

*The Regular Meeting of the 26th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held Monday, November 10, 2003 at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.*

# Minutes

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 9:17 p.m. by President David Martin.

**INVOCATION:** By Rep. Figueroa.

“Dear Lord, we come before You this evening with our hearts open, not only to request your guidance and wisdom that You provide daily, but we come to give thanks for all that You have done and we know You will continue to do. As You bless us coming and going, we just want to say thank You. Amen.”

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:**

**ROLL CALL:** There were thirty-five members present and five absent/excused: Reps. Day, DeLeo, Morrow, Skigen and Spandow.

**VOTING MACHINE STATUS:** The machine was in working order.

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:** For the late: Antonina Sarris-Fiori by Rep. Figueroa; Thomas Hume and Frank J. Villeroel by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky; Carol J. Hall by Rep. Zelinsky; Fanny L. Cioetta, Doris M. Perna, Daniel S. Perella, Paul V. Viggiano and Florence Calabrese by Reps. Giordano, Zelinsky and Loglisci; Adam G. Piskura by Rep. Giordano; James F. Austin, Felix Ginolfi, Ethel Catherine Kuba, Silvio J. Sessa, Jerry Fiordelisi, Marie Caruso, Helen D. Jubyna, Adrian G. Rodainsky, Mathilde Schmitz, Angelo V. Lucia, Edward S. Czarniecki, Jr., Albert Pensiero, Mary Ann Iovina, Louis R. Faillaci, Philomena Vitti, Anne D. Roman, Nazzareno Raus, Joseph Coviello and Andrew J. Cassidy by Rep. Loglisci.

Chair Martin welcomed back Reps. Adams, Nowakowski, Pavia, Clear and Molgano. At the next meeting, the five returning members will be sworn in.

**PAGES:**

Suspension of Rules:

Rep. DeLuca moved to suspend the rules to take up an item out of order. Said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 3. <a href="#">PS26.042</a> | <b>SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION;</b><br>encouraging Stamford Health System and Local<br>1199 to resolve labor disputes.<br>06/03/03 – Submitted by <b>The 26<sup>th</sup> Board of<br/>Representatives</b> Reps. Lyons, DeLuca and Martin<br><b>10/30/03 – Committee Approved 10-0-0</b> | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b> |
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Clerk of the Board Summerville moved to amend the resolution to make it from the entire Board and to make it a Sense of the Board Resolution. The President, hearing no objections, stated that this would be the manner in which the resolution would be prepared.

**STANDING COMMITTEES**

**STEERING COMMITTEE:** Meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2003  
[\(Report\)](#) 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**  
[\(Attendance\)](#) **Annie M. Summerville, Vice Chair**  
[\(Votes\)](#) Meeting: Tuesday, October 28, 2003  
[\(Report\)](#) 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Esposito reported that the Appointments Committee met on Tuesday, October 28, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Summerville, Clear, Blackwell, Morrow, Kernan, Coppola, Mirkin, DePina and Boccuzzi. Also present were Reps. Loglisci, Zelinsky, O'Neill; Mayor Dannel P. Malloy and Donna Porschner from the Advocate.

1. [A26.112](#)      Southwestern Regional Tourism District      **HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**  
Joseph K. Kelly      *(Reappointment)*  
Marriott Hotel  
2 Stamford Forum  
Stamford, CT 06901  
Term Expires: 10/15/06  
09/20/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
**10/28/03 – Held in Committee 10-0-0**

Chair Esposito stated that the Appointments Committee would be meeting on Wednesday, immediately following the Steering Committee to interview this candidate.

2. [A26.113](#)      Director of Administration      **APPROVED  
BY MACHINE  
VOTE 27-8-0**  
Benjamin Barnes      *(Repl. Hamilton)*  
319 St. John Street  
New Haven, CT 06511  
09/20/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/28/03 – Committee Approved 7-0-3

Chair Esposito stated that Mr. Barnes was formerly the Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare. The Mayor had asked him to assume this new position. The Committee voted 7-0-3 in favor of this appointment. Chair Esposito moved the appointment; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Zelinsky stated the following:

“Mr. President and fellow representatives. Let me first say that I have nothing personal against the nominee. He is a nice, well-spoken, personable young man. At the Appointments Committee meeting, I asked Mr. Barnes if he applied for this job or if the Mayor asked him to take it. He answered, “the Mayor.” I asked Mr. Barnes how many affordable housing rental units did he personally bring to Stamford, and he answered ‘none.’ I am surprised, disappointed and shocked that the Mayor would send us a nominee for this critically important position, the Director of Administration, who is not qualified by reason of his education and work background. All the past nominees for Commissioner of Finance, or Director of Administration, as it is now called, have all had strong backgrounds in finance; most were CPA,s or at least accountants. I am quite sure that the Mayor would not ask our Board to approve a Director of Law who is not a lawyer. I received a copy of the qualifications for the Director of Administration, the resume of the former Director of Administration, Tom Hamilton. I carefully compared Mr. Barnes’ resume with Mr. Hamilton’s and the job specifications for this position. Let me share with my colleagues the comparisons between Mr. Barnes and Mr. Hamilton. Mr. Hamilton has a Bachelor of Arts degree in public administration and a Masters Degree in government administration. Mr. Barnes has a Bachelor of Arts degree in history and a Masters Degree in Urban Planning. No finance degree. Mr. Hamilton

served as chief executive officer in a town in Maine, assistant budget and systems manager, budget manager and assistant manager and then director of finance for the City of New Haven before coming to the City of Stamford.

Mr. Barnes, on the other hand, was a Section 8 coordinator, senior planner, director of government finance, planner in Florida and then Director of Public Safety, Health & Welfare.

The job specifications for the Director of Administration has a minimum training and experience required of graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, business administration or public administration and ten years or more of relevant experience, at least five of which have been in a supervisory capacity.

