

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1997
24TH BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES
STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT**

The meeting was called to order at 9:25 P.M. by President Carmen Domonkos.

INVOCATION: Led by Rep. Kuzlik.

Lord, again, we ask you to give us the strength and courage as we make our decisions and deliberate on our issues this evening so that we may do for our constituencies, our city, and our peoples as we see fit. Amen.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Carmen Domonkos.

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were thirty-eight (38) members present and two (2) absent. Absent and excused was Rep. Nakian; absent was Rep. Davis.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: The machine was in good working order.

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MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late:

Mary Prattas, by Rep. Sabia
Stanley Alexander, Reps. Mellis and Sabia;
Rev. Samuel White, by Reps. DePina, Mitchell, Loglisci and Domonkos;
Renata Poin, by Rep. Loglisci;
Samuel Lione, by Rep. Loglisci;
Theodore Georgoulis, by Rep. Loglisci;
Kathy Lombardo, by Rep. Sabia;
Imre Rozsa, by Reps. Zelinsky and Gergle; and
Josephine M. Passero, Reps. Zelinsky and Gergle.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Carmen Domonkos, Chairwoman
Wednesday, September 10, 1997 - 7:00 p.m.
Democratic Caucus Room

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the Steering Committee Report was waived.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman

Rep. Summerville reported that because there were no appointments scheduled for this month, the Committee did not meet.

FISCAL COMMITTEE: David Martin, Chairman
Meeting: Monday, September 29, 1997
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Rep. Martin reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Monday, September 29, 1997. Present were Committee Members Martin, Owens, Loglisci, Mellis, Weiner, DeLuca, Mitchell, Giordano and Sherer. Rep. Martin stated that the Committee also met on the Public Works item, after the conclusion of the regular meeting.

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| 1. F24.228 | RESOLUTION regarding the 1997/1998 Women's, Infants' and Children's ("WIC") Nutrition Program.
08/10/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/29/97 - Committee voted 9-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. F24.230
O-T-A-18
\$11,000.00
\$10,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Dept. No. 014; Acct. No. 3820-1100; funding requested to pay the costs associated with the retirement of a school nurse in order that a replacement nurse can be hired at the start of the school year.
08/11/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/11/97 - Approved by Board of Finance
09/29/97 - Committee voted 9-0-0 | APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE
(\$10,000.00) |

Secondary Committee: Education

Report Waived

Rep. Martin reported that Item No. 2 involved the retirement of a school nurse, and the appropriation request was to fund the sick time benefits accumulated so that this nurse could be replaced. The Committee reduced this amount by \$1,000.00 because the person coming in is at a slightly lower salary. Rep. Martin moved to reduce the appropriation request to \$10,000.00, which was the Committee's recommendation.

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the Secondary Committee report was waived.

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the \$10,000.00 appropriation was approved.

3. F24.231 O-G-A-16 \$66,091.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Dept. No. 251; Acct. No. 3601; State grant funds to be contracted to CTE to be used to support case management, education, training, job readiness and job search skill training directed at individuals receiving General Assistance. 09/02/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 09/11/97 - Approved by Board of Finance 09/29/97 - Committee voted 9-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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Secondary Committee: Housing, Com. Dev., Social Services

Report waived

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the Secondary Committee report was waived.

4. F24.232 O-G-A-17 \$1,360,704.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Dept. No. 241; Acct. No. 3601; State School Readiness and Child Day Care grant funds to be contracted to the Child Care Center of Stamford to provide school readiness and child care services. 09/02/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 09/11/97 - Approved by Board of Finance 09/29/97 - Committee voted 9-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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Secondary Committee: Education Committee

Report Waived

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the Secondary Committee report was waived.

