

The Regular Meeting of the 25th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held Monday, July 5, 2000 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

Minutes

INVOCATION: Given by Rep. Giordano.

“Almighty God, we thank you for bringing us together this day. Inspire us to worthy deeds and sound decisions and direct toward the attainment of our goal. We pray you bless and protect all our people, guide us on the path of unity and harmony, that we may serve you and your people. Amen.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by Majority Leader John Boccuzzi

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville. There were thirty-two members present and eight members absent or excused: Reps. Biancardi, Domonkos, Gaztambide, Imbrogno, Mobilio, Owens, Poltrack and White. Attached is a copy of the attendance sheet.

MACHINE TEST VOTE: The machine was not operational.

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ELECTION OF ACTING PRESIDENT: Rep. Skigen moved to nominate John Boccuzzi as acting president; Rep. Summerville seconded the motion; said motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late:

Jean Zito, by Reps. Mellis and Loglisci; Ralph Buzzeo, and Michael Larobina, Sr., by Reps. Giordano and Loglisci; Charles H. Vuono, by Reps. Giordano, Loglisci and Zelinsky; Rebecca Jean Baxter, Benjamin Mostowy, and Kate Baskin Dais by Rep. Giordano; William Colombo, by Reps. Loglisci, Corelli and Zelinsky; Cynthia Salamon, Nicholas J. Fusaro, and Gosta “Gus” Florby by Reps. Loglisci and Corelli; Margaret Fahey, by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky; Fannie Comen, Thadeusz Foll, Sharon Lowden, Frank Melatti, and Sidney A. Fruchtman by Rep. Zelinsky; and Pasquale Corrente, by the Republican Caucus.

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS: By Mayor Dannel P. Malloy

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a [transcript](#) of the Mayor’s State of The City Address.

Suspension of the Rules: Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the rules were suspended to take up the following item.

1. Sense-of-the-Board Resolution Thanking Dr. Angelo Mastrangelo for his Decades of Public Service to City of Stamford Residents. **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**
06/14/00 - Submitted by Rep. Loglisci

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Resolution Thanking Dr. Mastrangelo was approved by unanimous voice vote. Rep. Loglisci presented the resolution to Dr. Mastrangelo.

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Meeting: Wednesday, June 14, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

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

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE Paul A. Esposito, Chair
Annie M. Summerville, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, June 14, 2000
8:15 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room **and**
Meeting: Tuesday, June 20, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Esposito reported that the Appointments Committee met on Wednesday, June 14, 2000 and on Tuesday, June 20, 2000. Neither meeting had a quorum. Present at the June 14, 2000 meeting were Committee Member Reps. Esposito, Boccuzzi, Summerville, DePina and Blackwell. On June 20, 2000, present were Committee Member Reps. Esposito, Blackwell, Corelli, Loglisci and Boccuzzi.

Due to a lack of quorum, Rep. Esposito moved to take Item No. 1 out of committee; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 1. A25.152 | <u>Zoning Board of Appeals</u>
David J. Bauer (D)
43 Highview Ave., #2
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/01/02
05/05/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/16/00 - Held in Committee
06/14/00 - No quorum | Rep. Taranto
<i>(Term Exp. 12/1/99)</i> | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
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Chair Esposito reported that those present at the Committee meeting voted 5-0-0 to approve Item No. A25.152. Chair Esposito moved the appointment; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 2. A25.155 | <u>Traffic Hearing Officer</u>
Lori L. Longo (D)
830 Hope Street
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 12/01/01
06/02/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy | Repl. Serafino
<i>(Term Exp. 12/1/99)</i> | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
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Chair Esposito reported that those present at the Committee meeting voted 5-0-0 to approve Item No. A25.155. Chair Esposito moved the appointment; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 3. A25.156 | <u>Civil Citation Officer</u>
Frank Fedeli
c/o Operations Department
888 Washington Boulevard
Stamford, CT 06904
Term Expires: 6/30/02
04/12/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/20/00 - No quorum | | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE
(Rep. Fedeli
abstaining) |
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Chair Esposito reported that those present at the Committee meeting voted 5-0-0 to approve Item No. A25.156. Chair Esposito moved the appointment; said motion was

seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. Rep. Fedeli abstained due to a possible conflict.

