Mr. Kaminski said all but two of the bands are professional. Mrs. Windsor said she objected to extra money for bands, but would not object if the money was used for flags and plants.

Mr. Mulreed asked whether this \$750 might not mean donations for refreshments, not for wages.

Mr. Kaminski moved that on Code 486.70 we grant the full amount \$1,645. Seconded by Mr. Longo.

The vote was 15 yeas, 14 nos, but was declared lost since 21 votes were needed to carry the motion.

Mr. Picciallo moved that we delete \$520 on Code 486.70 bringing the total to \$1,125. Seconded by Mr. Collyer. The vote was unanimous (29 votes)

Mr. Picciallo moved for the approval of \$4,019 on the total budget. Seconded by Mr. Collyer. Voted, unanimous approval.

Page		Amount	Motion By	Seconded	VOTE
15	General Insurance	\$41,699.31	S. Picciallo	Mrs. Zuckert	Unanimous
	Employes Medical & Hosp.	5,000.00	"	Mrs. Peatt	"
	Contributions to F. Cty.	75,000.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Planning Board	20,025.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Bd. of Tax Review	200.00	"	Mr. Plotkin	"
17	Zoning Bd. & B of A	5,850.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Taxation Board	966.52	"	Mrs. Bankowski	"
	Assessor's Office				
	Mr. Picciallo moved that we delete \$100 from Code 571.14 Maintenance & Machine Rental, to keep it the same amount as last year. Seconded by Mrs. Kaminsky, Unanimous vote.				
	Assessor's Office	57,956.42	S. Picciallo	Mrs. Zuckert	"
19	Tax Collector	63,905.00	"	S. Kelly	"
	Reserve for Tax Refunds	3,000.00	"	Mrs. Bromley	"
	Board of Finance	11,450.00	"	Mr. Rhoades	"
21	Pensions, etc.	313,537.43	"	Mrs. Peatt	"
	Civil Service Dept.	14,260.00	"	Mr. Fredericks	"
	Classified Emp. Pension F.	3,440.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"

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23	City Court	36,980.00	Mr. Picciallo	Mr. Rhoades	Unanimous
	Probate Court	5,150.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
25	Sewer Commission	125.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Total, General Government	1,133,915.46	"	Mrs. Bromley	"

Mr. Snyder referred to page 5, Traffic Engineer, \$1800, and suggested it be cut to \$600 a year or \$50 a month. He moved for re-consideration of this item. Mrs. Hoyt seconded it.

Mr. Mulreed pointed out that this money is not earmarked for "Mr. Hurd" (as Mr. Snyder mentioned) and that we certainly need a traffic consultant; if we are not satisfied with Mr. Hurd why should we not appropriate the same amount and find someone else? Mr. Topping thought Mr. Hurd, Chief Kinsella and Capt. Lockwood were trying to do a good job and if we give them time they will come up with something. At present it is experimental. Traffic laws have got to hurt someone. Mr. Kelly felt this subject should not deal with personalities.

Vote was taken on Mr. Snyder's motion. 1 yes, 28 noes.

27.	Debt Service	1,336,500.23	Mr. Picciallo	Mrs. Bromley	Unanimous
33.	Board of Education.				

Mr. Picciallo said his committee felt that \$40,000 could be deleted from this budget without doing any harm. Seconded by Mr. Collyer.

Mr. Fredericks: "I presume the Fiscal Committee just took a reduction across the board. Did they take into account the possibility of an increase of State Funds. Pr. Picciallo said "no."

Mr. Fredericks said the Finance Bd. had already cut the Education Budget by about \$100,000 and he felt that further reduction by our committee was arbitrary.

Mr. Mulreed asked the committee to point out the items which they reduced.

Mr. Rhoades: We have just completed cutting \$600 off a budget totalling more than a million dollars. Now we want to cut the service to school children, an increase of 40% over the cut of \$100,000 which the Finance Board has already done. Pretty rough."

Mr. Collyer: In the past years our fiscal committee recommended cuts in this budget, and attempted to point out a few items where some savings might be effected. Without pointing a finger on any specific items, it is reasonable to think that 8/10 of 1% might be cut from a 5 million dollar budget without effecting the educational standards of our children.



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Mr. Mulreed said: "I am mindful of the tax burden and I am a strong advocate of attempting to cut the tax burden. I am also mindful that the Board can use the total amount appropriated in any way they choose, etc. I cannot go along that the budget is too high and we should just cut it."

Mr. Collyer felt that members of the Board of Education who are also members of the Board of Representatives should be excused from voting on an education budget.

Mr. Kelly said a couple of years ago we straightened out this matter and decided not to eliminate any school teachers from this Board, so he thought we should not ask them to excuse themselves.

Mr. Rhoades reminded Mr. Collyer that nearly ten years ago the Superior Court of Conn. ruled that the legislative body of the City of Stamford does not vote on the salaries of the Board of Education. He offered to debate the subject in private. He further said that the 16th District, whom he represents, has two members on this Board. He is one, and the district is entitled to two votes.

