The Regular Meeting of the 27th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on Monday, November 10, 2008 in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.

President Martin called the meeting to order at 8:35 p.m.

MINUTES


“Heavenly Father, we ask Your grace and blessing on all Your children. And, on this Veterans’ Day Eve, a day that gives every American an opportunity to celebrate the bravery and sacrifice of all United States veterans, we expressly ask Your blessings on the brave men and women throughout history who are called upon to serve having selflessly donned our country’s flag of freedom and put their sons in harm’s way to protect the rights and liberties this great nation affords us. Father, to the call to service, each of us has answered, may we always be found worthy of those who put their trust in us, and may we be willing to accomplish through Your guidance and help greater works and the advancement of our city, our state, our nation, and most of all, Your kingdom. Amen.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President David R. Martin.

ROLL CALL: There were thirty-three members present, six members absent/excused (Reps. Lyons, Layton, Figueroa, White, Diamond and Esposito) and one vacancy. Note: Rep. Lyons arrived after roll call.

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

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late:

COMMUNICATIONS: President Martin announced:

1. Jim Diamond’s father passed away, and the Board sends its deepest condolences.
2. Rep. Miller was successful in her election for statewide office; the Board congratulates her.
3. Tuesday, November 11, 2008 is Veteran’s Day; City offices are closed.
4. The Steering Committee will meet on Thursday, November 13, 2008. The deadline for submissions is Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m.

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

1. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; commemorating the 400th Anniversary of the first Polish people coming to America at Jamestown, Virginia.
   08/01/08 – Submitted by Rep. Zelinsky
   09/02/08 – No action taken
   NO ACTION TAKEN

2. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; congratulating the UBC Gospel Choir on its 35th Anniversary.
   10/20/08 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville
   APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

3. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; recognizing a Sister City Partnership between Stamford and Minturno, Italy.
   11/06/08 – Submitted by Reps. Mallozzi, Fedeli, Giordano and President Martin
   APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE

4. SENSE OF THE BOARD RESOLUTION; naming a portion of Hope Street with the honorary name of “Minturno Way.”
   11/06/08 – Submitted by Reps. Mallozzi, Fedeli, Giordano and President Martin
   APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOICE VOTE
STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE:  Meeting:  Tuesday, October 14, 2008
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Majority Leader Boccuzzi moved to waive the Steering Committee Report; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE: Annie M. Summerville, Chair
(Attendance) John J. Boccuzzi, Vice Chair
(Votes) Meeting:  Monday, November 10, 2008
(Report) 6:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee met on November 10, 2008. Present were Chair Summerville and Vice Chair Boccuzzi and Committee Member Reps. Aposporos, McGarry and DePina; absent/excused were Committee Member Reps. Layton, Munger and Molgano. (Note: There is one vacancy on the Committee.)

1. **A27.180**  
Old Town Hall Redevelopment Agency  
Robert Kolenberg (R)  
97 Harvest Hill Lane  
Stamford, CT 06905  
Term Expires: 12/31/11  
09/18/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
11/10/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

2. **A27.181**  
Old Town Hall Redevelopment Agency  
James Nixon (R)  
337 Mayapple Road  
Stamford, CT 06903  
Term Expires: 12/31/11  
09/18/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
11/10/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1 and 2 above, was approved by unanimous voice vote.
Chair Skigen reported that the Fiscal Committee met on October 27, 2008. Present were Chair Skigen, Vice Chair Cannady and Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Giordano, Figueroa, Rauh, Mitchell and Day; absent/excused were Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Mirkin and Lyons. Also present were: Sandy Dennies, Director of Administration; Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer; Ben Barnes, Director of Operations; Pete Privitera, OPM Director; Bill Callion, Director of Public Safety & Health; and Brent Larrabee, Chief of Police.