5. F24.203 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; For Final Adoption;** **APPROVED BY**
concerning Building Permit Fees (eliminating the **MACHINE VOTE**
discount in projects over \$200,000 and setting fees by **(36-2-0)**
resolution rather than by ordinance).
07/25/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/03/97 - Approved for publication
09/29/97 - Committee voted 8-1-0

Rep. Martin reported that the key provision of this ordinance provides that fees will be set by resolution rather than by ordinance. He further reported that a public hearing was held on this matter at which time no members of the public came forward to speak. The Committee debated this issue with concerns being expressed that an ordinance will provide a more assured way of making certain the public is informed. The Committee felt the resolution mechanism, which is the mechanism being used more and more for all the fees set by the Board, was more consistent with the way the Board sets fees, and it was approved 8-1-0. Rep. Martin moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Loglisci stated he voted against it because of the reasons Mr. Martin mentioned. Rep. Loglisci said that this process eliminates a public hearing process, and in fairness to the public, he believes that the Board should always do its best to involve them in whatever decision-making process is going on. Further, Rep. Loglisci stated that while in many cases the public chooses not to show up, there are times that they do, and he wants to protect the rights of the citizens. Rep. Loglisci requested a machine vote.

The motion was approved by machine vote, with a vote of 36-2-0.

6. F24.204 **RESOLUTION; For Final Adoption;** setting building **APPROVED BY**
fees. **VOICE VOTE**
New building/alteration - \$10 per \$1,000
Demolition - \$10 per \$1,000
Display sign - \$10 per \$1,000
Reroofing/residing - \$10 per \$1,000
07/25/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/03/97 - Approved for publication
09/29/97 - Committee voted 8-1-0

Rep. Martin reported that this resolution eliminates the discounts in projects over \$200,000, and sets the fees as stated in the Agenda. Rep. Martin also stated that this item was also published and was open for public hearing; no one from the public attended. Rep. Martin moved the resolution. Said motion was seconded. The resolution was approved by voice vote.

7. F24.233 RESOLUTION; supporting the North Street Reconstruction Project; funds to be provided by State Dept. of Transportation; estimated cost: \$800,000.
08/29/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/29/97 - Committee voted 9-0-0
- APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA**

Rep. Martin moved the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1, 3, 4 and 7. Said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE: Maria Nakian, Chairwoman
Meeting: Monday, September 22, 1997
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Rep. Mitchell gave the Legislative & Rules Committee report in Rep. Nakian's absence. Rep. Mitchell reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Monday, September 22, 1997, at 7:00 p.m. Present were Committee Members Esposito, Fedeli, Fox, Lasko, Mitchell, Nakian, Sabia, Sherer, Skigen and Zelinsky present. Also present were Reps. Loglisci and Gergle; Tom Cassone, Director of Legal Affairs; E. Kennedy Langstaff, Vice President of ECOS; Paul Bessa, resident; Dan Lyons, Parks & Recreation Commission; Tony Fouracre, resident; and other speakers on Item No. 1.

1. LR24.126 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; For Final Adoption;
C-81897 approving agreement between the City and Landmark America regarding Burdick School.
08/13/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/02/97 - Approved by Planning Board
09/03/97 - Approved for publication
09/11/97 - Approved by Board of Finance
09/22/97 - Committee voted 2-5-4
- APPROVED BY
ROLL CALL
VOTE (25-11-2)**

Rep. Mitchell reported that there were four speakers from the public who commented on Item No. 1, and each speaker was against the sale of Burdick School. The Committee voted 2-5-4 not to approve. Rep. Mitchell moved for approval of Item No. 1 for final adoption. Said motion was seconded.

Rep. Loglisci stated that there has been a lot of emotional response from the public (our constituents), and a lot of it has to do with the value of open space, historic preservation. Rep. Loglisci stated we are looking at a short term, immediate money gain; and should consider that this land was appraised at \$9.3 million and our net will be \$5.25, which is quite a difference from the estimate. Rep. Loglisci said he was certain the street was not part of the \$9.3 million. Rep. Loglisci took issue with the position that the residents of

these apartments will not use cars because he is unaware of any grocery shopping facilities in the area, and the mall is not very accessible, other than by car. Rep. Loglisci also felt public transportation lacking and contributed to the use of cars.

Rep. Loglisci stated that as a result of constituent input, he feels that we have not investigated all of the different options, such as leasing the property, considering a smaller scaled project that would better fit into the neighborhood. Rep. Loglisci stated that Stamford is not Manhattan, and he hopes that we are not turning into Manhattan, with building on every corner – and seeing how high we can go and how big we can go. He hopes that we have other values for Stamford, including preserving open space, and enhancing the quality of life downtown.