Mr. Mulreed said he was not in favor of a member of the Board of Education disqualifying himself. They are better qualified to comment on the merits of the budget. His daughter is a school teacher, so perhaps he should be disqualified. When we discuss fire departments, we never ask Mr. Cook to disqualify himself.

Mr. Iacovo said he ran for office when school teachers were permitted to join the Bd. of Representatives, and he intends to vote according to his wishes.

Mr. Collyer: "I am sure the City and the Board appreciate the services of these members. The reason for asking the teachers to be excused is not for ethical reasons."

Mrs. Hoyt did not agree with Mr. Collyer. "The real employers are the people who made us representatives. We are not representing a firm or school but the district that elected us. Our employers are the people."

Mrs. Zuckert: Last year when the fiscal committee made recommendations of certain items to be eliminated, we were told that the Board of Education is an autonomous body and we could not make specific cuts because they spend their appropriated money as they see fit.

Mr. Snyder moved the question. Mr. Plotkin moved the larger amount of \$4,916,000. Seconded by Mr. Rhoades. Result of vote, 21 yeas, 3 noes.

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33	Wright Technical School	\$14,682.00	Mr. Picciallo	Mrs. Bankowski	"
	Total Education budget	\$4,930,682.00	"	Mr. Cook	"
35	Welfare Dept. (Mr. Picciallo moved for the deletion of \$680. for a new dictaphone, suggesting it be put in next year's budget)		"	Mr. Cook	"
	Welfare Dept. budget	198,770.50	"	Mr. Collyer	"
37	Hospitals, etc.	90,000.00	"	Mr. Collyer	"
	Sunset Home (Mr. Picciallo moved for the deletion of \$550. under Code 462.22, new equipment suggesting this be held over to next year. No one seconded the motion. Mr. Collyer moved the amount of \$1,050 be left in this account)		Seconded by	Mrs. Kaminski	"
	Sunset Home	54,537.00	Mr. Picciallo	Mr. Collyer	"
	Total Welfare & Institutions	\$343,307.50	"	Mr. Kelly	"
39	Health Dept.	73,030.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
	Dog Warden	3,460.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
43	Police Department	881,452.50	"	Mrs. Kaminski	"
47	Fire Dept.	644,094.00	"	Mrs. Kaminski	"
49	Hydrants & Water Sup.	72,000.00	"	Mr. Murphy	"
	Civil Defense Mr. Picciallo moved for deletion of \$200 from Code 444.3, Stationery & Postage, since the unencumbered balance in this account now is about \$230.		"	Mrs. Bromley	"
	Mr. Picciallo moved for deletion of \$250. from Code 444.4 Advertising & Printing, since there is a balance of about \$140 in their account.		"	Mr. Fortunato	"
	Pr. Picciallo moved for deletion of \$2,000 from Code 444.A, Operational Equipment, since there is a balance of \$8,045 in this account		"	Mrs. Bromley	"
	Mr. Collyer asked if this balance could be carried over to next year. The reply was, no. Mr. Cook said the Civil Defense do not buy the best hose, as was proved at the recent Burdick School fire, when this group helped.				
	Mr. Picciallo moved for deletion of \$500 from 444.B, Personnel Equipment, as there is a balance in this account		"	Mr. Collyer	"
	Mr. Picciallo moved for approval of total for Civil Defense	20,600.	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"



53 Volunteer Fire Depts. 134,575. Mr. Picciallo Mr. Collyer 28 in favor (Mr. Cook not voting)  
 Mr. Picciallo moved for the approval of \$1,829,211.50 as the total for "Protection to Persons and Property." Seconded by Mrs. Zuckert. Carried unanimously.

(Mrs. Bankowski asked to be excused, so there were 28 voting members present, plus the president, who has not been voting)

Mr. Mulreed expressed dissatisfaction at the lengthy meeting and thought it ought to be adjourned, but no one agreed.

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55	Public Works, Admin. \$29,393.00	Mr. Picciallo	Mr. Topping	Unanimous
55	Bur. of Weights & Meas. 3,500.00	"	Mr. Milano	"
57	Highways, Maintenance 353,886.00	"	Mr. Murphy	"
	Yard #2 19,600.00	"	Mr. Topping	"
59	Crosby St. Pump. Sta. 3,000.00	"	Mrs. Kaminski	"
	Yard #1 52,475.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
	Street Cleaning 81,390.00	"	Mr. Topping	"
	Street Lighting 165,000.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
61	Bur. of Parks 96,122.00	"	Mr. Topping	"
	Div. of Trees 28,387.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
63	Main. Sanitary Sewers 17,185.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
	Incinerator, etc. 236,333.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	"
65	Pumping Stations 2,3,4 12,340.00	"	Mr. Rhoades	"
	Garbage Collection 263,214.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"
67	Engineering 144,030.00	"	Mrs. Windsor	"
69	Building Bureau 27,160.00	"	Mr. Collyer	"

City Hall Maintenance

Mr. Picciallo moved deletion of \$1,000 from 416.A.18 since we have spent a good deal of money on alterations and miscellaneous for City Hall in the past few years and this deletion would not hamper the account.