In our Charter, under Section C5-50-1 Duties, the Director of Administration shall be responsible for the administration, supervision and performance of all municipal functions related to, but not necessarily related to finance, tax collection and assessment, economic development and information technology. Section C5-50-2 Finance Functions. The Director of Administration shall be the chief financial officer of the City and shall perform accounting of all funds showing all financial transactions for all commissions, boards, departments, offices, agencies and other entities of the City except the Board of Education.

Also under the required skills and abilities under the Director of Administration specifications that I received from our Human Resources Department, says 'a thorough knowledge of the principles and various disciplines of municipal finance, including fund accounting, governmental budgeting, municipal debt management, governmental cash management, grants administration, property tax assessment and collection; thorough knowledge of the principles of financial reporting, payroll administration, risk management, internal control, structure, centralized purchasing and information technology.

When I asked Mr. Barnes during his interview comparing his Master's Degree in Urban Planning with Mr. Hamilton's Master's Degree in Government Administration, he said they were similar. I contacted the University of Connecticut and received the following information: UCONN's Director of Urban and Community Studies provided me with the following explanation: Urban Planning is a planning degree, focused on the design of urban space including transportation, strong on geography and architecture but also social science theory and knowledge related to urban development. Nothing about finances. ON the other hand, public administration focuses on the management of public organizations, including non-profits and how administrative decisions and policy choices affect public life.

If an individual with Mr. Barnes' education and work experience would apply for a chief financial officer position in the corporate world, he would not even get an

interview. If this position were a classified civil service position, Mr. Stover, our Human Resources Director, would not even allow him to take the test. Finally, Mr. Barnes states in his resume that he prepares the operating and capital budgets. But chiefs and deputy chiefs of the police and fire departments actually prepare their operating and capital budgets. Then the budget goes to the police and fire commissions, and last to the Director of Public Safety, simply for review.

As a representative, I worked with Tom Hamilton, and Mr. Barnes is no Tom Hamilton. This is a very difficult position to take, not being able to support the Mayor's choice for this critically financial position. I have always supported qualified cabinet officials since being on this Board. The Mayor said on election day that he admired and respected Susan Nable, a Board of Education candidate, for her vote against the superintendent of schools, that it was not a popular decision, but she voted her conviction. I hope the Mayor will respect my decision not to vote for this nominee.

It would be an insult to our taxpayers and residents to appoint someone to the high financial position of chief financial officer, who is not qualified. Especially, after 9-11, sound financial decisions are crucial. I would remind my colleagues that we are not going to confirm a volunteer to a City board or commission, but to a high-paying financial position. I am asking my colleagues, even though the Mayor wants this individual, to carefully think about voting for someone who is not qualified. This is not an easy task for me or for you, but I strongly and sincerely believe that the right decision is to vote no. Thank you."

Chair Esposito stated that he would like to comment on Mr. Zelinsky's speech. Chair Esposito stated that this is a management position, and Mr. Barnes has demonstrated that he has management skills. He has shown commendable work for the City of Stamford. He has a clear, documented, well-rounded education background. He may not have a degree in public finance, but he has a degree from Swarthmore and NYU, two of the top fifty colleges in the United States. A college education prepares you for the general ability to be a critical thinker and to evaluate, and Mr. Barnes has demonstrated that. So, Mr. Barnes has the capabilities and skills that are needed for this particular position.

Chair Esposito stated that he pointed out that Mr. Zelinsky voted for Mr. Barnes the first time around for the Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare. To his knowledge, Mr. Barnes is not a policeman, not a doctor and not a social worker. Yet, he has done a very commendable job in that position. Chair Esposito stated he is certain Mr. Zelinsky also voted for Mr. Curtin as Director of Operations. Mr. Curtin is a former FBI agent, and that doesn't have a lot to do with garbage and trash collection or parks and recreation. This Board voted for Mr. Curtin because it knew he was capable and skilled in running a department and in administering the people in the department who know how to do those things. The Board is voting for Mr. Barnes tonight to oversee a department with experts in all the things that Mr. Zelinsky mentioned.

Chair Esposito stated that the question really comes down to whether Mr. Barnes can manage the office, and whether he has the people skills to deal with the various personalities in the office. Mr. Barnes has demonstrated that in his prior positions, and Mr. Esposito asked for support for Mr. Barnes.

Rep. Lyons stated that having been chair of Public Safety, Health & Welfare, in working with Director Barnes, he came in with a cloud of doubt over his head, but time and time again he proved himself. He undertook some initiatives that were stalled in that Department, but he moved them forward very professionally, very adequately and was very responsive. Rep. Lyons stated he sees no reason why he would not do the same in the capacity as Director of Administration. Further, Mr. Lyons stated that over the last month as Mr. Barnes has appeared before the Fiscal Committee, he has been nothing short of professional, prepared and detailed. He knows the subject matter and the issues.

Rep. Lyons stated that despite what Rep. Zelinsky is trying to pull here tonight that Rep. Lyons has not seen Rep. Zelinsky at a Fiscal Committee meeting in the last five years and he doesn't feel he is qualified to speak whether Director Hamilton was any better than Director Barnes.

Rep. Boccuzzi stated that this is not a civil service position. Rep. Boccuzzi stated he respects Mr. Zelinsky's position regarding the qualifications, but as far as he is concerned, that is only his opinion. On the WPCA, Mr. Boccuzzi added, Mr. Barnes has attended the meetings and his help has been A-1. The last bonds floated by the WPCA were issued at the exact right time, and Mr. Barnes was an integral part of this successful bond offering. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that this probably saved between \$18,000 and \$20,000 per year. Rep. Boccuzzi stated that comparing Mr. Barnes and Mr. Hamilton is futile, and Mr. Barnes will work with this Board well on all fiscal matters. Mr. Boccuzzi urged all board members to approve Mr. Barnes.

Rep. O'Neill stated that Ben Barnes has proved himself to be a man of great intellect and integrity, whose addition to the City of Stamford has been a welcome one, and he encourages the Board to approve the nomination.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that regarding the comment made about his qualifications as being able to vote yes or no, he doesn't believe that whether or not he attended a Fiscal Committee meeting over the last five years has any bearing or has any influence on the way he is going to vote. He is voting on the issue, which is very simple, an individual who based on the job description, the charter which specifically requires a person with a financial degree, and based on those qualifications, he does not have the qualifications.