Rep. Loglisci moved to hold the item so that the Board can further investigate other options that have been overlooked and brought to our attention by the public. Said motion was seconded. Rep. Loglisci requested a machine vote.

Rep. Boccuzzi stated that he was voting against holding the item in that the city has tried to do something with this property for many years, there have been two sets of RFPs that went out, and there is nothing on the table in lieu of the current proposal. He stated that a few years ago, the Board dragged its feet and as a result the City lost a proposed sale. Therefore, he requests that the Board vote not to hold, make its mind up whether to sell the property, and do it now.

The motion failed by machine vote, 23-13-2.

Rep. White stated that he is opposed to selling any city property, especially if it is open space and/or historically significant. He stated that the issue as to what we can get for this property is a relevant argument, and that the point is that it is open space and it is downtown and it is a historic building. Rep. White stated the city does not know when it may be needed in the future, and that it would be a breath of fresh air for anyone who is downtown. Rep. White is disturbed that we continue to destroy our historical past while we just look at a dollar amount, and that some things cannot be judged strictly in monetary issues. Rep. White further added that the property has mature trees on it, has a rock setting, has beautiful grass and should be maintained as open space downtown, regardless of the price.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that this is a very emotional issue before the Board, and as a member of the Committee, he listened attentively to the speakers at the public hearing, who spoke against the sale because of environmental issues, open space and historic preservation. Rep. Zelinsky felt the arguments are good on both sides, but the bottom line tonight is voting on the known versus the unknown. A vote for the sale of the property will allow the Board to know what is going to happen to the property as opposed to what may happen in the future, such as further deterioration of the building. Rep. Zelinsky also stated that the letter from Landmark America advised that the building is in a far more deteriorated condition than anyone may have initially anticipated, the overall cost of

restoration would be prohibitive, and the resulting economic benefits to the City would fall short of the City's goals and expectations for this project. Further, the letter stated the project would not interfere with the mature trees and the rock formations on the site. Finally, the sale would provide \$6 million from the land sale, \$4 million in taxes over the next ten years, \$1.1 million in sales tax revenue from the purchase of construction materials, 760 person-year construction jobs, and \$16 million in operating expenses over the first ten years of operation. Rep. Zelinsky feels that while we may all not be happy with the project, these overriding benefits to the City outweigh the negative of having no idea of what the future holds in store.

Rep. DeLuca stated he plans on voting for the project as the property will be back on the tax rolls, and he recalled that when the Government Center was purchased, Burdick School, among other facilities, was supposed to be sold to pay for the debt on it. Rep. DeLuca requested a letter be sent to the administration suggesting that the \$6 million received from the sale of the property be set aside for the restoration of the Old Town Hall. Further, he requested that the developer provide something in writing that states that Greyrock Place will not be closed, as concerns have been expressed about this.

Ms. Mitchell stated that the closure or conveyance of Greyrock Place was not discussed in the Committee meeting. President Domonkos stated that a memo will be sent requesting information on the Greyrock Place closure or conveyance.

Rep. Loglisci stated that he believes the City is giving up the street by abandonment. He further stated that Stamford has shown little concern for historical preservation, the value of open space and what it means to the psyche of its citizens. Rep. Loglisci stated this outlook began in the fifties as we built fortresses, and while we bemoan the loss of heritage, we continue to destroy it, and when we vote tonight to pass it, columns will be written later and stories told in the future as we hypocritically lament the losses that are irreplaceable. As such, he will vote against this item and requests a machine vote.

Rep. Martin stated that from a fiscal perspective, he is pleased that we are doing something to deal with the financial liability that has existed there for many years. However, his difficulty in supporting this item is that it represents a direction of continued growth by increasing the density of the City, and to continue in this direction is not in our best long-term interest, and as such, he will not support the sale.

President Domonkos stated that this Board has to approve the abandonment of any street in this City. Rep. Loglisci stated that it will probably happen, anyway.

Rep. White stated that again the Board is just going for a short term monetary gain from this sale, and in terms of the future of Stamford and of Stamford's heritage, we should plan accordingly and use this property as open space in downtown Stamford. This would add to the quality and character of the City.

President Domonkos stated that this action is being taken by ordinance, and as such the Board is voting on the ordinance for final adoption. The motion passed by roll call vote, 25-11-2.