1a. **F27.457** GRANTS RESOLUTION; authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the State Dept. of Social Services; amount of grant: $8,450; $5,000 subcontracted to the Senior Center for outreach to the Haitian community; $3,450 to assist seniors with rent rebate issues.
   10/07/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/27/08 – Committee Approved 6-0-0

1b. **F27.453** ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Municipal Agent Funding; funds to be contracted to the Senior Center to provide outreach to the Haitian community.
   09/25/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/09/08 – Approved by Board of Finance
   10/27/08 – Committee Approved 6-0-0

2. **F27.451** ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Senior Health Grant; Car Allowance; represents increased funds from the Southwestern Connecticut Agency on Aging.
   09/25/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/09/08 – Approved by Board of Finance
   10/27/08 – Committee Approved 6-0-0

3. **F27.449** ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Immunization Grant; represents increased funds from the CT Dept. of Health.
   09/26/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   11/13/08 – Approved by Board of Finance
   10/27/08 – Committee Approved 6-0-0

4. **F27.450** ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);
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<td>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Youth Service Bureau; Direct Service Grant; funds to support GEMS - Girls Empowerment Movement in Stamford.</td>
<td>$10,000.00</td>
<td>APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA</td>
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<td>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Urban Crime/Community Safety; funds to promote (1) community safety; and (2) an alternative crime prevention program for youth.</td>
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<td>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Justice Assistance Grant; Contracted Services; funds to be contracted to DOMUS for the Pilot Youth Court Program.</td>
<td>$24,325.00</td>
<td>APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA</td>
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<td>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget); Registrar of Voters; Election Expenses; to reimburse for actual expenditures related to local citywide primary.</td>
<td>$60,890.00</td>
<td>APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA</td>
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<td>9.</td>
<td>ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Traffic Engineering; Stamford Urban Transitway; for construction of transitway between Atlantic Street, Elm through Jefferson Streets and Elm to East Main Street through Myrtle Avenue.</td>
<td>$7,288,336.00</td>
<td>HELD IN COMMITTEE</td>
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Chair Skigen stated that Item Nos. 9 and 10 were approved contingent upon the approvals of the Board of Finance and Planning Board having been approved in the proper order as dictated by the Charter. The Board of Finance acted before the Planning Board, so the Committee’s contingent approval does not apply at this point, so these items will be returned to Committee.

Chair Skigen stated that everyone was supplied with a copy of the current capital projects report and those planned for next fiscal year.

Chair Skigen stated that Item No. F27.459 was discussed in the Committee Report.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1a and b through 8, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

A motion to take up an item not listed on the Agenda was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Suspension of Rules:**

7/29/2010 10:15 AM
Chair Skigen reported this relates back to Item No. 9 on the Agenda. The administration is asking to close this out to allow the funds to be used for Phase I or Phase II of the Urban Transitway. The appropriation is within Item No. 9. There was no motion to reject this item.

LEGISLATIVE & RULES COMMITTEE

James D. Diamond, Chair
Arthur Layton, Vice Chair
Meeting: Monday, October 27, 2008
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

In the absence of Chair Diamond and Vice Chair Layton, Committee Member Rep. Heaphy reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on October 27, 2008. Present were Chair Diamond and Vice Chair Layton and Committee Member Reps. Day, Heaphy, Lodato and Zelinsky. Absent/excused were Committee Member Reps. Berns, Esposito, Lombardo and Mitchell. Also present was Board President Martin. Invitees were Jeannette Brown, WPCA Bureau Chief and Thomas Cassone, Esq., Director of Legal Affairs, City of Stamford.

1. LR27.080 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; requiring the abatement of discharge of fats, oils and grease into public sewers.
   09/11/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/27/08 – Committee Held 6-0-0

2. LR27.081 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; designating the Office of the Town Clerk as the department responsible for posting all meeting minutes and all special meeting notices received by public agencies on the official website per Public Act No. 08-3.
   09/30/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/27/08 – Committee Held 6-0-0

3. LR27.079 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; amending Section 200 of our ordinances, which provides for tax abatement and deferral for married couples, to conform to the recent state statutes
   HELED IN COMMITTEE
governing civil unions.
08/18/08 – Submitted by Leg & Rules Committee
09/15/08 – Report Made
10/06/08 – Report Made
10/27/08 – Committee Held 5-0-1

Rep. Heaphy stated that these three items were held pending additional information that the committee has requested. As for Item No. LR27.079, the Committee is awaiting a court ruling before acting.