Mr. Zelinsky stated we are not going to vote on whether he has done other jobs well or if he is a nice guy, we are voting for the Chief Financial Officer.

Rep. Figueroa stated she is very sorry that Mr. Zelinsky has taken this position on the Mayor's decision to appoint Mr. Barnes. Rep. Figueroa stated that according to Mr. Zelinsky, Mr. Barnes does not have the qualifications but he does have the experience. Rep. Figueroa stated that the Mayor would not recommend Mr. Barnes if he couldn't do the job, and she feels that it is embarrassing for the party to have a member of the Democratic Caucus come out against this appointment.

Rep. Hunter stated that Newton did not have any degrees in physics, and yet he wrote down the laws of physics that govern us today. Thomas Edison did not have an electrical engineering but invented thousands of electrical inventions, and Bill Gates dropped out of college. The fact that these people did not have college degrees does not disqualify them from their achievements. The Mayor has had the benefit of working with Mr. Barnes for four years, and he is familiar with his qualifications. Mr. Hunter stated he doubts very much that the Mayor would have picked someone who he thought could not do the job, and therefore he endorses Mr. Barnes.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. A26.113 was approved by a machine vote of 27-8-0 (See [Vote Record No. 440.](#)) (Reps. Coppola, DeLuca, Greenberg, Imbrogno, McDermott, Mirkin, Pavia and Zelinsky opposed.)

3. <a href="#">A26.114</a>	<u>Director of Public Safety, Health &amp; Welfare</u> William S. Callion, Jr. <i>(Repl. Barnes)</i> 47 Ledge Brook Stamford, CT 06903 09/20/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy <b>10/28/03 – Committee Approved 10-0-0</b>	<b>APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE 34-1-0</b>
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Chair Esposito moved the appointment of Mr. Callion; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Mirkin stated that he did vote for Mr. Callion in Committee, and he will vote for him this evening. Rep. Mirkin stated that the Mayor, while choosing not to conduct a broad search, has in his opinion done a disservice to both Mr. Barnes and Mr. Callion because the question will remain as to whether the City is bringing in the best talent.

Mr. Mirkin stated that during the recent budget deliberations, on a bipartisan basis, the Committee voted to reduce a line item for salary increases for the Mayor's Cabinet and other city officials. The Fiscal Committee reduced the 4% increase to 1%. Although the impact on the total budget may be insignificant, its symbolism is not. On the other hand, the Mayor has offered extraordinary salary increases to Mr. Barnes of 16% and to Mr. Callion of 13% over their predecessors.

Mr. Mirkin stated that Stamford taxpayers are not interested in salary ranges, nor are they interested in how much taxes have increased in surrounding towns. The Mayor's decision to offer a generous salary increase to both candidates is a poke in the eye to Stamford taxpayers, and the Mayor squandered an opportunity to demonstrate that he is in touch with the residents of Stamford and is sensitive to the recent 10% increase in property tax increases this year and a 22% increase in automobile taxes over the last two years. Mr. Mirkin added that the unions are probably watching this, and they will keep these increases in mind as they begin to negotiate with the City.

Rep. Coppola stated that he completely agrees with Mr. Mirkin's comments. He voted for Mr. Callion in Committee and he let his feelings be known in Committee that he voted for him under great protest, and he is doing the same tonight. He believes the salary is, at the very least, an insensitive act on the part of the administration.

Rep. O'Neill stated that there is a salary increase in bringing Mr. Callion to the City, but he also realizes that bringing Mr. Callion to the City is a wonderful opportunity to the City. Mr. Callion is a man of compassion and experience and brings great fiscal experience to the City; he is one of the finest human beings he has ever met. He believes that his interaction with the community is going to be a benefit to us all.

Rep. Pavia stated that it is the Mayor's prerogative to appoint whomever he wants, and this Board must trust the Mayor's decision in these cases, because a cabinet person is either going to assist or disappoint the mayor in his efforts. However, as with Mr. Barnes' appointment, he will vote no. He would vote yes for both, if it was not for the serious increase in salary. It was too much too quickly. Although it only totals \$11,000, it is a message that is being sent out.

Rep. Pavia said that last Tuesday he campaigned in front of Davenport Ridge School, and the message heard is consider the taxpayer, look at our spending. This salary increase sends the wrong message, especially in the City's deliberations with other contracts.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, Item No. A26.113 was approved by a machine vote of 34-1-0 (See [Vote Record No. 440.](#)) (Rep. Pavia opposed.)

#### **COMMUNICATION:**

Clerk of the Board Summerville read a letter from Mr. William Callion (a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hererof), wherein he resigned from the Board of Finance.

Rep. Boccuzzi moved to suspend the rules; said motion was seconded. And approved by unanimous voice vote.

Rep. Boccuzzi nominated Michael E. Pollard, upon the recommendation of Mr. Callion. His resume was sent out to all Board members, and he has confirmed Mr. Pollard's party affiliation. Mr. Pollard appears to be very knowledgeable and everyone has a copy of his resume. Said motion was seconded by Rep. Lyons. Rep. DeLuca moved to close the nominations; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote. A motion to approve Mr. Pollard for appointment to the Board of Finance was made and seconded; said motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. President Martin administered the oath of office to Mr. Pollard.

**FISCAL COMMITTEE:**      **Randall Skigen, Chair**  
(Attendance)                      **Linda Cannady, Vice Chair**  
(Votes)                              Meeting: Monday, October 27, 2003  
(Report)                              7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Cannady reported that the Fiscal Committee met on Monday, October 27, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Skigen, Cannady, Loglisci, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Giordano, Lyons and Mirkin; also present were Reps. Day and McCullen as well as members of the Board of Education budget committee and members of the Education Committee.