2. LR24.127 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; For Final Adoption; **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE (as amended)**
amending the Water Pollution Control Authority Ordinance.
08/13/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/03/97 - Held in Committee
09/22/97 - Committee voted 10-0-0

Rep. Mitchell stated that the Committee had corrections in two sections. Rep. Mitchell moved the ordinance. Said motion was seconded.

Rep. Mitchell stated the first amendment was to 200-33i, which should read, "Notwithstanding the powers of the Sewer and Water Commission, the executive director shall have the power to approve or reject any extension of the public sewer system and any private sewer line or extension intended to discharge into the public sewer system." The second amendment was to Section 200-38d, which should read, *Chapter 440k*, instead of *Section 254i*, and the second citation should read, *Section 228-438*, instead of *Section 25-44q*. A motion to approve the amendments was made, seconded and approved by voice vote.

President Domonkos stated that it was determined that the amendments were minor and therefore would not require republication. As such, the motion to approve the amended ordinance is for final adoption; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

3. LR24.125 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; For Publication, **APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE**
C-50897 concerning the sale of premises at the intersection of Arlington Road and Hillandale Avenue to 828 Development Company, LLC.
08/11/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
08/26/97 - Approved by Planning Board
09/11/97 - Approved by Board of Finance
09/22/97 - Committee voted 9-0-1

Rep. Mitchell moved Item No. 3, said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

Rep. Ventura abstained from the vote on Item No. 3.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Randall Skigen, Chairman
Tuesday, September 30, 1997
7:15 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Rep. Skigen reported that the Personnel Committee met on September 30, 1997 at 7:20 p.m. Present were Reps. Fedeli, Fortunato, Loglisci, MacInnis, Zelinsky and Skigen. Rep. Lasko was unable to attend. Also present were Reps. Giordano, Owens and DeLuca; Jim Haselkamp, Director of Personnel and Labor Relations; William Stover, Labor Relations Specialist; and Barry Kaplan, Benefits Manager.

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| 1. P24.22
O-T-CN-14-0 | APPROVAL; of a tentative agreement of a new collective bargaining agreement with the Teamsters Union Local #145.
07/29/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
08/14/97 - Favorable opinion rendered by Board of Finance
09/30/97 - Held in Committee | HELD IN
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Rep. Skigen reported that Item No. 1 was held in that the union membership has not voted to approve the agreement.

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| 2. P24.24
O-T-CN-15-0 | APPROVAL; of a tentative agreement of a new collective bargaining agreement with the Dental Hygienists Union, AFSCME, Local #1303-273
07/29/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/11/97 - Favorable opinion rendered by Board of Finance
09/30/97 - Committee voted 5-0-0 | APPROVED ON
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| 3. P24.26 | RESOLUTION; regarding revised plan documents for the City's two deferred compensation plans for its employees incorporating administrative changes to comply with new regulations.
09/02/97 - Submitted by Barry Kaplan, Benefits Mgr.
09/30/97 - Committee voted 5-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
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Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda was approved by voice vote.

Suspension of the Rules:

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the rules were suspended to take up Item No. 1.

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| 4. P24.27
O-T-A-23 | APPROVAL; of proposed pension adjustments for firefighter retirees. Cost to City: \$85,269 in increased | APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE |
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pension plan contributions.

09/19/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

09/29/97 - Approved by Board of Finance

Rep. Martin questioned the urgency of Item No. 4. Rep. Skigen stated that the item was retroactive to July, and the matter had been sent to the Board of Finance and unanimously approved but mistakenly was not sent to our Board until after Steering Committee. Rep. Martin stated, as he spoke out on the item last time, he is very much opposed to this. While Rep. Martin believes the retirees need this adjustment, the structure is that we cut a deal with the union and then a certain number of years later, we come back and the taxpayers are left having to foot the bill for the consequences. Rep. Martin feels that it should be done a different way, and while he feels deeply for the retirees and believe that they sincerely need this type of relief, he finds that the union has no compassion in its heart to take a share of the burden, and therefore, he does not support this item.