4. A25.153 Parks and Recreation Commission **APPROVED BY**
Julian W. Sayer Repl. Lesando **UNANIMOUS**
147 Berrian Road (*Term Exp. 12/1/99*) **VOICE VOTE**
Stamford, CT 06905
Term Expires: 12/01/02
05/22/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/20/00 - No quorum

Chair Esposito reported that those present at the Committee meeting voted 5-0-0 to approve Item No. A25.153. Chair Esposito moved the appointment; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

5. A25.154 Commission on Aging **HELD IN**
Robert A. Boender Repl. Segall **COMMITTEE**
71 Strawberry Hill Ave., #514 (*Term Exp. 12/1/98*)
Stamford, CT 06902
Term Expires: 12/01/01
05/22/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/20/00 - No quorum

Chair Esposito reported that Mr. Boender did not attend the meeting and the item will be held.

6. A25.157 REVIEW; of role and responsibilities of Water/Sewer **REPORT**
Commission. **MADE**
05/10/00 - Submitted by Steering Committee
06/20/00 - No quorum

Chair Esposito reported that Jeanette Brown appeared before the Committee, and she was questioned on the function of the Sewer Commission and the WPCA. Ms. Brown stated that the Sewer Commission recommends new sewer extensions, connection charges and assessments and the connection of water lines. Chair Esposito stated that if the Board wants to eliminate the Sewer Commission, State Statute gives WPCAs the same powers that the Sewer Commission has and thus the WPCA could assume the responsibilities of the Sewer Commission. Chair Esposito stated that although there was not a quorum at the meeting, the five members that were present did not feel strongly that the Sewer Commission should be disbanded.

Chair Esposito stated that if Steering wants the full committee to reconsider this item, it can be taken up next month.

Suspension of the Rules:

Clerk of the Board Summerville moved to take the following Personnel Committee matter out of order; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

3. P25.052 APPROVAL; of pension increase for members of the **APPROVED BY**
Classified Employees Retirement Trust Fund. **VOICE VOTE**
06/03/99 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy **(Reps. Martin,**
07/14/99 - Placed on Pending Agenda **Shapiro and Day**
05/31/00 - Held in Committee **opposed)**
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/06/00 - Approved by Board of Finance
06/28/00 - Committee approved 4-1-1

Chair Skigen stated that due to a potential conflict, he recused himself on this matter and stated that Mr. Loglisci, the Vice Chair, will report on this matter. Rep. Giordano stated he would be excusing himself from this item.

Vice Chair Loglisci stated that the Personnel Committee voted 4-1-1 in favor of Item No. P25.052. He stated that larger percentages go to the individuals longest retired and smaller increases to more recent retirees. Those that were part of the buyouts in 1996 and 1998 are not a part of this increase. Mr. Loglisci moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Rep. MacInnis stated he voted no in committee because he felt as a matter of public policy pension increases should be won at the bargaining table and not on the floor of the legislative body. Rep. MacInnis stated that a legislative body giving pension increases could undermine the long-term stability of the fund. Rep. MacInnis stated there have been market losses in the past. Rep. MacInnis stated that after reviewing the numbers he noted that some retirees, particularly those who retired years ago, have very small pensions and because he cannot deny those persons an increase, he will vote yes on the floor.

Rep. Martin stated that he will vote against this item, as he has on every one of these that the Board has been presented with. Rep. Martin stated that the first pension increase was represented as being a one-time occurrence, and now we have a one-time occurrence every few months. Rep. Martin stated that Mr. MacInnis is correct in his view that these should be settled during negotiations, and therefore, he will vote against these. Rep. Martin stated that in no way should this be interpreted as a vote against any one of the pensioners, it is very clear that inflation has seriously eroded their pensions, and the point is that these increases should and must be planned for by the City with agreement of the unions. Rep. Martin added that these problems should not be occurring, and that the Board is not even raising the money to the levels they should be.

Rep. Lyons stated that the Board is not voting on future bargaining agreements and that in a perfect world, everyone would like to see these enacted through negotiation going forward,

however, these pensioners deserve the increase, the money is there, and if not now, when? If an economic downturn comes, who knows when the Board might have the opportunity to afford an increase, so he will vote yes on this item.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he also agrees that the Board should approve this. These individuals deserve this increase, and while he can appreciate Reps. Martin' and MacInnis' statements, at the present time, funds are available, and in many cases the retirees need these extra funds.