1. F26.262	REVIEW; Board of Education revised budget format. 10/02/03 – Submitted by Randy Skigen <b>10/27/03 – Report Made</b>	<b>REPORT MADE</b>
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*Co-Committees: Education & Education Budget*

Vice Chair Cannady stated that members of the joint committee coordinated by the SPEF, including members of the Board of Education, discussed the proposed changes to the budget format. A number of suggestions were made for improvement, which the Board of Education Fiscal Committee will take under advisement.

2. F26.259	REVIEW; of Board of Education's fund-raising efforts and status of allocation of funds raised. 10/02/03 – Submitted by Reps. DeLuca and Martin <b>10/27/03 – Report Made</b>	<b>HELD IN COMMITTEE</b>
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3. [F26.268](#) \$477,771.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Universal Hiring Grant from U.S. Dept. of Justice; to hire 7 police officers; \$210,000 grant funds; \$267,771 City funds.  
10/09/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*

*Approved 10-0-0*

4. [F26.269](#) \$267,771.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Universal Hiring Grant from U.S. Dept. of Justice; to hire 7 police officers; \$210,000 grant funds; \$267,771 City funds.  
10/09/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*

*Approved 10-0-0*

5. [F26.264](#) \$42,919.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Connecting with KYDS; funds fourth year of grant; funds part of the salary of an existing Board of Education employee.  
09/30/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Education*

6. [F26.265](#) \$26.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Health Risk Reduction Grant; to bring account up to state-approved budgeted amount.  
09/26/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

7. [F26.266](#) \$106.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); WIC Farmer's Market; to align account with state-approved grant amount.  
09/26/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

**APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

8. [F26.267](#) GRANT RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreement with the State of CT for funding assistance in the renovation of the Glenbrook Community Center; amount of grant: \$1,000,000.  
09/26/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0** **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**
9. [F26.255](#) \$1,000,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Engineering; Glenbrook Community Center; improvements to the dormers, flooring, masonry, acoustical ceilings, doors, windows and kitchen and baths; funded by State grant funds.  
09/17/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
09/30/03 – Approved by Planning Board  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0** **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**

*Secondary Committee: Operations*

10. [F26.257](#) \$7,925,144.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Operations, Engineering; Stamford Urban Transitway; construction of new 4-lane roadway.  
09/17/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
09/30/03 – Approved by Planning Board  
10/09/03 - Approved by Board of Finance  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 8-0-1** **APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE (24-10-1)**

*Secondary Committee: Land Use/Urban Redevelopment* **Concur 3-1-2**

Vice Chair Cannady stated that the Committee questioned the Engineering Bureau regarding this item, and the Committee approved it 8-0-1. Vice Chair Cannady moved to approve Item No. F26.257; said motion was seconded.

Rep. White stated that originally this started off as a simple project to take care of some traffic problems south of the railroad station, and originally called the Dock Street Connector. It is now becoming like another I-95, a four-lane roadway. This is taking quite a bit of property, creating a traffic-choked high speed artery, and that now this project will be expanded to include Myrtle Avenue up to East Main Street, and will require East Main Street to be widened. This will lead to the destruction of East Side neighborhoods. He added that this project is growing like a cancer.

The motion was approved by a machine vote of 24-10-1 (See [Vote Record No. 442](#)). (Reps. Browne, Coppola, Greenberg, Imbrogno, Kernan, Loglisci, McDermott, Molgano, Pavia and White opposed; Rep. Fahan abstaining.)

11. [F26.263](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); **APPROVED**  
\$247,827.00      Land Use Bureau; Waterside Village Streetscape **ON CONSENT**  
Improvements; to improve gateway to Waterside **AGENDA**  
community and include roadway realignment,  
intersection capacity modifications and  
streetscape enhancements.  
09/30/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
10/21/03 – Approved by Planning Board  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 8-0-1**

*Secondary Committee: Land Use/Urban Redevelopment*      *Concur 2-1-3*

12. [F26.256](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating **APPROVED**  
\$115,000.00      Budget); Stamford Emergency Services; **ON CONSENT**  
Contracted Services; to cover the increase in **AGENDA**  
contractual cost of the recent agreement between  
the City of Stamford and SEMS.  
09/17/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
**10/27/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*      *Concur 10-0-0*

13. F26.261      REVIEW; first quarter financial results and **HELD IN**  
transfers report. **COMMITTEE**  
10/02/03 – Submitted by Randy Skigen  
**10/27/03 – Held in Committee**

14. F26.260      REVIEW; 2002-03 CAFR Report (audited financial **REPORT**  
statements). **MADE**  
10/02/03 – Submitted by Rep. Skigen  
**10/27/03 – Report Made**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 3 through 9, 11 and 12, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE:**

[\(Attendance\)](#)

[\(Votes\)](#)

[\(Report\)](#)

**Maria C. Nakian, Chair**

**Jim Shapiro, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Monday, October 20, 2003

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Nakian reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on Monday, October 20, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Nakian, Greenberg, Esposito, Mitchell, Nowakowski, Shapiro, Spadow, Zelinsky and Browne present. Also present were Thomas Cassone, Michael Freimuth, William Forker, Ellen Bromley and Gloria Blick.

1. [LR26.028](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for publication**; **APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA**  
concerning publishing a summary form of ordinances prior to a public hearing.  
05/03/03 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville & Rep. Nakian  
05/19/03 – No Quorum  
06/23/03 – Committee Held 9-0-0  
07/21/03 – Held in Committee  
08/04/03 – Held in Committee  
08/11/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda  
09/22/03 – No Action Taken  
**10/20/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**
  
2. [LR26.038](#) RESOLUTION; extending the Enterprise Zone legislation. **APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE (33-1-0)**  
10/08/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
**10/20/03 – Committee approved 9-0-0**

Chair Nakian stated that the Enterprise Zone was created by ordinance with a ten-year life span. It is set to expire on 12/31/03 unless the Board extends it, which it can do by resolution. The typical life span of an Enterprise Zone is twenty years; therefore, the new Director recommended a ten-year extension. Mr. Freimuth also stated that he would like to revisit the ordinance and perhaps make some amendments. The Committee discussed a lot of the issues, whether it was successful and how it works, and he has provided us with information on the Enterprise Zone. The Committee proposed that the life of the Enterprise Zone be extended for five years, with the understanding that when he comes back with amendments to the Ordinance the Committee can extend it for the additional five years.