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Mary Lisa Fedeli, Chair
(Attendance)
Pauline S. Rauh, Vice Chair
(Votes)
Meeting: Thursday, October 23, 2008
(Report)
6:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Fedeli reported that the Personnel Committee met on October 23, 2008. Present were Chair Fedeli and Vice Chair Rauh and Committee Member Reps. Boccuzzi, Cannady and Gabriele; absent/excused were Committee Member Reps. Figueroa, Layton, Lodato and Skigen. Also present were: Police Chief Brent Larrabee; Stephen Maloney and Adele Gordon of the Police Commission; Lou Casolo and Ed Gentile of the Engineering Bureau and Bob Murray and Fred Manfredonia of Human Resources.

1. P27.066 PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for public hearing & final adoption; establishing a policy to provide five points on Police Officer written test for Stamford residents.
   11/07/07 – Submitted by Reps. DeLuca & Zelinsky
   11/28/07 – Held in Committee 8-0-0
   12/03/07 – Held in Committee
   04/02/08 – Held in Committee 8-0-0
   04/07/08 – Held in Committee
   04/14/08 – Placed on Pending Agenda
   08/25/08 – Committee approved 4-3-0
   09/09/08 – Placed on Pending Agenda
   10/23/08 – Committee approved 4-1-0

Chair Fedeli moved to approve Item No. P27.066; said motion was seconded. Chair Fedeli stated that this ordinance mirrors the Fire Department bonus point ordinance; there is a sunset clause for the 12/31/09. The Committee voted 4-1-0 in favor of the ordinance.

The item was approved by a machine vote of 30-4-0 (Reps. Adams, Aposporos, Boccuzzi, Cannady, Coppola, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele,
2. **P27.090**  
**REJECTION; of an agreement with Stamford Public Health Dental Hygienist Union; AFSCME Local 1303-273 for a one-year contract extension.**  
10/10/08 – Submitted by Human Resources  
10/09/08 – **Advisory** issued by Board of Finance  
10/23/08 – Motion to Reject Failed 0-5-0  

Chair Fedeli moved to REJECT Item No. P27.090; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Mirkin stated that this is the first of four, and he will be voting to reject on all four. The Advisory Opinion that the Board of Finance submitted on 11/10/08 outlines several additional factors in addition to its prior recommendation about not extending contracts beyond their original dates of expiration. The latest memo talks about 1) the lack of growth in the City’s grand list; 2) the increased cost of city operations; 3) the impacts of the economic downturn on the city’s pension funds; 4) the cost of living decline (which he believes is related to energy and other commodity costs); and 5) the reduction of the cost of housing and energy costs. This was a bipartisan opinion, and he will go along with the Board of Finance. He stated that if there is ever a time where there is strength for the taxpayers, it is in this economic downturn. We can all look around and see what is happening in corporate America, and we will be seeing lots of layoffs in the coming months. The economy is just beginning to feel the downturn, and we would be in a better position to let this contract seek its normal end and start the process after.

The contract was NOT REJECTED by a machine vote of 3-31-0 (Reps. Aposporos, Coppola and Mirkin in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Boccuzzi, Cannady, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Giordano, Heaphy, Larobina, Lodato, Lombardo, Lyons, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mitchell, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh, Skigen, Summerville, Young and Zelinsky opposed) (See **Vote Record No. 955**).

3. **P27.091**  
**REJECTION; of an agreement with Registered Nurses Union, Local 465 for a one-year contract extension.**  
10/10/08 – Submitted by Human Resources  
10/09/08 – **Advisory** issued by Board of Finance  
10/23/08 – Motion to Reject Failed 0-5-0  

Chair Fedeli moved to REJECT Item No. P27.090; said motion was seconded and the contract was NOT REJECTED by a machine vote of 2-31-0 (Reps. Coppola and Mirkin in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Boccuzzi, Cannady, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli,
Franzetti, Gabriele, Giordano, Heaphy, Larobina, Lodato, Lombardo, Lyons, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mitchell, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh, Skigen, Summerville, Young and Zelinsky opposed) (See Vote Record No. 956).