The motion was approved by voice vote with Reps. Shapiro, Martin and Day opposed.

Clerk Summerville stated that for the record, Reps. DePina and Green-Carter are no longer in attendance, which makes thirty members present.

FISCAL COMMITTEE David Martin, Chair
 Bobby E. Owens, Vice Chair
 Meeting: Monday, June 19, 2000
 7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Martin reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Monday, June 19, 2000. Mr. Owens chaired the meeting in Mr. Martin's absence and has submitted a report to everyone.

1. F25.275 \$36,760.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grant Funded); Connecting With KYDS Grant; new drug and alcohol prevention program; to purchase postage, office supplies, program supplies and food. 05/26/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 06/06/00 - Approved by Board of Finance 06/19/00 - Committee approved 8-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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Secondary Committee: Housing/Community Development/Social Services Concur

2. F25.274	RESOLUTION; authorizing a Youth Drug and Alcohol Prevention Grant from the Department of Children and Families - Connecting with KYDS; amount of grant: \$36,760. 05/26/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 06/19/00 - Committee approved 8-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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3. F25.276 \$301,900.00	ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Dial-a-Ride Bus Purchase; to purchase four dial-a-ride vehicles. 05/26/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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06/06/00 - Approved by Planning Board
07/13/00 - To be considered by Board of Finance
06/19/00 - Committee approved 9-0-0

Secondary Committee: Transportation Committee

Concur

4. F25.277 RESOLUTION; approving Exhibit A in connection with the F25.276 above, \$301,900 purchase of four dial-a-ride vehicles.
05/26/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/19/00 - Committee approved 9-0-0 **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
5. F25.273 APPROVAL; of agreement with Command Security Corporation for police department extra duty administrative services.
06/01/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/06/00 - Approved by Board of Finance
06/19/00 - Committee approved 9-0-0 **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 through 5, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE Maria Nakian, Chair
William MacInnis, Vice Chair
Meeting: Monday, June 26, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nakian reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Monday, June 26, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. Nakian, MacInnis, Esposito, Skigen, Spandow and Zelinsky. Rep. Day was excused. Also present was Sybil Richards, Deputy Director of Legal Affairs.

1. LR25.117 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for final adoption**;
amending Section 77-1 through 77-5 regarding Auctions to designate the Office of Cashiering and Permitting as the issuing office.
04/26/00 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
05/30/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0
06/05/00 - Approved for Publication
06/26/00 - Committee voted 6-0-0 **APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE
(*as amended)**

Chair Nakian moved the item; said motion was seconded. Chair Nakian moved two amendments to the ordinance: include the words "Office of" in Sections 77-2 and 77-3.

The amendments were seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. The main motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

2. LR25.118 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
amending Sections 202-1 to Section 202-8 regarding
Shellfish to designate the Office of Cashiering and
Permitting as the issuing office.
04/26/00 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
05/30/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0
06/05/00 - Approved for publication
06/26/00 - Committee voted 6-0-0
3. LR25.119 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE
(*as amended)**
amending Sections 74-1 through 74-2 regarding
Amusements to designate the Office of Cashiering
and Permitting as the issuing office.
04/26/00 - Submitted by Rep. Nakian
05/30/00 - Committee approved 7-0-0
06/05/00 - Approved for publication
06/26/00 - Committee voted 6-0-0

Chair Nakian moved the item; said motion was seconded. Chair Nakian moved to amend the item by adding “Office of Cashiering and Permitting” in place of “Controller” in Section 74-5. Said amendment was approved by unanimous voice vote. The main motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

A motion to waive republication was made; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

4. LR25.101 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
granting a tax abatement to The First Haitian Free
Methodist Church of Stamford, for four lots bounded
by Virgil Street, Dryden Street and Minor Place.
11/04/99 - Submitted by Howard C. Kaplan, Esq.,
Wofsey Rosen et al
05/01/00 - Held in Committee
06/26/00 - Committee voted 6-0-0
5. LR25.115 **APPROVAL:** of lease agreement with the **APPROVED
ON CONSENT
AGENDA**
Southwestern Regional Planning Agency for space in
the Government Center; term of lease: 10 years.
04/10/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/11/00 - Approved by Board of Finance

05/30/00 - Committee approved 8-0-0
06/05/00 - Returned to Committee
06/26/00 - Committee voted 6-0-0