Rep. Skigen stated that this item will increase pensions to 107 fire fighter retirees, all of whom receive pensions of less than \$20,000 per year. The annual increases range from \$550 to \$1,500. The actuaries for the City have determined that the City's contribution to the pension plan could increase by \$85,000. Rep. Skigen reported that this is similar to the action taken for police retirees in the July meeting, where Rep. Martin made the same objections. Rep. Skigen advised that he took the minutes to the Committee meeting and read Rep. Martin's comments to Mr. Haselkamp. Mr. Haselkamp stated that the City periodically agrees to make adjustments, both out of a sense of fairness and in view of the fact that as retirees, they are no longer members of the union, and to try to avoid including cost of living adjustments in the union contracts. Rep. Skigen moved the item, and said motion was seconded.

Rep. Loglisci stated that a possible solution would be COLAs, and he believes the City doesn't want to get into that because the cure is worse than the disease. Rep. Loglisci also stated that to make an adjustment once every ten years for those retirees at the lowest end, speaks of humanity. Therefore, Rep. Loglisci stated he would vote for the item.

Rep. Martin stated that the use of annuities in order to hedge against inflation for individual's exposure in their retirement funds is a common practice with many public employee retirement packages across the country, and it is something that the City of Stamford could employ as well.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he is pleased to see this item come before the Board. Rep. Zelinsky is also pleased that the City is being consistent by increasing pensions for the fire fighters, and he hopes they consider increasing pensions for the other unions, out of a sense of fairness.

The motion was approved by voice vote.

Suspension of the Rules:

Rep. Skigen stated this was taken up under suspension of rules in Committee was that the Board has 44 days from the day the tentative agreement is reached, and if this was not taken up at this month's meeting, it would be necessary to call a special meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the Item No. 5 was taken up under suspension of the rules:

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| 4. P24.28 | APPROVAL; of a tentative agreement of a new collective bargaining agreement with the Nurses' Union, AFSCME, Local #465.
09/19/97 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
09/29/97 - Recommended by Board of Finance | APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE |
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Rep. Skigen stated this is a two year contract that covers 52 employees who are evenly split between the schools and Smith House. It is a two year agreement with raises of 2% and 2.5%. The other provisions are identical to the provisions of the dental hygienist contract. The Board of Finance recommended approval of the contract by a vote of 6-0, and Rep. Skigen moved the item. Said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

Rep. Skigen also noted that a discussion with Mr. Haselkamp was held regarding unemployment benefit claims that certain members of these unions are rumored to be making. Mr. Haselkamp indicated that it is the case that some hygienists and school nurses do collect unemployment benefits during the summer, under current state law. This law states that public employees, who are employed by a municipality and who do not work a full calendar year, have the right to file for unemployment. This is not true for employees who are employed through the Board of Education. Mr. Haselkamp did indicate that he believes there is a trade off in moving employees off the City payroll and onto the Board of Education, and the Committee indicated a willingness to work with the administration to try to end this practice. Rep. Skigen further reported that he will suggest at Steering Committee this month that a letter be sent to the state delegation, asking that they address this through state legislation.

**PLANNING & ZONING/ENVIRONMENTAL - Paul Esposito &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Donald Sherer, Co-Chairmen**

There was no report this month.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE - Bobby Owens & Lucy Corelli, Co-Chairs
Monday, September 29, 1997
8:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Rep. Corelli reported that Public Works met in conjunction with the Fiscal Committee, and the Committee voted to hold Item No. 1 in Committee. Rep. Corelli stated she would provide the Board office with a list of attendees at the meeting.

1. PW24.12 REVIEW; of recommendations re: school construction management of upcoming school renovation and expansion projects.
07/28/97 - Submitted by Patricia Broom, Director of Operations
09/03/97 - Held in Committee
- HELD IN
COMMITTEE**

Secondary Committees: Education Committee & Fiscal Committee **Committees
Concurred**

Rep. Leydon reported that the Education Committee agreed to hold Item No. 1 in Committee.
Rep. Martin reported that the Fiscal Committee also agreed to hold the item in Committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE - Jeffrey T. Curtis, Sr., Chairman

There was no report this month.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Herman Alswanger & Mary Fedeli, Co-Chairs

There was no report this month.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: John F. Leydon, Jr., Chairman
Monday, September 29, 1997
8:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room
(in conjunction with Fiscal Committee)

Rep. Leydon reported that the Education Committee met with the Fiscal and Public Works Committees on Monday, September 29, 1997. In attendance were: Reps. Leydon, Gaztambide, Giordano, Johnson, Loglisci, Mitchell, Poltrack and Ventura; Reps. Alswanger and Drucker were excused.