4. **P27.083** REJECTION; of an agreement with UAW, Local #2377 for a one-year contract extension (and changes to vehicle/mileage reimbursements).  
   09/08/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
   10/27/08 – Board of Finance Advisory issued  
   10/23/08 – Motion to Reject Failed 0-5-0  
   11/10/08 – Board of Finance Letter  
   Chair Fedeli moved to REJECT Item No. P27.090; said motion was seconded and the contract was NOT REJECTED by a machine vote of 3-31-0. (Reps. Aposporos, Coppola and Mirkin in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Boccuzzi, Cannady, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Giordano, Heaphy, Larobina, Lodato, Lombardo, Lyons, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mitchell, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh, Skigen, Summerville, Young and Zelinsky opposed) (See Vote Record No. 957).

5. **P27.084** REJECTION; of an agreement with New England Health Care Employees District 1199, AFL-CIO for a one-year contract extension.  
   09/08/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
   10/27/08 – Board of Finance Advisory issued  
   10/23/08 – Motion to Reject Failed 0-5-0  
   11/10/08 – Board of Finance Letter  
   Chair Fedeli moved to REJECT Item No. P27.090; said motion was seconded and the contract was NOT REJECTED by a machine vote of 3-31-0 (Reps. Aposporos, Coppola and Mirkin in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Boccuzzi, Cannady, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Giordano, Heaphy, Larobina, Lodato, Lombardo, Lyons, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mitchell, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh, Skigen, Summerville, Young and Zelinsky opposed) (See Vote Record No. 958).

   10/09/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
   10/23/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0  
   APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA

7. **P27.086** APPROVAL; of a Clerk of the Works contract with Kenneth I. Arnow.  
   10/09/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
   10/23/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0  
   APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
   10/09/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/23/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

9. P27.088 APPROVAL; of a Clerk of the Works contract with Augustine C. Burriesci.
   10/09/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/23/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

    10/09/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
    10/23/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

Chair Fedeli moved the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 6-10; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

LAND USE/URBAN
REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Harry Day, Chair
(Attendance)

Patrick J. White, Vice Chair

(Report)

Meeting: Wednesday, October 22, 2008

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Day reported that the Land Use/Urban Redevelopment Committee met on October 22, 2008. Present were Chair Day, Vice Chair White and Committee Member Reps. Franzetti, Gabriele and Lombardo. Absent/excused were Committee Member Reps. Boccuzzi, Diamond, Mitchell and Summerville. Invitees present were Kip Bergstrom and Rachel Goldberg, Urban Redevelopment Commission.

1. LU27.053 RESOLUTION; changing the name of the southerly portion of Wilder Road to “Wilder Road South.”
   09/08/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   10/22/08 – Committee approved 5-0-0

2. LU27.054 RESOLUTION; approving the final acceptance of Sunset Court as a city street.
   09/11/08 – Submitted by John Pugliesi
   10/22/08 – Held in Committee
Chair Day stated the final inspection has not been completed for Sunset Court.

3. LU27.055 REVIEW; update of URC projects including Archstone, Park Square West and Luxe. REPORT
   10/06/08 – Submitted by Chair Day
   10/22/08 – Report Made

Chair Day stated that they received a comprehensive update on all the URC projects. It was an interesting review in particular with respect to the Archstone Project, which, after years of designs, finally has come up with what he and the committee considers to be a really beautiful design that includes, among other things, a tower lantern that will be a beacon to the Mill River Park. This is cause for excitement.

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

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: John R. Zelinsky, Jr., Chair
Scot Mirkin, Vice Chair
MEETING CANCELLED

1. O27.047 APPROVAL; of a contract with J&P Lostocco Auto
   Parts of Stamford Corp. for fleet parts procurement
   and turnkey parts room operation.           NO ACTION
   09/08/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
   09/11/08 – Approved by Board of Finance
   10/06/08 – Committee approved 3-2-2
   10/06/08 – Returned to Committee (28-7-0)

2. O27.048 REVIEW; reorganization of Operations Department.           NO ACTION
   09/15/08 – Submitted by President Martin

3. O27.049 REVIEW; elimination of backyard trash pickup vis-à-vis savings/costs vs. projections.           NO ACTION
   10/07/08 – Submitted by Rep. Mirkin

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH COMMITTEE: Richard Lyons, II, Chair
(Attendance)  Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2008
(Report) 6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room
Meeting: Thursday, November 20, 2008
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Lyons reported that the Public Safety & Health Committee met on Thursday, November 6, 2008. Present were Chair Lyons and Committee Members Adams, Aposporos, Coppola, Larobina, Lyons, C. Martin, Mirkin and Zelinsky. Absent/excused were Committee Members Berns, DePina and Pia. Invitees present were William Callion, Director, Public Safety, Health & Welfare and Brent Larrabee, Chief of Police.