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 2, 4 and 5, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE Randall Skigen, Chair
Ralph Loglisci, Vice Chair
Meeting: Wednesday, June 28, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Skigen reported that the Personnel Committee met on Wednesday, June 28, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. Cannady, Fedeli, Loglisci, Skigen, MacInnis and Spadow. Excused were Reps. Boccuzzi, Fortunato and Gasparrini. Also present were Reps. Domonkos; Human Resources Director Haselkamp; Assistant Human Resources Director Stover; Nancy Francasconi, Mary Cantalini, David Exline, Louise Scott, Michelle Marsalisi, John Marsalisi, Suzanne Marsalisi, William Buchanan, Louis Calabrese, Michael Brisco, Lydia Lupinacci, Marvin Schnyder, Audrey Greer, Virginia Kristoff, Mary Klein, Peter Canzano, Ed Faski and Patricia Fusto.

1. P25.075 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for final adoption;** **HELD IN**
amending Ordinance No. 921 concerning student **COMMITTEE**
interns.
05/10/00 - Submitted by Andrew J. McDonald, Esq.
05/31/00 - Committee approved 8-0-0
06/05/00 - Approved for publication
06/28/00 - Held in Committee

Chair Skigen reported that a public hearing was held on Item No. P25.075, and six members of the public attended and spoke in opposition to the current ordinance. The Committee voted to hold this matter.

2. P25.064 **PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;** **APPROVED BY**
providing a defined contribution plan for elected, **UNANIMOUS**
appointed and unclassified officials. **VOICE VOTE**
11/03/99 - Submitted by Rep. Skigen **(Rep. Zelinsky**
02/07/00 - Held in Committee **abstaining)**
02/16/00 - Held in Steering Committee
03/29/00 - Held in Committee
04/26/00 - Held in Committee
05/01/00 - Held in Committee
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/28/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0

Chair Skigen moved Item No. P25.064. Said motion was seconded.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he wanted to make it clear that this ordinance does not include Board of Representative, Board of Finance or Board of Education members. Chair Skigen confirmed this. Rep. Zelinsky asked whether the recently enacted City and Town Clerk ordinance would conflict with this ordinance. Chair Skigen stated that it could conceivably apply if there is a future town and city clerk who serves for twenty-five years and that the ordinance could always be repealed. Rep. Zelinsky also asked for the time frame for participation in the plan. Chair Skigen replied that a vesting schedule is provided for in the ordinance.

Rep. Zelinsky moved to amend the vesting schedule so that vesting begins after three years of employment in the City of Stamford; said motion did not receive a second.

The item was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Clerk of the Board Summerville stated that Reps. DePina and Green-Carter were no longer in attendance. There are now thirty representatives present and ten absent.

Suspension of the Rules:

Chair Skigen moved to suspend the rules to take up the following item. Chair Skigen stated that the reason for suspension of the rules is that the Human Resources Department will not post jobs until a fee is set. Said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote (Reps. Mitchell and Martin voting no).

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| 1. P25.077 | RESOLUTION; setting the examination fee for the civil service examination for a classified position of police officer or firefighter at \$30.
06/22/00 - Submitted by H. James Haselkamp
06/28/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0 | APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE
(Reps. Mitchell,
Lyons and
Summerville
opposed) |
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Chair Skigen stated that the Personnel Commission approved a \$5 increase to the fee, and that the examinations cost well in excess of \$30 to run, particularly for those who make it to the next phase and have to undergo the physical testing and other tests and background checks. Chair Skigen stated that the other issue involved was a loss of revenue when the application fees for other job postings was eliminated. This increase is designed to partially make up for this loss of revenue. Chair Skigen moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Shapiro asked if the police and fire department administrations support these application fees. Chair Skigen stated that the police chief is aware of the increase and the Committee has not heard any opposition from him to the fee increase; Chair Skigen stated he has heard nothing from the Fire Department.

The motion was approved by voice vote (Reps. Lyons, Mitchell and Summerville opposed).

