

*The Regular Meeting of the 28th Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford will be held on **Monday, January 4, 2010** in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4th Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.*

MINUTES

President Skigen called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m.

INVOCATION: By Rabbi Philip Schechter

“Great God of us all. We thank You for this new year, this new decade, and this new beginning to the board of representatives. We pray for each of the members and their families. May they be blessed with health, strength and wisdom. We ask Your blessing upon the new president of the board, Randy Skigen, and his family. We pray that Randy be granted insight and patience; that he might guide the board with skill and tolerance. The people of Stamford look to this group for leadership and integrity. May they display these qualities with dedication and mutual respect. May they join together in providing our wonderful city with good and honest government and represent the people of their districts with caring concern. We say together, amen.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: Led by President Randall M. Skigen.

ROLL CALL: Conducted by Clerk of the Board Annie Summerville. There were 37 members present and three members excused (Reps. Heaphy, Martin and Taylor).

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

MOMENTS OF SILENCE: For the late: Celeste Gloria Vasone; Rocco A. Lafaro Jr. and Canio A. Lucia by Rep. Giordano; Josephine N. Moavero by Reps. Giordano and Zelinsky; Julia Billie; Barbara Wynn and Roxana Kelly by the Black Caucus; Marissa Ann Little John and Kelly Fisher by Rep. Figueroa; Nicholas George Kouloganes by the 27th Board of Representatives; John T. Brown, Jr. and Jerry F. Walden by Clerk Summerville; Julia Russo; Mildred Faulk Branham; Alice Piorkowski; Walter Renna Sr.; Dr. Richard F. Quick and Amanda Dobrzansky by Rep. Zelinsky; John Marsalisi by Reps. Fedeli and Zelinsky.

COMMUNICATIONS: President Skigen announced:

1. Reps. Franzetti, McGarry and Caterbone are celebrating January birthdays.
2. Rep. Caterbone will serve on the Anti-Blight Committee, replacing Rep. Layton.

FILLING OF VACANCY FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee interviewed the nominee for the Board of Education vacancy, Carmine Limone. Chair Summerville moved the appointment of Mr. Limone to fill the vacancy; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

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| 2. A28.004 | <u>Board of Education</u>
Carmine S. Limone
122 Hannah's Road
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 11/30/10
12/01/09 – Submitted by Gabe DeLuca
12/21/09 – Committee approved 6-0-0 | Repl. Matthews
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
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Secondary Committee: Education

No Report

President Skigen administered the oath of office.

HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:

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| 1. | Sense of the Board Resolution honoring John Rubino on being presented with the Marine Corps League's Distinguished Service Award.
11/12/09 – Submitted by Rep. Mirkin | HELD IN
COMMITTEE |
| 2. | Sense of the Board Resolution congratulating the Westhill High School Girl's Soccer Team on winning the CIAC Class LL Tournament.
11/24/09 – Submitted by President Skigen, Clerk Summerville, Rep. Zelinsky | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
| 3. | Sense of the Board Resolution thanking Jeanne Franklin for her many years of service as Director of Stamford's Senior Center upon the occasion of her retirement. | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |

12/03/09 – Submitted by President Skigen & Rep.
DeLuca

STANDING COMMITTEES

STEERING COMMITTEE: Meeting: Monday, December 14, 2009
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 Summerville, Chair**
([Attendance](#)) **John Boccuzzi, Vice Chair**
([Votes](#)) Meeting: Monday, December 21, 2009
([Report](#)) 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee met on December 21, 2009. Present were Chair Summerville and Vice Chair Boccuzzi, Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli, Franzetti, McGarry and Savage. Also present were Reps. Day, Fedeli, Molgano, Sklover, Heaphy, Layton and Zelinsky; and Chris Munger. Excused was Committee Member Rep. Caterbone.