1. PS27.038 REVIEW; various Fire Department response times to structure fire at 117 Mill Spring Road. 10/10/08 – Submitted by Rep. Lyons
   NO ACTION

2. PS27.032 REVIEW; Stamford Police Department strategic plan and results of citizen survey 02/14/08 – Submitted by Chief Larrabee, President Martin (10/08/08) 03/10/08 – Placed on Pending Agenda 11/06/08 – Report Made
   REPORT MADE & HELD IN COMMITTEE

Chair Lyons stated a lengthy report is available on Item No. PS27.032. The first item, PS27.038, will be discussed at a meeting scheduled for November 20, 2008.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE: Linda Cannady, Co-Chair
(Attendance) Joseph Coppola, Co-Chair
(Votes) Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2008
(Report) 7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Coppola reported that the Parks & Recreation Committee met on October 21, 2008. Present were Co-Chairs Coppola and Cannady and Committee Member Reps. Fedeli, Franzetti, Lyons, Pia and White. Also present were Rep. DeLuca; Laurie Albano, Recreation Services; Mickey Docimo, Parks Director; Deane Pomeroy, Terry Conners Ice Rink; Tom McIntosh, President, Custodial Union; Al Barbarotta BOE/Facilities; and Bill Dunn, CFO Board of Education.

1. PR27.034 RESOLUTION; and approval of public hearing; approving proposed fee increases for Terry Conners
   APPROVED ON CONSENT
Co-Chair Coppola explained that the Committee amended the fees by increasing the non-resident fee slightly and reducing the youth and high school fees.

2. **PR27.033**  
RESOLUTION; and **approval of public hearing:** approving proposed fee increases for camps, playgrounds and activity programs.  
10/08/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/21/08 – Committee approved as amended 6-1

A motion to approve Item No. PR27.033 for a public hearing was made and seconded.

Co-Chair Coppola stated that a lengthy discussion was held. The Committee ultimately decided to set the reduced rate at $375 for Heroy, Davenport and Westover Camps by a vote of 6-1-0.

Co-Chair Coppola stated that Mr. Docimo stated that the fees have not been increased in six years. He voted against reducing it to $375 because he felt that the rate schedule presented was fair. He is not for approving large increases, but the programs are very good and worth the money. The fees in Stamford are very fair and competitive with other cities.

Co-Chair Coppola stated that these programs must be self-sufficient and the City does not have the funds to subsidize these programs.

Rep. Mitchell moved to amend the three “day camp reduced fee” rates for Heroy, Westover and Davenport to $300 from the Committee’s (amended) recommendation of $375.00. Said motion was seconded.

Rep. Coppola stated that the City cannot afford to pay for these programs, and it makes no sense to him.

Rep. Skigen stated that the current fee for the program is $200. The current full fee is $800. Under the proposal, the full fee is being raised to $900, or a $100 increase. The administration originally proposed a $250 increase on the reduced fee. So we have gone from a situation where the reduced fee was 25% of the full fee to the administration’s proposal where the reduced fee is now 50% of the full fee. The Committee reduced that, but even taking the $300 fee that Rep. Mitchell is proposing, you’re increasing the reduced fee from 25% to 33%, and he believes that is reasonable. The difference, based on the numbers provided by the Parks & Rec Department, between the $375 and the $300 fee, is about $12-$13,000, and he believes the Parks Department can come up with $12,000 in order to keep kids who otherwise could not afford the camp in camp. He is aware of the fiscal problems that the City will be facing.
next year, but to increase this fee by almost 100% is uncalled for, and he supports Ms. Mitchell’s amendment.

Rep. Zelinsky stated that he is against the $300 fee. He respects Ms. Albano and Mr. Docimo, and if they feel that they need the extra funding, he believes they should get it. The Committee did reduce it from $450 to $375, and the Board should be cognizant of the real economic trying times we will be facing.