Chair Skigen moved to suspend the rules to take up the following item, an amendment with the Police Union to establish a bicycle squad. Chair Skigen stated that the rules needed to be suspended because the agreement was on June 14th, there is a 44-day window for the Board to act, otherwise the amendment goes through without our action. Chair Skigen stated that if the item is not taken up tonight, a special meeting will have to be called. Said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 1. P25.078 | APPROVAL; of an agreement with the Stamford Police Association concerning the creation of a department Bike Squad.
06/27/00 - Submitted by William C. Stover
06/28/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0 | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
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Chair Skigen stated the bicycle squad will have no fiscal impact during 2000-01 because the Department has approximately \$100,000 in grant funds and corporate contributions for this squad. Chair Skigen stated it is the Chief's hope to have 30-40 officers working on the bicycle squad. The cost of outfitting and training each member of the bike squad, including purchasing a bike and other necessary equipment, is approximately \$2,000-\$2,500 per officer.

Chair Skigen stated that an issue in committee was whether the bike squad would count toward the minimum manpower requirement in the contract, and it was agreed that those officers will not count toward the minimum manpower requirement, however, Chief Esserman has stated that if the minimum manpowers are not met on any particular shift, he will not send out a bike squad for that shift until the minimum manpower requirements are met. Therefore, this should not impact overtime or any other manner of fiscal spending.

Chair Skigen stated the Committee voted 6-0 and moved the item; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

LAND USE COMMITTEE Donald B. Sherer, Co-Chair
Patrick White, Co-Chair

No report.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE Bobby E. Owens, Chair
Susan Nabel, Vice Chair
Meeting: Thursday, June 22, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Nabel stated that the Operations Committee met on Thursday, June 22, 2000. Vice Chair Nabel stated she did not have the attendance record, but there was a quorum although no vote was required on any item.

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| 1. O25.024 | PROGRESS REPORT; regarding Government Center security system.
11/25/99 - Submitted by Rep. O'Neill
02/07/00 - Held in Committee
03/06/00 - Held in Committee
04/04/00 - Report Made & Held in Committee
04/12/00 - Placed on Pending Agenda
06/22/00 - Held in Committee | HELD IN
COMMITTEE |
| 2. O25.033 | REVIEW; of replacement of the West Main Street Bridge over the Rippowam River.
06/09/00 - Submitted by Antonio Iadarola, City Engineer
06/22/00 - Report Made | REPORT
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Vice Chair Nabel reported that Antonio Iadarola, City Engineer, presented the Committee with a detailed report regarding the West Main Street Bridge. This is a \$2.3 million project, with 20% of the cost being reimbursed by the State. The capacity of the bridge will be increased to 20 tons, and there are nine other bridges in the city that require immediate repair.

Rep. Loglisci asked whether questions regarding the length of time that this bridge has been in need of repair were asked. Rep. Loglisci stated that funding had been lost due to the time delays. Vice Chair Nabel stated those questions were asked, and she recalls the response was that the project has been continually lowered on the capital list. Rep. Loglisci stated that he believes the real reason the work was put off is because the plans were always wrong.

Rep. Loglisci asked if they are planning on saving the steel structure. Vice Chair Nabel replied that Mr. Iadarola presented three scenarios for the bridge: 1) make it a pedestrian only bridge; 2) eliminate the bridge completely; 3) fully renovate it keeping the architectural integrity with replica metal. The most expensive would be option 3, keeping the original metal. Rep. Loglisci stated it is a historic bridge and there is a duplicate bridge in North Stamford, the old Turn of River bridge. Rep. Nakian stated that this was one of the three original bridges along with the West Main Street Bridge and the Pulaski Street bridge.

Rep. Lyons stated that this was a completely initial discussion that Mr. Iadarola participated in. No designs were presented, nothing is in process, and Mr. Iadarola stated that this was just an informal discussion of options that the City will be faced with.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH
COMMITTEE**

Alice Fortunato, Chair
Lucy F. Corelli, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, June 27, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Corelli reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met on Tuesday, June 27, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. Corelli, DePina, MacInnis, Mobilio, Kernan, Skigen, DeLuca, O'Neill and Nanos. Also present were Andrew McDonald, Esq., Rick Petersen of the Health Department; and Gene Conrad of the Health Commission.