Chair Nakian moved Item No. LR26.038 for a five-year extension; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Greenberg stated that he is concerned that the night of the Committee meeting there was not a comprehensive report on who benefits. Also, the entire program does not end on 12/31/03; any company that is under the current program will continue under the program. Rep. Greenberg stated he is not against the resolution, but feels that it needs further study. The companies that are benefiting from this tax relief, it includes Phillip Morris, Gartner Group and UBS. Rep. Greenberg stated that this is a very important issue, and he moved to

amend the motion to extend the Enterprise Zone for a period of one year; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Browne stated that he supports the amendment for one year. First, the Committee didn't have statistics and second the statute is going to be revised. Rep. Browne stated that Stamford put the ten-year sunset in because it wanted this Board to review this legislation carefully. He feels that it is unfair to bring it at this late date. He will support the one-year extension, especially because no one is losing any benefits.

Rep. Summerville took over as Acting President at this time.

Rep. Shapiro stated that Rep. Greenberg's proposal is well thought, but it could have unintended consequences. He would also like to have better data that shows the costs and benefits, but one of the benefits is clear – it helps Stamford attract business. A one-year term versus a five-year term sends the wrong message; we are losing businesses on a daily basis to other Connecticut towns, to White Plains and to Westchester. Business is the engine that drives this city; it provides jobs, countless dollars to charitable organizations. Connecticut towns without business look like Bridgeport, and we don't want to go down that road. While the intention is good, the Board should send the right message and that is that business is welcome in our community and we are serious about this.

Chair Nakian stated she agrees with Rep. Shapiro; the last thing we want to do is send a message that this program is in jeopardy and that we are only grudgingly extending it for one year. It is true that the benefits will continue, but we were told that there were a half a dozen businesses that are in the pipeline, and this could make a difference if they think there is a one-year extension. Rep. Nakian stated that we have more to lose by making it one year than by extending it by five years. The Board always has the option of repealing the legislation in total. While there may be some problems with the ordinance, the City is continuing to attract businesses by making use of the Enterprise Zone.

Chair Nakian stated she believes Mr. Freimuth will come in as promised, and we don't have to hold his feet to the fire.

Rep. Lyons stated that this item may help to increase businesses to help shift the burden from personal taxpayers to commercial taxpayers, but we are shortsighted in only wanting to add a 12 month extension to the program. Rep. Lyons finds it somewhat duplicitous, and after we just entered a city-wide campaign season of tax increases, revaluation and commercial vacancies, and say that what is good enough for our neighbors is not good enough for us. The Committee said it would take a comprehensive review of it, the ordinance can be repealed, and we should not be shortsighted and we should vote for it tonight.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he suggested the ten year to five year renewal. He added that he is in agreement with Mr. Greenberg's one year renewal. We are in very precarious economic times and the future is uncertain, and we should not have any detrimental impact on business. Mr. Zelinsky stated that we are probably not sending the wrong message because if we didn't want the program it all, we wouldn't extend it at all. This is sending a message that we want to proceed with caution.

Rep. Molgano stated that the Board should put pressure on state representatives to redo the formula. The formula for 20% for USB, they can afford to pay more, and we should not put this burden on the residents of the City. He is supportive of the one-year extension.

Rep. Cannady stated that she was on the Board of the Enterprise Zone, and the Zone provides tremendous benefits and there is substantial information on the benefits. Rep. Cannady is supportive of the five-year renewal.

Rep. Loglisci stated that there is re-thinking of cities statewide as to Enterprise Zones, and we should look at job growth, what types of businesses have benefited, where is the tax revenue increase for the City if so much is lost, and what type of support do the cities get from the State. Finally, Rep. Loglisci stated that there is no proof that we would lose jobs if we voted for a one-year extension. Rep. Loglisci stated he will vote against a five-year extension.

Rep. Boccuzzi stated that one year is very short for a corporation to go through the process to build or relocate to Stamford. Companies would be concerned with only a one-year extension. He feels that companies may avoid Stamford altogether.

Rep. Mirkin stated that everyone wants to bring business to the City, and the fact that this ordinance can be changed at any time. His support for the one-year extension is to have the administration come back to the Board with a more detailed report. Rep. Mirkin stated that he will be voting in favor of the one-year extension.

Rep. Greenberg stated that if we extend this for a one-year period, everyone currently in the program is still in the program, and also anyone brought in within the next year is in for a five-year period of time. Companies that locate in the Enterprise Zone only pay 20% of their tax; the City of Stamford picks up 40% of their tax – a direct burden shift to the taxpayer; the State of Connecticut picks up the other 40%. Companies such as Citicorp and UBS take advantage of this. If you think that the formula is fair that the City pays 40% of those taxes for jobs that are created (and we are not sure if those jobs are for local city residents or people coming down I-95). Rep. Greenberg stated this needs to be studied, and a one-year extension sends a message that we are serious.

President Martin returned to chair the meeting.

Rep. Mitchell stated that she understands that the Enterprise Zone needs to be reviewed in more detail, but one year is not enough time.

Rep. White stated that he was on the Board ten years ago, and at that time he felt it was too much of a zone, and he is still concerned that there are a lot of nonconforming uses, especially housing, and there is quite a lot of land speculation going on there. He doesn't know what the changes they are proposing are, and he wonders what kind of benefit this zone is. Rep. White stated that the chances of any repeal are virtually nil. He voted against the Zone ten years ago, and he will vote against the five-year extension now.

