

*The Regular Meeting of the 28<sup>th</sup> Board of Representatives of the City of Stamford was held on **Monday, January 7, 2013** at 8:00 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers of the Board of Representatives in the Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.*

## **MINUTES**

President Skigen called the meeting to order at 8:45 p.m.

**INVOCATION:** Delivered by Clerk of the Board Annie M. Summerville.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Conducted by Clerk of the Board Summerville. There were thirty-six members present and four members excused (Reps. Coppola, Mitchell, Rauh and Velishka).

**VOTING MACHINE STATUS:** Confirmed by Clerk of the Board Summerville.

**MOMENTS OF SILENCE:** For the late: William Kosbob by President Skigen and Rep. Loglisci; Mamie Robinson, Keven Montgomery, Robert Daly, Bruno Giordano and Harriet Rosenson by Clerk Summerville; Mrs. Ernestine Smith and John Moses by Majority Leader Mitchell; Johnnie Mae Milner, Valerie Moore, Eva Shelley, Annie Mildred Johnson, Kevin Montgomery and Willie Haygood Williams by the Black-Latino Caucus; Angela Semenza, Ernest Passarelle and James Scarano, Sr., by Rep. Giordano; Francesco Chiappetta, Victoria Traylor, Ronald D'Elia and Jean MocarSKI by Rep. White; Naida E. Cognetta by Reps. Zelinsky and Loglisci; Norma Mann and Vincent Hatterman by Rep. Zelinsky; Antonio Califano by Rep. Loglisci; and

For the victims of Sandy Hook Elementary School: Charlotte Bacon, Daniel Barden, Rachel Davino, Olivia Engel, Josephine Gay, Ana M. Marquez-Greene, Dylan Hockley, Dawn Hochsprung, Madeleine F. Hsu, Catherine V. Hubbard, Chase Kowalski, Jesse Lewis, James Mattioli, Grace McDonnell, Anne Marie Murphy, Emilie Parker, Jack Pinto, Noah Pozner, Caroline Prevdi, Jessica Rekos, Avielle Richman, Lauren

Rousseau, Mary Sherlach, Victoria Soto, Benjamin Wheeler and Allison N. Wyatt; and

Lance Corporal Anthony J. Denier, 26, Mechanicville, N.Y.; Private First Class Markie T. Sims, 20, Citra, Fla. Sergeants 1st Class Darren M. Linde, 41, Devils Lake, N.D.; and Kevin E. Lipari, 39, Baldwin, N.Y.; Sergeants Enrique Mondragon, 23, The Colony, Texas; and Michael J. Guillory, 28, Pearl River, La.; Specialist Tyler J. Orgaard, 20, Bismarck, N.D.; Special Warfare Operator 1st Class Nicolas D. Checque, 28, Monroeville, Pa.; Staff Sergeants Nelson D. Trent, 37, Austin, Texas; Nicholas J. Reid, 26, Rochester, N.Y.; Wesley R. Williams, 25, New Carlisle, Ohio; and Commander Job W. Price, 42, Pottstown, Pa;

**COMMUNICATIONS:** President Skigen announced:

1. Reps. Franzetti, McGarry, Caterbone, Taylor and Velishka are celebrating January birthdays.
2. The Steering Committee deadline is Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. The Steering Committee will meet next Monday, January 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.
3. Next month's Regular Board Meeting will be held on Monday, February 4, 2013.
4. In conjunction with Chief Fontneau, a series of neighborhood meetings will be scheduled. These will generally consist of 3-4 board districts and will be held at one central location. He hopes that representatives will be available to be present at these neighborhood meetings. The purpose is to allow the public to express their concerns and to let the chief know the needs of the neighborhoods. The Board Office will be contacting everyone this week to begin the scheduling process.
5. An open house is being held tomorrow in the Government Center Lobby on the Stamford Reliability Cable Project.
6. A Tour of Mill River Park has been scheduled for January 28th at 12 noon. Representatives must notify the Board Office if they are planning to attend.