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| 1. PS25.032 | RESOLUTION; setting new fees for miscellaneous health inspections and tests.
03/10/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
03/30/00 - Committee approved 7-1-0
05/01/00 - Committee approved 5-1-0
05/01/00 - Returned to Committee
05/25/00 - Held in Committee
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/27/00 - Committee approved 6-2-0 | APPROVED BY
VOICE VOTE
(Reps. Day,
Summerville,
Corelli, Fedeli,
Alswanger,
Blackwell,
Cannady and
Mitchell opposed) |
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Vice Chair Corelli reported that the Committee voted 6-2-0 and moved the item. Said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote 30-8-0 (Reps. Day, Summerville, Corelli, Fedeli, Alswanger, Blackwell, Cannady and Mitchell opposed).

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| 2. PS25.037 | RESOLUTION; increasing the Plan Review Fee to \$70 as part of the Food Service Establishment License and Service Fees.
06/14/00 - Submitted by Steering Committee
06/27/00 - Committee approved 6-2-0 | APPROVED
BY VOICE
VOTE (Reps.
Corelli, Day and
Cannady opposed) |
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Vice Chair Corelli stated that this resolution increases the fees for plan review for food establishments. The fees will now be the same as the annual licensure fee. The resolution passed last month had the incorrect plan review fee listed, and this resolution corrects that error. Vice Chair Corelli stated the Committee voted 6-2-0 and moved the item; said motion was seconded. The resolution was approved by voice vote 30-3-0 (Reps. Corelli, Day and Cannady opposed).

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| 3. PS25.036 | APPROVAL; of lease between the City of Stamford and Franklin Commons for property at 141 Franklin Street for the Health Department's Well Baby Clinics; term of lease: 5 years; amount of rent: \$13,580 per year.
04/26/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/25/00 - Held in Committee
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/27/00 - Committee approved 8-0-0 | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
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Vice Chair Corelli reported that the Committee voted 8-0-0 and moved the item. Said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Herman P. Alswanger, Co-Chair
Mary L. Fedeli, Co-Chair
Meeting: Thursday, June 29, 2000
7:00 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Co-Chair Alswanger reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on Thursday, June 29, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. Alswanger, Fedeli, Nabel, Cannady, Lyons, O'Neill, Poltrack, Sherer and White. Also present were Moira McNulty from the Operations Department; John Corelli, Co-chair of the Parks & Recreation Commission; Dean Pomeroy from Terry Connors.

1. PR25.056 RESOLUTION; **for publication**; regarding the Parks & Recreation Commissions recommendations for opening and closing times for city-owned parks (note: times to be published). **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
05/01/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
05/23/00 - Held in Committee
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/29/00 - Held in Committee

Co-Chair Alswanger stated that this item was held 6-1-0.

2. PR25.058 RESOLUTION; **for publication**; of proposed adult (18 years and older) user fees for all city fields; fees to become effective 7/1/2000; \$40 fee for city fields with lights and an attendant; \$30 for all other city fields. **APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE**
03/01/00 - Approved by Parks & Rec Commission
06/02/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
06/29/00 - Committee approved 7-0-0

Co-Chair Alswanger reported that these fees will be charged to non-Stamford sponsored teams, many with non-residents, according to Moira McNulty. They have not met with any resistance from any teams.

Rep. Skigen moved to change the adoption date to "effective upon enactment." Said motion was seconded.

Clerk Summerville stated that Item No. 2 was already published, and the item is for adoption, not publication. Rep. Fedeli stated that it was published and since July 1 was on a Saturday, and there were no games scheduled due to the holiday, no one would have been charged these fees during this time period.

Rep. Skigen stated he would withdraw his motion; the seconder agreed to withdraw also.

Clerk Summerville stated she believes the item should be amended by changing the date to “upon enactment.” She stated that she didn’t believe the item would have to be republished.

Rep. Martin stated that if there was any objection, such as Ms. Summerville’s, the item could not be withdrawn. Rep. Martin agreed with Ms. Summerville that the Board should waive publication and approve the amendment. She also added that publication is not even required, we are publishing as a courtesy.

The motion, to amend to say “take effect upon enactment” was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Rep. Skigen moved to waive publication of the amended resolution; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Martin stated since there is no requirement to publish a resolution, the motion is out of order.

Rep. Skigen stated he respectfully disagreed based on the fact that every resolution that we have gone through this year that deals with fees has been published.

Rep. Nakian stated that while we don’t have to publish resolutions, in this case, there is an ordinance that states that parks regulations are supposed to be published, and while you can argue that fees are not parks regulations, the Board should be careful and vote to waive republication.