Chair Nakian stated that it is true that the companies pay 20%, the State and the City pay 40%. In 2002, even with the 40% the City is not collecting, the City still had a net gain of approximately \$2.4 million added to its revenue. So, it is benefiting the City, and as the five-year tax abatements expire, more money is brought in. Personal property tax is not exempt, and she assumes that is included in the \$2.4 million. Even if employees don't live in Stamford, they eat in Stamford, they shop in Stamford and spend the better part of the day in Stamford. They add to the vitality of the City. There were 6,400 jobs added to the Stamford work force, which is an impressive figure. Overall, Chair Nakian feels it is a benefit.

Rep. Lyons stated that from 2002 on, there was a net gain of 1,400 jobs and in excess of 650,000 square feet; from 2001 on, there was a net gain of 2,000 jobs and 1.5 million square feet in the Enterprise Zone itself. This does not include the Entertainment District. Rep. Lyons stated that a 12-month extension may scare off some businesses.

The amendment failed by a machine vote of 15-18-1 (See [Vote Record No. 443.](#)) (Reps. Benyus, Browne, Coppola, DeLuca, Fedeli, Greenberg, Imbrogno, Loglisci, McDermott, Mirkin, Molgano, O'Neill, Pavia, White and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Summerville abstaining.)

The Republican Caucus took a 10 minute break at this time.

The meeting was called to order at 10:56 p.m.

The main motion was approved by a machine vote of 33-1-0 (See [Vote Record No. 444.](#))

3. LR26.032 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; providing for a tax relief program for veterans.  
07/09/03 – Submitted by Reps. Boccuzzi, DeLuca & Zelinsky  
07/21/03 – Held in Committee

**HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

08/04/03 – Held in Committee  
08/25/03 – Held in Committee  
09/22/03 – Report Made  
**10/20/03 – Held in Committee**

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| 4. LR26.036 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; revising the Ethics Ordinance.<br>07/26/03 – Submitted by Jim Rubino<br>08/11/03 – Moved to Pending Agenda<br><b>10/20/03 – Held in Committee 9-0-0</b>  | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b> |
| 5. LR26.039 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; revising the Purchasing Ordinance.<br>07/26/03 – Submitted by Jim Rubino<br><b>10/20/03 – Held in Committee 9-0-0</b>  | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b> |
| 6. LR26.033 | REVIEW; effectiveness of combining the Commission on Aging and the Social Services Commission; possible amendments to Chapter 6, Article II of the Code of Ordinances.<br>06/23/03 – Submitted by Rep. Nakian<br>07/21/03 – Held in Committee<br>08/04/03 – Held in Committee<br>08/11/03 – Moved to Pending Agenda<br><b>10/20/03 – Held in Committee</b> | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b> |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:** **Sanchia Spandow, Co-Chair**  
(Attendance) **Mary Lisa Fedeli, Co-Chair**  
(Votes) Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2003  
(Report) 7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Clerk of the Board Summerville reported that Reps. Hunter, Mirkin and McCullen had left the meeting.

**Suspension of Rules:**

A motion to suspend the rules was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Committee reported that it suspended its rules by a vote of 7-0-0 to take up the following item not on the agenda.

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| <p>1. P26.050 REJECTION; of a proposed labor contract between the Board of Education and the Employees Association, Security and Community Liaison Employees.<br/>10/16/03 - Submitted by John Chardavoyne<br/>11/06/03 – Committee voted not to reject 0-7-0</p> | <p><b>REJECTED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b></p> |
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Co-Chair Fedeli moved Item No. P26.050. Said motion was seconded and rejected by unanimous voice vote.

**LAND USE/URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

(Attendance)

**Patrick J. White, Co-Chair**

(Votes)

**Harry Day, Co-Chair**

(Report)

Meeting: Wednesday, October 29, 2003

7:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Co-Chair White reported that the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee met on October 29, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. White, Greenberg, Loglisci, Nakian, Shapiro and Day. Reps. Benyus, Boccuzzi, Spandow and Summerville were excused.

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| <p>1. <u>LU26.036</u> PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <b><u>for publication</u></b>;<br/>amending Section 8-2 of the Demolition Ordinance<br/>(requirements for older buildings).<br/>09/18/02 – Submitted by Rep. O’Neill<br/>06/30/03 – Report Made<br/>07/28/03 – Report Made<br/>08/04/03 – Report Made<br/>08/27/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0<br/>10/01/03 – Held in Committee 8-0-0<br/>10/29/03 – Held in Committee 6-0-0</p> | <p><b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b></p> |
| <p>2. LU26.046 REVIEW; update on URC and Mill River Corridor Project.<br/>09/15/03 – Submitted by Reps. Shapiro and Day<br/>10/29/03 – Held in Committee 6-0-0</p>   | <p><b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b></p> |
| <p>3. <u>LU26.039</u> REVIEW; of the Code of Ordinances, Section 227, Tree Ordinance.<br/>07/10/03 – Submitted by Rep. White<br/>07/28/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0<br/>08/04/03 – Held in Committee<br/>08/27/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0<br/>10/01/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0<br/>10/29/03 – Held in Committee 6-0-0</p>  | <p><b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b></p> |

4. LU26.041 REVIEW; of the placement of outdoor for profit clothing donation bins in shopping centers and parking lots. Should special signage or zoning be necessary so as not to confuse these drop off bins with non-profit drop off centers?  
 08/07/03 – Submitted by Rep. O’Neill  
 08/27/03 – Held in Committee  
 10/01/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0  
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- HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**      **John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Co-Chair**  
(Attendance)                              **Anthony Imbrogno, Co-Chair**  
(Votes)                                      Meeting: Wednesday, October 22, 2003  
(Report)                                      7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Co-Chair Zelinsky stated that the Operations Committee met on October 22, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Zelinsky, Imbrogno, Coppola, Fahan, McDermott, O’Neill, Pavia and White. Absent were Reps. Day, Adams and Hunter. Also present were Reps. DeLuca and Mirkin.