**HONORARY RESOLUTIONS:**

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| 1. | <a href="#"><u>Sense of the Board Resolution</u></a> congratulating Olga Brown on the occasion of her retirement from the Health Department.<br>12/01/12 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b> |
| 2. | <a href="#"><u>Sense of the Board Resolution</u></a> congratulating Joseph Kuntz on the occasion of his retirement from   | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS</b>                |

the Health Department.  
12/01/12 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville

**VOICE VOTE**

3. [Sense of the Board Resolution](#) congratulating Springdale Elementary School on winning the Lone Pine Foundation's Sixth Annual Fairfield County Academic Gain Award.  
11/28/12 – Submitted by Clerk Summerville

**APPROVED BY  
UNANIMOUS  
VOICE VOTE**

A motion to approve Resolution Nos. 1-3 above was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

## **STANDING COMMITTEES**

**STEERING COMMITTEE:** Meeting: Monday, December 10, 2012  
7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

A motion to waive the Steering Committee report was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

**APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE:** **Annie Summerville, Chair**  
[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#) Meeting: Thursday, December 13, 2012  
[Report](#) & [Video](#) 7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Chair Summerville reported that the Appointments Committee met on December 13, 2012. Present were Chair Summerville and Committee Member Reps. Franzetti, McGarry, Savage and Velishka. Excused were Committee Member Reps. Caterbone and Cerasoli.

1. A28.192 Zoning Board  
William Morris (D) Repl. Nakian  
8 Northwood Road Term Exp. 12/1/10  
Stamford, CT 06907  
Term Expires: 12/1/2013  
12/05/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/13/12 – Committee approved 4-1-0

**APPROVED BY  
VOICE VOTE**  
*(Rep. Kaufman  
abstaining)*

2. A28.186 Zoning Board - Alternate  
Kathleen K. Donahue (D) Reappointment  
131 Lawn Avenue C-5 Term Exp. 12/1/11  
Stamford, CT 06902

**ITEM  
WITHDRAWN**

Term Expires: 12/01/2014  
10/03/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
11/28/12 – Failed in Committee 2-3-1  
12/03/12 – Returned to Committee 24-5-2  
12/13/12 – No action taken  
01/07/13 – Item Withdrawn

Chair Summerville stated that an email was received by the Mayor's Office withdrawing the name of Kathleen K. Donahue from consideration.

**FISCAL COMMITTEE:**     **Jay Fountain, Chair**  
[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)     Meeting: Monday, December 17, 2012  
[Report](#) & [Video](#)         7:00 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Present were Chair Fountain and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Loglisci, Mitchell, Sklover and Summerville; excused was Committee Member Rep. Rauh. Also present were Karen Cammarota, Grants Officer; Lucy Corelli and Alice Fortunato, Registrars of Voters; Donna Loglisci, City and Town Clerk; Jim Hricay and Peter Privitera, OPM; Joseph Capalbo, Esq., Director of Legal Affairs; Prakash Chakravarti, WPCA; Jessa Bashir, Greg Stackpole and Frank Kirwin of the Tax Assessor's Office; Michael Handler, Director of Administration; Al Barbarotta, BOE Facilities; Hugh Murphy of SPS; Rich Lyons of the Board of Education and Lou Casolo, City Engineer.

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| 1. <a href="#">F28.380</a><br>\$2,500.00   | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);<br>Reaching for Respect; Direct Service; to assist "at risk" girls in connection with the development of a Youth Police Council.<br>11/29/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia<br>12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>12/17/12 – Committee approved 8-0-1              | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> |
| 2. <a href="#">F28.378</a><br>\$24,000.00  | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Grants Budget);<br>Certified Local Government Grant; Contracted Services; to funds to be contracted out to survey, document and inventory historic buildings.<br>11/29/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia<br>12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>12/17/12 – Committee approved 9-0-1 | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>CONSENT<br/>AGENDA</b> |
| 3. <a href="#">F28.379</a><br>\$100,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);<br>Registrar of Voters; Election Expenses; funds   | <b>APPROVED ON<br/>CONSENT</b>            |

needed for November 6, 2012 presidential election.  
11/29/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 9-0-0