A motion was made to waive publication; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. The main motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

3. PR25.059	RESOLUTION; <u>for publication</u> ; of proposed fees for Terry Connors Ice Rink for 2000/01. 06/07/00 - Approved by Parks & Rec Commission 06/09/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy 06/29/00 - Committee approved 7-1-0	APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
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Co-Chair Alswanger stated that there is a May 19, 2000 memo that everyone received outlining the nominal increases in fees. The increases will result in a \$54,000 increase in

revenues. Co-Chair Alswanger moved Item No. 3; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE Ellen Mellis, Chair
Philip Giordano, Vice Chair

No Report.

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE Jim Shapiro, Chair
Joseph Gasparrini, Vice Chair

No Report.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE** Elaine Mitchell, Chair
Anthony Imbrogno, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, June 20, 2000
6:30 p.m. - Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met on June 20, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. Mitchell, Imbrogno, Blackwell, Cannady, Green-Carter, Giordano and Kernan. Rep. Mellis was excused. Also in attendance were Reps. Corelli, Lyons and Loglisci; Director of Community Development Tim Beeble and Director of Operations Tim Curtin.

1. HCD25.33 **APPROVAL**; of request by Office of Operations to utilize \$121,000 Year 24 allocation for Washington Boulevard Sidewalks for supplemental funding for Westside Sidewalks (\$100,000 allocated in Year 25).
04/07/00 - Submitted by Tim Beeble
04/12/00 - Placed on Pending Agenda
05/16/00 - Held in Committee
06/05/00 - Held in Committee
06/20/00 - Committee approved 6-0-0
- NO ACTION
REQUIRED**

Chair Mitchell reported that the Committee allocated an additional \$41,500 for the Year 25 West Side Sidewalk Program, which brings the total to \$141,500. The majority of this project should be completed by April 2001, and covers from the corner Virgil Street along Stillwater to West Broad Street.

Chair Mitchell stated that Mr. Curtin assured the Committee that Merrell Avenue from the corner of Stillwater Avenue will have concrete sidewalks by the fall. This project will be done by the City out of the Operations budget. The committee approved the item 6-0-0, and no action is required of the full Board.

2. HCD25.36 APPROVAL; reconsideration of Year 26 CDBG budget allocation for Quintard Terrace kitchen rehab in light of the HCD/SS approval of \$27,361 for the SHA to undertake rehabilitation at Oak Park.
06/09/00 - Submitted by Tim Beeble, Community Development Director
06/20/00 - Committee approved 5-0-0
- NO ACTION
REQUIRED**

Chair Mitchell reported that last month the Committee approved \$27,000 to rehabilitate four units. The Committee approved this item 5-0-0 and no vote is required by the full Board.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE Gabe DeLuca, Chair
Peter C. Nanos, Vice Chair
Meeting: Tuesday, June 27, 2000
6:30 p.m. - Republican Caucus Room

Chair DeLuca reported that the Transportation Committee met on Tuesday, June 27, 2000. Present were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Giordano and Nanos. Also present were Sandy Goldstein and Bob Karp of the DSSD.

1. T25.024 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for final adoption**; amending Chapter 231 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the Code of Ordinances to provide for fines for parking violations; fines to increase from \$10 to \$13 for overtime/meter parking; from \$20 to \$27 for Class II violations; from \$35 to \$50 for Class III violations and from \$85 to \$99 for Class IV violations.
03/10/00 - Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
03/27/00 - Committee approved 4-0-0
04/04/00 - Approved for publication
05/31/00 - Committee approved 3-0-0
06/05/00 - Approved for publication
06/27/00 - Committee voted 2-1-0 (amended to \$10 for Class I fines)
- FAILED BY
ROLL CALL
VOTE (19-11-0)**

Chair DeLuca stated the Committee voted 2-1-0 to amend the fines for overtime/meter parking from \$13 to \$10. All other fines would remain as submitted. Chair DeLuca moved the item; said motion was seconded.

Chair DeLuca moved to amend the item to provide for a \$10 fee for overtime/meter parking per the Committee's recommendation. Chair DeLuca stated he is against the amendment because the fines have not been changed since 1991, and while we have heard arguments that

the increase of \$3 would deter people from coming downtown, he disagrees with that assessment.

Rep. Martin seconded the item.