1. A28.005	<u>Director of Legal Affairs</u> Michael D. Larobina, Esq. 80 Fourth Street Stamford, CT 06905 Term Expires: 11/30/13 11/25/09 – Submitted by Mayor Elect Michael Pavia 12/21/09 – Committee approved 6-0-0	APPROVED ON CONSENT AGENDA
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Secondary Committee: Legislative & Rules Committee

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2. A28.004	<u>Board of Education</u> Carmine S. Limone 122 Hannah's Road Stamford, CT 06903 Term Expires: 11/30/10 12/01/09 – Submitted by Gabe DeLuca 12/21/09 – Committee approved 6-0-0	Repl. Matthews <i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i>	SEE PAGE ONE OF AGENDA
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Secondary Committee: Education

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| 3. A28.006 | <u>Police Commission</u>
Michael Berkoff (D)
92 Jeanne Court
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 11/30/12
12/10/09 – Submitted by Mayor Michael Pavia
12/21/09 – Committee approved 5-0-1 | Repl. Maloney
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |
| 4. A28.007 | <u>Police Commission</u>
Mark A. Larobina (R)
53 Minivale Road
Stamford, CT 06907
Term Expires: 11/30/12
12/10/09 – Submitted by Mayor Michael Pavia
12/21/09 – Committee approved 5-0-1 | Repl. Berkoff
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |
| 5. A28.008 | <u>Police Commission</u>
Frank J. Mercede (D)
72 Little Hill Drive
Stamford, CT 06905
Term Expires: 11/30/13
12/10/09 – Submitted by Mayor Michael Pavia
12/21/09 – Committee approved 5-0-1 | Repl. Gordon
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |
| 6. A28.009 | <u>Police Commission</u>
Kim Olds (R)
17 Stone Fence Lane
Stamford, CT 06903
Term Expires: 11/30/10
12/10/09 – Submitted by Mayor Michael Pavia
12/21/09 – Committee approved 5-0-1 | Repl. Perry
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |
| 7. A28.010 | <u>Police Commission</u>
Milton C. Thomas, II (R)
195 Cold Spring Road
Stamford, CT 06905
Term Expires: 11/30/13
12/10/09 – Submitted by Mayor Michael Pavia
12/21/09 – Committee approved 5-0-1 | Repl. Denham
<i>Term Exp. 11/30/10</i> | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |

Secondary Committee on Items 3-7: Public Safety & Health

No Report

Chair Summerville moved to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 1 and 3 through 7; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote (Rep. Franzetti abstaining on Item Nos. 3 through 7).

FISCAL COMMITTEE:

[\(Attendance\)](#)

[\(Votes\)](#)

[\(Report\)](#)

John Mallozzi, Chair

Linda Cannady, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, December 28, 2009

7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Mallozzi reported that the Fiscal Committee met on December 28, 2009. Present were: Chair Mallozzi and Vice Chair Cannady and Committee Member Reps. DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Kaufman, Mallozzi, Mirkin, Mitchell, Rauh and Sklover. Also present were Peter Privitera, Acting Director of Administration; Karen Cammarota, Grants Office and Joseph Tarzia, Chair of the Board of Finance.

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| 1. F28.001
\$400,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Arrest Enforcement Program; U.S. Dept. of Justice grant; will fund various efforts to reduce violence against women.
10/29/09 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
11/09/09 – Approved by Board of Finance
12/28/09 – Committee approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 2. F28.002
\$10,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); Youth Service Bureau; CT Dept. of Education grant; to fund Pathways to Academic and Social Success (PASS) Program.
10/29/09 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
11/09/09 – Approved by Board of Finance
12/28/09 – Committee approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 3. F28.006
\$19,760.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget); DUI Enforcement Expanded; DUI Overtime; Police to perform DUI patrols on an overtime basis; 25% (\$4,940 city match required).
12/03/09 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
01/__/09 – To be considered by Board of Finance
12/28/09 – Committee approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (Rep.
Franzetti
abstaining) |

Chair Mallozzi noted that the Board of Representatives is not required to wait for the Board of Finance to act. President Martin stated it is the practice of the Board to hold the item, but it is ultimately up to the Chair and the rest of the Board. No one objected to approving the item this evening.