**AGENDA**

4. [F28.398](#)  
\$7,100.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
Town Clerk; Election Expenses; to cover expenses  
related to printing of absentee ballots for the 2012  
presidential election.  
12/06/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 7-0-1

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA** (Rep.  
*Loglisci  
abstaining*)

5. [F28.377](#)  
\$608,750.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Harbor Point shuttle Bus Acquisition; City of  
Stamford to accept funds on behalf of Harbor Point  
for the purchase of 3 new specialty transit buses.  
12/06/12 – Resubmitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

6. [F28.400](#)  
\$82,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
Maintenance; Building Maintenance; to repair two  
seawalls at Cove Island; FEMA to reimburse 75% of  
repair costs.  
12/06/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Item Withdrawn

**ITEM  
WITHDRAWN**

7. [F28.399](#)  
\$150,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Operating Budget);  
Law; Professional Consultant; to fund expert  
witnesses, professional consultants and outside  
counsel.  
12/06/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**RETURNED TO  
COMMITTEE  
21-11-4**

Chair Fountain moved Item No. F28.399; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Uva stated in looking at the itemized list, she questioned 1) the firm of Murtha Cullina (an opinion letter and a boatyard consultant). She finds it strange that the Law Department is paying for the boatyard consultant rather than the Law Department.

Chair Fountain stated that he believes that the Law Department is acting on behalf of the Zoning Board. 2) Pullman & Comley – why are we continuing to pay for outside counsel in a lawsuit the city brought against Rep. Gabriele. This is an action the city brought against “one of us.” She has never received a response to her request for a legal opinion on state law and paying for attorney’s fees in ethics cases. This is based on former Corporation Counsel’s position that the City does not have to pay these fees. She doesn’t know who Corporation Counsel reports to in the City on this lawsuit. She has a problem with paying for legal fees when we can’t get a legal opinion and we don’t know who Corporation Counsel is reporting to on the litigation.

Rep. Layton moved to return Item No. F28.399 to Committee; said motion was seconded and approved by a machine vote of 21-11-4 (Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Franzetti, Frazis, Giordano, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, Pia, Savage, Taylor, Uva, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. DePina, Figueroa, Fountain, Giraldo, Heaphy, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Skigen, Sklover and Wallace opposed; Reps. Gabriele, Kaufman, McGarry and Summerville abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1341](#)).

8. [F28.381](#) RESOLUTION; amending the capital budget for FY 2012-13 by adding appropriations of \$18,329,142.20 for various capital projects and authorizing \$14,603,624.20 general obligation bonds to meet said appropriations.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
9. [F28.382](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; Springdale Expansion/Code Work; energy controls, lighting, carpet replacement, roof drain piping, front canopy and gym floor. \$1,000,000.00  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
10. [F28.383](#) ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; district-wide electrical upgrades; replace/install generators - Hart, Murphy, Roxbury, Springdale, Stark, Stillmeadow, Westover; replace fire panel at SHS. \$250,000.00  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

11. [F28.384](#)  
\$700,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; burner replacement - Toquam,  
Roxbury, Newfield; install return temperature  
stabilizer installations -district-wide.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

12. [F28.385](#)  
\$3,000,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; Northeast School Renovation -  
ADA and electrical renovations; rest rooms;  
handicap ramps; ac in auditorium and classrooms.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

13. [F28.386](#)  
\$150,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; asbestos abatement - WHS  
science labs, Northeast, Springdale, Davenport,  
Cloonan, Dolan, SHS.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

14. [F28.387](#)  
\$2,000,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; Turn of River Code Work.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

15. [F28.388](#)  
\$665,092.20

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; roof replacements - Scofield,  
Stark, Rippowam.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**