Rep. Loglisci clarified the motion on the floor saying that if a representative was in support of having the overtime/meter parking fees at \$13, he should vote against the amendment.

Rep. Giordano read a letter from Sandra Goldstein to President Domonkos. The letter reads: "Dear Carmen: The Downtown Special Services District respectfully requests that the Board of Representatives vote not to raise the parking fees from \$10 to \$13 for overtime/meter parking. As you know, parking is a matter of deep concern to the DSSD and its constituents. It is important that metered parking spaces turn over on a regular basis, however, there is a fine line between enforcing the metered spaces and discouraging people from coming to the downtown. The DSSD believes that raising the fees from \$10 to \$13 for overtime/meter parking will have a very negative impact on the businesses in the downtown. To that end, the Board of Commissioners of the Downtown Special Services District urges the Board of Representatives to vote to keep the parking fines at \$10. Sincerely, Sandy Goldstein, Executive Director."

Rep. Shapiro stated he is opposing this amendment, but he is really opposing all of the increases in the fees that are in this item. He thinks it is a sly way to place a tax on our citizens and as such, he does not support it. In addition, he stated it bears no resemblance to some of the other fees that have been increased because some of those other fees were increased because there were particular administrative cost increases. Here, this is a revenue generating mechanism, pure and simple.

Rep. DeLuca stated he is confused by Ms. Goldstein's letter because the Mayor, in his May 8, 2000 memo to Carmen Domonkos, that states, "I have discussed this proposal with Sandy Goldstein, and she concurs with the direction we are heading [a \$13 fee]." Rep. DeLuca also stated that the Mayor's original recommendation was \$17 for overtime/meter parking.

Rep. Martin stated he is against this motion. He stated that it costs a lot of money to issue parking tickets, and that the reason they are issued is to encourage turnover. As a result, Stamford has probably the worst revenue-cost ratios for parking tickets than anything else in the City. And it costs just as much to process a \$13 ticket as a \$99 ticket. Rep. Martin stated that the cost to process a ticket ten or fifteen years ago was already over \$5.50, and that didn't include the cost of issuing the ticket. Rep. Martin stated that regarding the DSSD, the Mayor made a proposal of \$17, he compromised to \$13, and that is the number that this Board supported last month and it should continue to support it.

Rep. Martin added that the reality is that there are very few taxes that don't go directly on our own citizens. The number one revenue source for this City that comes from out-of-towners is parking tickets.

Mr. Day stated that in the past he has been concerned about raising fees without cost justifications for doing so. Here, he feels, there is a failure to make a distinction here between fees and fines. The point of a fee and a fee increase is to cover the increased cost of providing the service. The purpose of a fine is to discourage conduct. Rep. Day supports the increase because the objective of the fine is to deter conduct. Mr. Day also stated that he is not sure that reading Ms. Goldstein's letter into the record at the meeting was proper in that it could constitute public testimony during the Board of Representatives meeting. Mr. Day said that businesses downtown will be fostered and encouraged by proper turnover in parking spaces. He will support the \$13 fine.

Rep. Lyons moved the question; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Acting President Boccuzzi stated that the Transportation Committee voted to reduce the fine \$10 on the overtime/meter parking violation. This is the motion on the floor. President Boccuzzi stated the vote as "all those in favor of reducing the overtime/meter parking from from \$13 to \$10 vote Yes. Said motion failed by voice vote (12-18) (Reps. Mitchell, Nanos, O'Neill, Alswanger, Fortunato, Cannady, Kernan, Giordano, Shapiro, Blackwell and Summerville in favor of the motion).

The main motion (with overtime/meter fines at \$13) failed by voice vote (20-10-0). Because of the close vote, a roll call vote was taken, and the main motion failed again by a vote of (19-11-0).

A motion to reconsider the item was made; said motion was seconded and failed by voice vote.

ADMINISTRATION & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE Gloria DePina, Chair
Harry Day, Vice Chair

No report.

HOUSE COMMITTEE Annie M. Summerville, Chair

No report.

SPECIAL REVALUATION COMMITTEE: Maria Nakian, Chair

No report.

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO
REVIEW TRUANCY ORDINANCE:** Ellen Mellis, Chair

No report.

RESOLUTIONS

MINUTES

1. [June 5, 2000 Regular Meeting](#)

**APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE**

COMMUNICATIONS

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

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