1. O26.042      PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for FINAL ADOPTION & PUBLIC HEARING**; amending Chapter 164-3 Definitions and Chapter 164-5 Noise Levels  
 07/14/03 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky  
 08/20/03 – Committee approved 5-1-0  
 09/02/03 – Held in Committee  
 09/24/03 – Committee Approved 6-1-0  
 10/07/03 – Approved for publication  
 10/22/03 – Committee Approved 6-1-0
- APPROVED  
BY MACHINE  
VOTE (28-2-1)**

Co-Chair Zelinsky stated that a public hearing was held. Co-Chair Zelinsky moved Item No. O26.042; said motion was made and seconded and approved by a machine vote of 28-2-1 (See Vote Record No. 445.) (Reps. Lyons and McDermott opposed; Rep. Kernan abstaining.)

2. O26.046      APPROVAL; of an agreement with Fuss & O’Neill, Inc. for engineering services for Greenwich Avenue Corridor Improvements.  
 09/29/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
 10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance  
 10/22/03 – Committee Approved 7-0-0
- APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**

3. O26.047      REVIEW; status of Sewage Treatment Plant
- HELD IN**

construction.  
10/06/03 – Submitted by Reps. Martin and DeLuca  
10/22/03 – Held in Committee

**COMMITTEE**

4. O26.048 REVIEW; specifications regarding the remediation plan for Kosciuszko Park including health status, remediation actions, timeline, costs and use of outside vendors.  
10/06/03 – Submitted by Reps. Mirkin and DeLuca  
10/22/03 – Held in Committee

**HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

*Secondary Committee: Parks & Recreation*

5. O26.040 REVIEW; status of Norwalk Transit District's operation of the former Dial-a-Ride service and rides for non-disabled seniors for medical services.  
07/08/03 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky  
08/20/03 – No Report  
09/08/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda  
10/22/03 – Report Made

**REPORT  
MADE**

6. O26.038 REVIEW; residential trash pickup to include expanding services to District C.  
06/02/03 – Submitted by Rep. Mirkin  
07/14/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda  
08/20/03 – Held in Committee  
09/08/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda  
10/22/03 – Report Made

**HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

7. O26.044 REVIEW; of installation of sewer line/private lateral line into North Stamford.  
08/06/03 – Submitted by Rep. Skigen  
08/20/03 – Report Made  
09/02/03 – Held in Committee  
09/24/03 – Held in Committee  
10/22/03 – Held in Committee

**HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 2, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE:**

(Attendance)

(Votes)

(Report)

**Richard Lyons II, Chair**

**Gail Clear, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Thursday, October 30, 2003

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Lyons reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met on October 30, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Lyons, Adams, Blackwell, Clear, Coppola, DeLuca, DePina, Kernan, Loglisci, Mirkin and Zelinsky; Rep. DePina was absent. Rep. Imbrogno was also present.

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| 1. PS26.039        | MEETING; with Dr. Lee, Director of Health & Human Services.<br>09/04/04 – Submitted by Rep. Lyons<br>10/30/03 – Report Made  | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b>                    |
| 2. <u>PS26.040</u> | APPROVAL; of agreement with HME, Incorporated; for purchase of Class A Fire Department Pumpers.<br>09/10/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy<br>10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>10/30/03 – Committee Approved 10-0-0 | <b>APPROVED<br/>ON CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> |
| 3. PS26.027        | REVIEW; of day laborers' pick up location and complaints from neighboring businesses.<br>04/01/03 – Submitted by Rep. Imbrogno<br>06/09/02 – Withdrawn<br>10/09/03 – Resubmitted by Rep. Imbrogno<br>10/30/03 – Report Made          | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b>                    |

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 2, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**PARKS & RECREATION  
COMMITTEE:**

(Attendance)

(Votes)

(Report)

**Linda Cannady, Co-Chair**

**Steve McDermott, Co-Chair**

Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2003

7:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Co-Chair McDermott reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on October 21, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. McDermott, Cannady, Fedeli, Giordano, Lyons, Clear, Imbrogno, McCullen, Morrow and White. Also present was Rep. O'Neill.

1. [PR26.046](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; **for publication**; **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
 creating a Harbor Management Commission as defined and authorized under Connecticut General Statutes.  
 05/07/03 – Submitted by Rep. Lyons  
 05/20/03 – Held in Committee 7-0-0  
 06/24/03 – Held in Committee 6-0-0  
 07/22/03 – Report Made  
 08/04/03 – Report Made  
 08/19/03 – Committee Approved 7-1-0 (for publication)  
 09/02/03 – Report Made  
 09/23/03 – Committee approved 7-2-0  
 10/21/03 – Held in Committee 9-0-0
2. PR26.054 MATTER; of the closing hours at Hatchfield Park **REPORT MADE**  
 09/22/03 – Submitted by Reps. DePina, McCullen and Summerville  
 10/21/03 – Report Made

Co-Chair McDermott stated that a report has been provided to all representatives.

3. PR26.055 REVIEW; of proposed maintenance policies for school and city playing fields. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**  
 01/10/03 – Submitted by Rep. Hunter  
 01/21/03 – Report Made  
 02/25/03 – Report Made  
 03/07/03 – Report Made  
 04/07/03 – Report Made  
 05/05/03 – Report Made  
 07/22/03 – Held in Committee  
 08/04/03 – Held in Committee  
 08/11/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda  
 09/17/03 – Report Made  
 10/21/03 – No action taken

The document is not ready so no action was taken on Item No. PR26.055.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** **Thomas Hunter, Co-Chair**  
**Brian O’Neill, Co-Chair**  
 Meeting: Wednesday, October 28, 2003  
 7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Co-Chair O'Neill reported that the Education Committee met on October 28, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. O'Neill, Mitchell, McCullen, Molgano and Day.