Mr. Kelly said there were still violations in the building that need correction, and Mr. Topping agreed.

Mr. Longo moved that we hear from Mr. Scarella on this. Seconded and adopted.

Mr. Scarella said we need the full \$7,000 originally asked for. Have to build a fire wall and revamp the meter board, which was only partially done last year.

Mrs. Kaminski moved for the larger amount of \$5,000 for this account. Seconded by Mr. Longo. Voted on, 22 for, 6 against. Carried

City Hall Maintenance	36,182.00	Mr. Picciallo	Mr. Kelly	25 yes, 3 no.
Consolidated Oil, etc.	36,460.00	"	Mrs. Zuckert	Unanimous
Total Public Works	\$1,605,657.00	"	Mr. Kelly	"

Mr. Collyer called for re-consideration of Code 416.3 Building Bureau Office Supplies. Seconded, and vote taken, 5 yes, 18 no. Declared lost.

- 71 Bd. of Recreation \$115,954.00 Mr. Picciallo Mrs. Kaminski Mous  
 (Mr. Collyer questioned the item "General  
 Maintenance & Repairs, \$1500. (Said the Bd.  
 installed gas for heating and has electricity  
 so that \$40 a month should be sufficient for  
 heat and light. No action taken)
- 73 Hubbard Heights Golf C.  
 (Mr. Picciallo moved for deletion of salary  
 for one starter, \$1404, feeling that they do  
 not need two starters, as requested.) Mrs. Bromley "  
 Hubbard Heights G.C. 38,223.40 salaries" Mrs. Bromley "
- Hubbard Heights 413A.17  
 Gas & Oil. Mr. Picciallo moved  
 for deletion of \$500 from this code,  
 because the new building will not be  
 ready until November or December and  
 they will not need heat. Mrs. Bromley "  
 Hubbard Heights, " \$49,885.40 " Mrs. Bromley "  
 Total Recreation Budget " \$165,839.40 " Mr. Kelly "
- 73 Others " 219,000.00 Mr. Picciallo asked for  
 approval of this amount.  
 Mr. Huyzinga spoke on the item of Self-Insurance  
 \$10,000 saying this means there will be \$30,000  
 in a "Kitty" as a reserve for Workmen's Compensation  
 Claims, and moved that we delete this item and at  
 the proper time set up definite machinery for a  
 fund for Workmen's Compensation.  
 Mrs. Bromley stated that Mr. Morrissey was anxious  
 to get a bill in the Legislature that would take  
 care of this item automatically.  
 Mr. Plotkin felt we should not appropriate this \$10,000  
 but get a report from the Insurance Board to see if it  
 pays.  
 Mr. Huyzinga said when the Legislature had this there was  
 considerable discussion, no decision reached as to whether  
 or not of this \$30,000 we had, the City had any right to  
 allocate it as they saw fit.  
 Moved for appropriation of \$209,000.00 Mr. Topping "
- Mrs. Bromley spoke on the Estimated Revenues (page 77) Cove Island.  
 \$2,400 is shown, whereas the rentals coming in now are nearer \$12,800.  
 Mr. Mulreed felt that this matter is being given consideration by  
 other boards. It was brought to his attention that this anticipated  
 revenue, based on experiences is but a figure taken out of the air.

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Mrs. Bromley moved that we accept the following resolution:

Resolution #198, Adoption of the Operating and Capital Budgets from July 1, 1955 to June 30, 1956.

WHEREAS, the Board of Finance has transmitted to the Board of Representatives its recommended budget for the City of Stamford for the ensuing fiscal year commencing July 1, 1955 and ending June 30, 1956 for final action thereon by the Board of Representatives:

BE IT RESOLVED BY STAMFORD that the itemized estimate of receipt and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year 1955-1956 in the budgets as submitted by the Mayor and as acted upon by the Board of Finance and as finally acted upon and considered by the Board of Representatives in the amount of

\$11,554,113.09 Operating Budget

1,970,700.00 Capital Budget

and is hereby accepted, adopted and approved and specific appropriations are hereby made for each of the several items in the amounts appearing in the columns of the budgets under the heading of "Board of Representatives" recording the approval or other action of this Board.

Mr. Mulreed said it should be understood that the total sum approved by this Board is the total sum of the various departmental appropriations approved by this Board, \$13,524,813.09.

Mrs. Bromley's motion was seconded by Mrs. Zuckert, put to a vote and carried unanimously.

Mr. Picciallo stated that rent for offices out of City-owned buildings total \$25,000 a year and we should think about using the Elm St. School instead.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the Fiscal Committee for their work on the budget.

It was moved to adjourn at 12:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George V. Connors,  
President