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| 4. F28.003 | GRANTS RESOLUTION ; authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract with the State of CT Dept. of Social Services for funding assistance regarding the Stamford Day Care Program.
10/28/09 – Submitted by Mayor Dannel P. Malloy
12/28/09 – Committee approved 10-0-0 | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA |
| 5. F28.007 | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication ; amending the OPEB ordinance to provide for 60% funding in 2010-11, 80% funding in 2011-12 and 100% funding in 2012-13 and thereafter.
12/10/09 – Submitted by President Skigen
12/28/09 – Committee approved 10-0-0 (as amended) | APPROVED ON
CONSENT
AGENDA (as
amended) |

Chair Mallozzi noted that this ordinance was discussed in committee, and the funding rates were amended to 50% funding in 2010-11, 75% funding in 2011-12 and 100% funding in 2012-13.

Chair Mallozzi moved to approve the Consent Agenda; said motion was seconded and approved by voice vote (Rep. Franzetti abstaining on No. 3).

LEGISLATIVE & RULES

COMMITTEE:

[\(Attendance\)](#)

[\(Votes\)](#)

[\(Report\)](#)

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Eileen Heaphy, Chair

Arthur Layton, Vice Chair

Meeting: Monday, December 21, 2009

7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

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Meeting: Monday, January 4, 2010

6:45 p.m. – Conference Room #1

Vice Chair Layton reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee met on December 21, 2009. Present were Chair Heaphy, Vice Chair Layton and Committee Member Reps. Day, McGarry and Zelinsky. Absent/Excused were Committee Member Reps. Martin, Mitchell, Rauh and Uva.

Vice Chair Layton reported that the Legislative & Rules Committee also met on January 4, 2010. Present were Vice Chair Layton and Committee Member Reps. Day, Rauh, Uva and Zelinsky. Absent/excused were Chair Layton and Committee Member Reps. Martin, McGarry and Mitchell.

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| 1. LR28.001 | APPROVAL; of changes to Rules of the Board re:
1) requiring interviews before the Appointments Committee for all replacements for elective offices; | HELD IN
COMMITTEE |
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and 2) instituting a dress code; and 3) increase to postage allowance
11/13/09 – Submitted by 1) President Skigen and Rep. DeLuca; 2) Rep. Layton; and 3) Rep. Zelinsky
12/21/09 – Held in Committee

2. [LR28.002](#) REVIEW; proposed ordinance prohibiting the unsolicited distribution of telephone books or similar bulky printed materials. **HELD IN COMMITTEE**
12/10/09 – Submitted by Rep. Day
12/21/09 – Held in Committee

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: **Mary Fedeli, Chair**
Polly Rauh, Vice Chair
[\(Attendance\)](#) Meeting: Monday, January 4, 2010
[\(Votes\)](#) 6:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room
[\(Report\)](#)

Chair Fedeli reported that the Personnel Committee met on January 4, 2010. Present were Chair Fedeli and Vice Chair Rauh and Committee Member Reps. Boccuzzi, Cannady, Figueroa, Gabriele and Layton. Also present were Reps. Cerasoli, Savage, Sklover and Zelinsky; Dr. Starr, Superintendent of Schools; Hugh Murphy and Denise Gagne of Stamford Public Schools and Jackie Heftman, Chair of the Board of Education.

Suspension of the Rules:

Chair Fedeli moved to suspend the rules; said motion was seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Clerk Summerville noted that Reps. White and Pia left the floor for discussion and voting on P28.003.

1. P28.003 REJECTION; of an arbitration award with the Stamford Educational Association members (teachers). **MOTION TO REJECT FAILED 0-29-4**
12/16/09 – Submitted by Stamford Public Schools
01/04/10 – Committee approved 0-6-1

Secondary Committee: Education

No Report

Chair Fedeli reported that the first year of the 3-year agreement contract contains a hard freeze with no wage or step increases. The 2d year has a general wage increase for those at the top step; the 3rd year has a wage and step increase for all members. The result is 6.97% over the 3 years of the contract. Health insurance contributions will remain the same in Year 1 and increase in Years 2 and 3. There were some other key contract changes – more professional development will be required and the school

system can now adjust the hours the teachers arrive and leave work. This will give the principals leeway and flexibility in education time provided.