12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

16. [F28.389](#) \$600,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; district wide code compliance; sprinkler head replacements and science table replacements - WHS; Dolan smoke detectors; grease traps; Rogers canopy; fire panels - Dolan, Newfield, Roxbury, Stark, Toquam..  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
17. [F28.390](#) \$2,500,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; Toquam indoor air quality issues; replace roof; replace roof fan; chiller upgrade; hallway piping and ceiling replacement.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
18. [F28.391](#) \$2,000,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; WHS infrastructure renovation; replacement of mechanical rooftop equipment; construction document preparation; football field replacement.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
19. [F28.392](#) \$464,050.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; Toquam IAQ issues.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0 **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**
20. [F28.393](#) \$1,000,000.00 ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget); Board of Education; district wide energy efficiency projects; upgrade/install district wide energy management system; Cloonan window project.. **APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**



12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

21. [F28.394](#)  
\$750,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; district-wide indoor air quality;  
penthouse units - Dolan; media center ac - Newfield,  
Roxbury, Rippowam; replace chiller - Toquam;  
replace ventilators - Springdale, TOR.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

22. [F28.395](#)  
\$1,000,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; Rippowam code compliance;  
construct lower classrooms into pre-school special  
ed with restrooms; lighting replacement; hvac  
replacement; original kitchen equipment  
replacement.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

23. [F28.396](#)  
\$500,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; curriculum equipment  
replacement; upgrade and provide equity for  
computer equipment in classrooms; expand  
technology resources for computer labs, science  
programs and unified arts curriculum.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

24. [F28.397](#)  
\$1,750,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);  
Board of Education; window replacement and repair  
of parapet walls, cracks and water infiltration - Dolan  
Middle School.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/04/12 – Approved by the Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance

**APPROVED ON  
CONSENT  
AGENDA**

12/17/12 – Committee approved 10-0-0

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| 25. F28.343 | REVIEW; progress on addressing issues in management letter.<br>07/11/12 – Submitted by Chair Fountain<br>12/17/12 – Held in Committee                                    | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b>                       |
| 26. F28.373 | REVIEW; procedures for revaluation for tax assessment.<br>10/09/12 – Submitted by Chair Fountain<br>12/04/12 – Report Made<br>12/17/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee | <b>REPORT MADE<br/>&amp; HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b> |
| 27. F28.376 | REVIEW; City's Annual Financial Report.<br>11/27/12 – Submitted by Chair Fountain<br>12/17/12 – Held in Committee  | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b>                       |

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item Nos. 1-5 and 8-24, was made, seconded and approved by a voice vote (Rep. Loglisci abstaining on Item No. 4).

### **Suspension of Rules**

Rep. Uva stated that the WPCA Board has not submitted these appropriation requests, they have not reviewed them, there is no motion or resolution in their minutes requesting these funds. With regarding to F28.402, they actually just hired a consultant in November to determine the condition of the sewer line, so she doesn't know how they come up with a number to complete the project, without a consultant's report. Rep. Uva asked that the items be rejected.

Clerk Summerville stated that these were submitted by the Mayor's Office.

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| 1. <a href="#">F28.401</a><br>\$2,000,000.00 | ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);<br>WPCA; Major Rehabilitation; to repair/upgrade major<br>equipment and enhance plant security.<br>12/12/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia<br>12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance<br>12/11/12 – Approved by Planning Board<br>12/17/12 – Committee approved 9-0-1 | <b>RETURNED TO<br/>COMMITTEE<br/>31-2-2</b> |
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Rep. Layton made a motion to return Item No. F28.401 to Committee; said motion was seconded and approved by a vote of 32-1-3 (Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Pia, Savage,

Skigen, Sklover, Taylor, Uva, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Coleman and Heaphy opposed; Reps. Kaufman and Summerville abstaining). (See [Vote Record No. 1342](#)).

2. [F28.402](#)      ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION (Capital Budget);      **RETURNED TO**  
\$2,000,000.00      WPCA; Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation; to reline main      **COMMITTEE**  
trunk line into treatment plant and sewers at various      **31-1-4**  
streets.  
12/12/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/11/12 – Approved by Planning Board  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 9-0-1

A motion to return Item No. F28.402 to Committee was made and seconded.