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| 1. E26.010 | APPROVAL; of agreement with Fletcher-Thompson for architectural/engineering design services for kitchen addition and cafeteria renovation at Stamford High School.<br>09/10/03 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy<br>10/09/03 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>10/28/03 – Approved by Committee 5-0-0  | <b>APPROVED<br/>ON CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> |
| 2. E26.008 | REVIEW; of outside personnel and consultants employed by the Board of Education and funded by special education accounts.<br>05/07/03 – Submitted by Rep. O'Neill<br>05/21/03 – Report Made<br>07/22/03 – Held in Committee<br>08/04/03 – Held in Committee<br>08/11/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda<br>09/17/03 – No Action Taken<br>10/28/03 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b>                    |

Co-Chair O'Neill reported that a report has been provided to all representatives.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1, was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**STATE AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE:** **Jim Shapiro, Chair**  
(Attendance) **John Morrow, Vice Chair**  
Meeting: Thursday, October 30, 2003  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Shapiro reported that the State & Commerce met on October 30, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. Shapiro, Morrow, Nakian, Esposito, Greenberg and Day.

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| 1. SC26.003<br><u>(Site Visit Report)</u> | REVIEW; state and regional policies regarding Indian Point Nuclear Facility in Buchanan, New York.<br>05/07/03 – Submitted by President Martin & Rep. Shapiro<br>07/02/03 – Report Made<br>08/21/03 – Report Made<br>10/07/03 – Report Made<br>10/30/03 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b> |
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*Secondary Committee: Public Safety & Health*

Chair Shapiro stated a discussion was held that will result in a resolution at our next meeting.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/**

**SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

(Attendance)

(Votes)

**Elaine Mitchell, Chair**

**Philip Giordano, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2003

6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met on October 21, 2003.

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| 1. HCD26.014 | REVIEW; of the policies for administration of the HOME Program.<br>05/12/03 – Submitted by Reps. Summerville & Mitchell<br>05/20/03 – Report Made<br>08/11/03 – Held in Steering Committee<br>09/16/03 – Report Made<br>10/21/03 – Held in Committee   | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b>                     |
| 2. HCD26.018 | RESOLUTION; approving modifications to the loan terms of the Lead Hazard Control Program.<br>07/10/03 – Submitted by Tim Beeble<br>08/11/03 – Held in Steering Committee<br>09/16/03 – Committee approved 6-0-0<br>10/21/03 – Committee approved 7-0-0 | <b>APPROVED<br/>BY MACHINE<br/>VOTE (26-3-0)</b> |

Chair Mitchell moved Item No. HCD26.018; said motion was seconded. Chair Mitchell stated that the Lead Hazard Control Program requires a minimum of 3 years of rent affordable to all assisted units. The Committee agreed to modify the terms of the Program by lowering the terms of affordability from 15 years to 5 years. The purpose is to get more landowners to participate in the program. This does not affect the terms of the loan to pay back the Community Development Office.

Rep. Adams stated that he feels the City of Stamford should offer more affordability for the dollars that it is spending. Also, the amount of funds forgiven for a five-year term is too much in view of the years of affordability.

The motion was approved by a machine vote of 26-3-0 (See [Vote Record No. 446](#)). (Reps. Adams, Cannady and Pavia opposed.)

3. HCD26.017      REVIEW; of lead safe home program.      **REPORT  
MADE & HELD  
IN COMMITTEE**  
06/03/03 – Submitted by Tim Beeble  
08/11/03 – Held in Steering Committee  
09/16/03 – Report Made  
10/21/03 – Report Made

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**      **Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair**  
*(Attendance)*      **John Fahan, Vice Chair**  
*(Report)*      Meeting: Thursday, October 23, 2003  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair DeLuca reported that the Transportation Committee met on October 23, 2003. Present were Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Fahan, Mirkin, Giordano and Blackwell. Also present was Rep. Greenberg.

1. T26.021      REVIEW; matter of pedestrian safety and the      **REPORT  
MADE**  
Transportation Center.  
11/12/02 – Submitted by Rep. Greenberg  
11/21/02 – Report Made  
12/02/02 – Report Made  
10/08/03 – Resubmitted by Rep. Greenberg  
10/23/03 – Report Made

Chair DeLuca stated that thanks to the efforts of Rep. Greenberg, the safety issues will be corrected by year end.

### **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**CHARTER COMMITTEE:**      **Maria Nakian, Co-Chair**  
   **Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Co-Chair**

**EDUCATION BUDGET COMMITTEE:**      **Randall Skigen, Chair**  
*(Attendance)*      Meeting: Monday, October 27, 2003  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room  
*(with Fiscal Committee)*

No report.

1. SB26.002      REVIEW; establishment of new format for Board      **REPORT  
MADE**  
of Education budget.  
05/07/03 – Submitted by Rep. Lyons

05/21/03 – Report Made  
06/30/03 – Report Made  
08/04/03 – Report Made  
09/08/03 – Held in Steering Committee  
10/27/03 – Report Made

*Co-Committees: Fiscal and Education*

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| 2. SB26.008 | REVIEW; status of Board of Education Budget.<br>09/09/02 – Submitted by Rep. Skigen<br>10/07/02 – Report Made<br>12/02/02 – Report Made<br>01/27/03 – Report Made<br>06/30/03 – Report Made<br>08/04/03 – Report Made<br>08/11/03 – Placed on Pending Agenda<br>10/27/03 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b> |
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*Co-Committees: Fiscal and Education*

## RESOLUTIONS

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| 1. | <u>SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION</u> ; honoring Stamford's 12 Year Old Little League Champions.<br>10/08/03 – Submitted by President Martin & Rep. Zelinsky | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b> |
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## MINUTES

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| 1. | <u>October 7, 2003 Regular Board Meeting</u> | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b> |
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## COMMUNICATIONS

1. President Martin announced that the Steering Committee will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.
2. President Martin announced that about 11 members marched in the Veterans' Day Parade.
3. Rep. DeLuca reported that the Holiday Party will be held on Friday, December 5, 2003.
4. President Martin announced that Rep. Giordano will represent the Board on the Committee to dispose of property located on Franklin Street.

## OLD BUSINESS

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Rep. Zelinsky asked the President of the Board to write a letter congratulating the police officers who apprehended an individual who was accused of shooting another out of town police officer.
2. Rep. Zelinsky asked the President of the Board to write a letter congratulating the Fire Department for its "Life Safety Achievement Award."

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:22 p.m.