Rep. Fedeli stated that there were several issues during the meeting. The reduced fee has not been raised in over six years, and it was this Board that chose not to raise it over the past six years. Over the past couple of years, they have asked to raise the fees incrementally, and the Committee and the Board chose not to do that. Now, we need to raise the fees in order to pay for the programs. On the other fee, they have had increases over the past several years. Another point that Ms. Albano brought out is that with regard to families that cannot afford it, there is a scholarship program for children, and they have been able to raise a few thousand dollars through this program. As of two weeks ago, there has not been one child turned away because they cannot afford to pay. She will not support the amendment, because to send children to camp for $375 for 5 days a week for 8 hours a day, there is no deal like this.

Rep. Mitchell stated that her justification is that all the increases fall between $50 and $150; the $100 increase falls right in the middle of that. This is a tough time to increase the camp fee; this is not the right time for an increase of this size.

Rep. Cannady stated that looking at the percentage that the other rates were increased, and she doesn’t think it is fair to raise this fee at this rate. She compromised at various other rates, but the committee supported the $375 fee. She will support Ms. Mitchell’s amendment of a $100 increase.

Rep. DeLuca stated that this was a compromise within the Committee, and the Board should respect the Committee’s compromise decision. He recommends that the amendment be rejected.

The motion to amend the fees to $300 was approved by a machine vote of 18-16-0 (Reps. Adams, Aposporos, Berns, Cannady, DePina, Giordano, Heaphy, Lodato, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mirkin, Mitchell, Skigen, Summerville and Young in favor; Reps. Boccuzzi, Coppola, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Larobina, Lombardo, Lyons, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh and Zelinsky opposed) (See Vote Record No. 959).

Rep. Mirkin, a member of the prevailing previous vote, moved to reconsider. Said motion was seconded and failed by a machine vote of 14-20-0 (Reps. Aposporos, Boccuzzi, Day, DeLuca, Franzetti, Gabriele, Larobina, Lyons, Mirkin, Molgano, Munger, Pia, Rauh and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Cannady, Coppola, DePina, Fedeli, Giordano, Heaphy, Lodato, Lombardo, Mallozzi, C. Martin, D. Martin, McGarry,
Rep. Lyons moved to return the item to Committee, adding that some of these funds have not been increased since Mr. Alswanger chaired the committee. Said motion was seconded and approved by a machine vote of 20-14-0 (Reps. Aposporos, Boccuzzi, Coppola, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Larobina, Lodato, Lombardo, Lyons, D. Martin, Mirkin, Molgano, Munger, Neary, Pia, Rauh and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Adams, Berns, Cannady, DePina, Giordano, Heaphy, Mallozzi, C. Martin, McGarry, Miller, Mitchell, Skigen, Summerville and Young opposed) (See Vote Record No. 961).

3. **PR27.032** REVIEW; practices for field and gym use and maintenance of fields (both Board of Education and City fields).

   - 10/06/08 – Submitted by Rep. Coppola
   - 10/21/08 – Report Made

Rep. Coppola stated a report has been made on this issue.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1 was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.
Chair Rauh stated that the Superintendent reported there are many, many steps that need to be taken before this will be completed for September 2009.

3. **E27.032 REVIEW; status of 2008 Facilities Study.**
   - 10/09/08 – Submitted by Chair Rauh
   - 10/30/08 – Report Made

Chair Rauh stated that the Committee had been led to believe that this study was underway; however, it is just now being developed in terms of the specifics. Funding has been identified and it should be completed in the next six months.

4. **E27.033 REVIEW; city and Board of Education policies for mandatory reporting to the Stamford Police Youth Services Bureau.**
   - 05/08/08 – Submitted by Chair Lyons
   - 05/29/08 – Held in Committee 9-0-0
   - 06/02/08 – Held in Committee
   - 07/14/08 – Placed on Pending Agenda
   - 10/30/08 – Report Made

Chair Rauh stated there was an extensive discussion on this item. There is a concern that there has been underreporting of major incidents and very little, if any, reporting to Department of Children & Family Services. The Board of Education will be looking at reporting procedures and the staff development necessary to have all staff understand the responsibilities, by statute and policy. There will be a follow up on this.