Rep. Zelinsky asked whether it is necessary that the WPCA Board vote for these requests or is it satisfactory for just the Mayor to submit these items. Rep. Fedeli stated that the WPCA Board approves the budget that comes before the Board of Representatives, so that does not come from the Mayor's Office, it comes from the WPCA Board. Her assumption is that an additional appropriation to that budget, which they approved, should also come through that Board. Since WPCA board members did not attend, it should be returned for further review.

Rep. Kaufman stated that he is not certain whether this was approved by the WPCA Board. Normally, the WPCA would take up an item such as this and it does approve appropriations.

The motion was approved by a vote of 31-1-4 (Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Day, DeLuca, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Pia, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Taylor, Uva, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Coleman opposed; Reps. DePina, Kaufman, McGarry and Summerville abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1343](#)).

3. [F28.403](#)      RESOLUTION; amending the capital budget for FY      **RETURNED TO**  
2012-13 by adding appropriations of \$4,000,000 for      **COMMITTEE**  
various water pollution control projects and      **32-1-3**  
authorizing \$4 million general obligation bonds or  
revenue bonds of the City to meet said  
appropriations.  
12/17/12 – Submitted by Peter Privitera  
12/17/12 – Approved by Board of Finance  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 9-0-1

Clerk Summerville asked why this was being sent to Committee if it should have come before the Board from the WPCA. Rep. Fedeli stated that this is a process question, and the process should be that it should have come from the WPCA Board to the Mayor's Office to the BOR. Perhaps the President can suggest to the administration that it was returned because it has not gone through the process. Perhaps it goes on the WPCA's next meeting agenda and be resubmitted.

Rep. Kaufman stated that the WPCA Board meets on Wednesday, and he will advise them of the situation and bring this up at that time. He will confirm the process and determine whether this needs to be taken up as an emergency item.

Rep. Day stated that he concurs with Clerk Summerville's statement and that it could be a complete nullity if it was improperly presented and it may need to be started over.

A motion to return Item No. F28.403 to Committee was made, seconded and approved by a vote of 32-1-3 (Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Pia, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Taylor, Uva, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. Coleman opposed; Reps. Kaufman, McGarry and Summerville abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1344](#)).

**LEGISLATIVE & RULES  
COMMITTEE:**

**Eileen Heaphy, Chair  
Arthur Layton, Vice Chair**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:**

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**Mary Fedeli, Chair**

**Polly Rauh, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Monday, December 17, 2012

6:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

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Meeting: Monday, January 7, 2013

6:45 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Fedeli reported that the Personnel Committee met on December 17, 2012. In attendance were Chair Fedeli and Committee Member Reps. Figueroa, Gabriele, Layton and McNeil. Absent or excused were Committee Member Reps. Rauh and Velishka. Also present were President Skigen; Ted Jankowski, Director of Public Safety, Health and Welfare; Clemon Williams, Assistant Director, Human Resources; Winnie

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Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools; Hugh Murphy and Fay Ruotolo, Stamford Public Schools; Geoff Alswanger, President, Board of Education; and Tom Mooney and Sara Fucci, Shipman & Goodwin.

Chair Fedeli also reported that the Personnel Committee met on January 7, 2013. Present were Chair Fedeli and Committee Member Reps. Figueroa, Gabriele, Layton and McNeil; excused were Committee Member Reps. Rauh and Velishka. Also present were Emmet Hibson, Director of HR; Winnie Hamilton, Superintendent of Schools; Geoff Alswanger, Board of Ed President and Hugh Murphy, Executive Director of Finance, SPS.