Chair Fedeli moved to REJECT the contract; said motion was seconded and FAILED by a vote of 0-29-4 (Reps. Boccuzzi, Cannady, Caterbone, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Franzetti, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Kaufman, Layton, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McNeil, Mirkin, Mitchell, Neary, Raduazzo, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Summerville, Uva, Wallace, Young and Zelinsky OPPOSED; Reps. Adams, Cerasoli, Coppola, Molgano abstaining). See [Vote Record No. 1065](#).

LAND USE/URBAN

REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Harry Day, Chair
Patrick White, Vice Chair

No meeting; No Report.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE: Joseph Coppola, Jr., Co-Chair
John R. Zelinsky, Co-Chair

No meeting; No Report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY &
HEALTH COMMITTEE:** Gloria G. DePina, Co-Chair
Scott Mirkin, Co-Chair

No meeting; No Report.

**PARKS & RECREATION
COMMITTEE:** Linda Cannady, Chair

No meeting; No Report.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: Michael Molgano, Co-Chair
Andy Sklover, Co-Chair
Mary Savage, Vice Chair

No meeting; No Report.

HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Elaine Mitchell, Chair

Philip Giordano, Vice Chair

[\(Attendance\)](#)

[\(Votes\)](#)

[\(Report\)](#)

Meeting: Monday, December 28, 2009

6:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Mitchell reported that the Housing-Community Development-Social Services Committee met as indicated above. Present were Chair Mitchell, and Committee Member Reps. Cerasoli, McNeil, Wallace and Young. Also present was Tim Beeble, Community Development; and Kathy Walsh, Stamford Partnership.

1. [HC28.001](#) APPROVAL; of assignment of community outreach worker from the Police Department to the Stamford Partnership. **REPORT MADE**
11/20/09 – Submitted by Tim Beeble
12/28/09 – Committee approved 5-0-0

Chair Mitchell stated that Kathy Walsh from the Stamford Partnership spoke briefly about the transition. In the original application, it was stated that the Police Department would collaborate with the Stamford Partnership. Chair Mitchell added she was concerned about this being offered only to the East and West Side. Ms. Walsh stated she does not have a problem reaching out to other areas in the City. She also stated that this position will be filled by a civilian, not a police officer. Ms. Walsh understands that this funding is for one year only and she is not anticipating requesting CDBG funds in the future.

2. [HC28.002](#) APPROVAL; of Year 36 Citizen Participation Schedule **REPORT MADE**
11/20/09 – Submitted by Tim Beeble
12/28/09 – Committee approved 5-0-0

Chair Mitchell reported that the Committee discussed the attached draft Schedule. The public hearing for the Year 36 CDBG has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 16, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

Chair Mitchell stated that a letter from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development was received regarding the assessment of CDBG funds for the City of Stamford. The city received a “Satisfactory” rating.

Chair Mitchell reported that these items don’t require Board action.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair

Terry Adams, Vice Chair

No meeting; No Report.

**STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Mitchell Kaufman, Chair
Salvatore Gabriele, Vice Chair**

No meeting; No Report.

MINUTES

Clerk Summerville stated that she researched prior new Boards, and in all cases, it has been past practice that the new Board votes on approval of the prior Board's minutes.

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| 1. | December 7, 2009 Organizational Meeting | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |
| 2. | November 9, 2009 Regular Board Meeting | APPROVED BY
UNANIMOUS
VOICE VOTE |

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. President Skigen announced that business cards have been ordered and asked that any representative who has requested cards do so this evening.
2. President Skigen announced that the Mayor's Inaugural Event will be held on January 15th. All representatives should have received an invitation.
3. The Scofieldtown Task Force meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.
4. An orientation seminar is being scheduled for a Saturday in February ... details to follow.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

*Audio & video recordings of these proceedings
are available at www.boardofreps.org or through the
Offices of the Board of Representatives, City of Stamford, CT*