Rep. Mirkin stated that perhaps the Board of Education should be noticed that as a requirement for submitting its budget for next year that they come up with a policy that would be more stringent and that does not allow as much latitude and that would allow the police to sort out what should happen. There is a sense in his caucus that there is too much discretion in their policy. He asked if the President of the Board would be willing to send this letter.

President Martin stated that once there is a new Board of Education chairperson, he, Mr. Lyons, Clerk Summerville and Ms. Rauh will sit down and discuss concerns about this issue. He does not want to overstep our authority, but he is willing to discuss the matter.

**HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/**
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Elaine Mitchell, Chair  
(Attendance)

Philip J. Giordano, Vice Chair  
(Report)  
Meeting: Tuesday, October 21, 2008  
6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing/Community Development/Social Services Committee met on October 21, 2008. Present were Chair Mitchell, Vice Chair Giordano and Committee Member Reps. Molgano and Miller. Also present was Rep. DePina; Tim Beeble, Community Development; Richard Fox, Housing Authority; Vin Tufo and Brian Robinson.

1. HCD27.38 REVIEW; utilization of commercial linkage funds for new construction of 57 affordable housing units at 58 Progress Drive.  
10/07/08 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy  
10/21/08 – Report Made

Rep. Lyons asked that several questions be answered regarding the above-captioned project. He noted that the property abuts the Westover School property and there is an easement and a cut-through from the property on Progress Drive through the back of the Westover School area, and asked whether Mr. Tufo expanded upon how the funds will be used and where they will be used and what financial enumerations they are using for the funds. Chair Mitchell responded that the funds are going to be used to help develop 57 affordable housing units on 58 Progress Drive. They will also be used to leverage additional funding for the project.

Rep. Lyons asked whether the additional funding for the project is through Charter Oak/Stamford Housing Authority or through the private developers. Chair Mitchell responded that it was through both, adding that Charter Oak is going to run the program.

Rep. Lyons asked for the capacity of the funds – whether tenants will be at the median income, whether this was under the 1-for-1 ordinance or the commercial linkage ordinance. Chair Mitchell stated that state financing will also be used, adding that there is a copy of a letter in the board office where the State commits $20 million toward this project over 4 years.

Chair Mitchell stated that the $20 million is to revitalize the 216 units at Vidal Court. It is not going to be all at one site; it is going to be at different sites, but there is a $20 million commitment from the State to revitalize Vidal Court.

Chair Mitchell added that there will be 58 units at Progress Drive, there are going to be some units on the old site, they bought property that’s adjacent to Vidal Court on the corner of Stillwater Avenue and Myrtle Avenue, and they bought another property (formerly a pizza place) and will develop that.
Rep. Lyons added that those sites have nothing to do with 58 Progress Drive.

Rep. Lyons asked that Chair Mitchell confirm whether Vidal Court tenants will have preference for the units at Progress Drive because of the proximity of this location to Vidal Court. Chair Mitchell stated that it was her understanding those tenants would receive preference.

Chair Mitchell also confirmed for Rep. Lyons that according to the ordinance, the Mayor merely has to consult with the Committee as to the use of the commercial linkage funds. Chair Lyons asked for the actual amount of commercial linkage funds that will be used toward 58 Progress Drive.

President Martin stated that this item will remain on the agenda next month.

2. HCD27.39 REVIEW; effects on affordable housing capacity from multiple land acquisitions. REPORT MADE & HELD IN COMMITTEE

10/06/08 – Submitted by Chair Mitchell & Rep. DePina
10/21/08 – Report Made

Chair Mitchell stated a report has been issued on item No. 2.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair
Terry Adams, Vice Chair

No meeting; No Report.

STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Paul A. Esposito, Chair
Eileen Heaphy, Vice Chair
MEETING CANCELLED

1. SC27.029 REVIEW; of an Energy Service Agreement; purpose: to make city more energy independent. NO ACTION TAKEN
09/26/08 – Submitted by Michael Freimuth

MINUTES

1. October 6, 2008 Regular Board Meeting APPROVED
III. OLD BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.