URBAN RENEWAL COMMITTEE: Alice Fortunato, Chairwoman
Tuesday, September 30, 1997
8:00 p.m. - Legislative Chambers

Then, if the Board feels the public is comfortable with the plans, then a vote for final adoption will be held at the November 5th meeting. President Domonkos stated this process would allow this item to be passed during the current Board.

President Domonkos thanked Rep. Fortunato and her Committee for her hard work on this item.

Rep. Sherer stated that, regarding Item No. 1 above, one of the parcels in that agreement is the building bought by a church on the corner of Broad and Washington Boulevard. The group that bought that property at a modest price, subsequently came to the Board for a tax abatement, which was approved. A small amount of work on the building was performed, and no taxes have been paid for two years. Now, the building will be condemned or sold, the owners will probably make more money than they paid for the building, and it bothers him that a tax abatement was given to people who don't use the property for the intended use. Rep. Sherer wants the Board to consider making the tax abatement contingent upon actually doing something with the property.

President Domonkos stated that Rep. Sherer should consider placing this on the Legislative & Rules Committee agenda.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

Ellen Mellis, Chairwoman

There was no report.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Robert DeLuca, Chairman
Thursday, September 18, 1997
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Rep. DeLuca stated that the Transportation Committee met on Thursday, September 18, 1997. Present were Committee Members DeLuca, Giordano, Gergle and Kuzlik. Also present were Reps. Fox, White and Boccuzzi; Shippan area residents Mary Badyanis and Marie K. Mead-Wilson. Due to a mix up in communications, the meeting was tabled until September 25, 1997, and present at this meeting were: Committee Members DeLuca, Gergle, Giordano, Kuzlik and Nanos; also present were Reps. Fox, White, Owens and Boccuzzi; John Byrne, Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare; Jim Minor, Esq., Assistant Corporation Counsel; Mani Poola, Traffic Engineer; area residents Mary Badyanis and Mary K. Mead-Wilson.

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| 1. T24.08 | DISCUSSION; regarding the number of helicopter takeoffs and landings from the Canal Street area and compliance with city ordinance. | REPORT
MADE |
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07/07/97 - Submitted by Reps. Fox and White (D-1)

Rep. DeLuca stated that the Committee feels there is a major problem with a number of unlicensed flights taking place. He has distributed to all representatives a proposed letter correspondence from area residents, and a memo from John Byrne regarding this item. Further, Rep. DeLuca stated that Rep. Moira Lyons has met with area residents regarding this matter. The Board agreed to sending the letter.

Rep. Skigen suggested the reference to *36 unlicensed flights* be amended to read, *36 flights*. He stated that the reference to *unlicensed* is incorrect. It was agreed to by the Board.

2. T24.09 DISCUSSION; regarding the traffic problem on **REPORT**
Palmer's Hill Road resulting from uncoordinated **MADE**
traffic lighting system.
08/28/97 - Submitted by Reps. Ventura, Giordano
and Mellis

Rep. DeLuca stated that regarding Item No. 2, he was advised that the residents have met with the Mayor. Further, Mani Poola brought the representatives up to date on the problems, and he believes everyone is satisfied with the solutions proposed.

HOUSE COMMITTEE: Annie M. Summerville, Chairwoman

There was no report.

RESOLUTIONS:

SENSE-OF-THE-BOARD RESOLUTION; whereby the Board of Representatives acknowledges the ongoing problem of local blood supply shortages and supports the City of Stamford's October blood drive.

**APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE**

09/10/97 - Submitted by Rep. Summerville

Rep. Summerville moved to approve the Resolution. Said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote.

MINUTES:

September 3, 1997 Regular Board Meeting

**APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE**

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the September 3, 1997 minutes were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. President Domonkos reminded members to encourage the October 14, 1997 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 p.m.

Note: A tape of these proceedings is available in the Board of Representatives office.