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| 1. P28.084 | REJECTION; of a collective bargaining agreement between the City of Stamford Board of Education and the Stamford Teachers' Union.<br>12/02/12 – Submitted by Rep. Rauh<br>12/17/12 – <a href="#">Positive Advisory</a> by Board of Finance<br>12/17/12 – Held in Committee<br>01/07/13 – Committee Failed to reject 0-4-0 | <b>FAILED TO<br/>REJECT BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b> |
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Chair Fedeli stated that 1) this is a 3-year contract; 2) this settlement results in a cost of 8.62% over three years, 3) it is inclusive of the step and wage increase over that 3-year period; 4) It is comparable to what other municipalities in FF County are receiving; and 5) the Teachers took a 0% increase in the last negotiation. Cost savings will be achieved in the long run due to changes in the severance benefits. Currently, they get 15 sick days a year, and at retirement can receive 20% of the days accumulated in that bank. This is frozen at July 1<sup>st</sup> for existing teachers and new teachers will not get this benefit. The Board of Finance gave a favorable opinion.

A motion to reject Item No. P28.084 was made, seconded and failed by unanimous voice vote (Note: Rep. White left the floor during the discussion and vote; Rep. Cerasoli abstained).

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| 2. P28.082 | APPROVAL; of an employment contract with Police Chief Jon Fontneau.<br>11/16/12 – Submitted by Mayor Michael A. Pavia<br>12/17/12 – Committee approved 5-0-0<br>01/07/13 – Committee approved 5-0-0 ( <i>as amended</i> ) | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>UNANIMOUS<br/>VOICE VOTE</b><br><i>(Rep. Franzetti<br/>abstaining)</i> |
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Chair Fedeli stated that this is a five-year contract. The Committee met this evening to approve two changes to the contract. First, they amended the vacation time to conform to his current Assistant Chief contract. Second, he was allotted 13 ½ holidays, and this contract now reflects that amount. His salary is at \$138,311.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the contract was approved unanimously.

3. [P28.083](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;  
amending Chapter 47, Personnel, Section 47-23,  
Policy Declared regarding non-discrimination.  
12/03/12 – Submitted by President Skigen  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 5-0-0 **APPROVED  
ON CONSENT  
AGENDA**
  
4. [P28.085](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;  
amending Chapter 40, Officers and Employees,  
Article XXVII, Assistant Fire Chief to create the two  
Assistant Fire Chiefs (Career Firefighters and  
Volunteer Firefighters) as approved by the electors in  
the November 2012 election.  
12/03/12 – Submitted by President Skigen  
12/17/12 – Committee approved 5-0-0 **APPROVED BY  
UNANIMOUS  
VOICE VOTE**

Chair Fedeli stated that this amends the current Assistant Fire Chief ordinance to create what was passed in Charter Revision.

Rep. Zelinsky asked if the salaries would be identical. Chair Fedeli stated she will have that information next month.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of Item No. 3, was made, seconded and approved by unanimous voice vote.

#### **LAND USE/URBAN**

#### **REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:**

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**Harry Day, Chair**

Meeting: Thursday, January 3, 2013  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Day reported that the Land Use-Urban Redevelopment Committee met on January 3, 2013. Present were: Chair Day and Committee Member Reps. Fountain, Lombardo, McGarry and McMullen. Excused were Committee Member Reps. Kaufman and Summerville. Also present were Reps. Franzetti and Taylor; Vikki Cooper, Esq., Deputy Corporation Counsel; Nia Rhodes Jackson of the Mill River Collaborative; and Wes Haynes and Marshall Millsap of the Historic Neighborhood Preservation Program.

1. [LU28.047](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication;  
establishing a Historic Preservation Commission.  
08/08/12 – Submitted by Rep. Taylor **HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**

08/28/12, 09/04/12, 09/24/12, 10/01/12, 11/28/12,  
12/03/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee  
09/24/12 – Held in Committee  
11/28/12, 12/03/12 – Report Made & Held in  
Committee  
01/03/13 – Held in Committee

2. [LU28.052](#) PROPOSED ORDINANCE; for publication; amending Chapter 21, Facilities, City-Owned, Commemorative Naming of Streets.  
10/01/12 – Submitted by President Skigen  
10/23/12, 11/13/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee  
11/28/12, 12/03/12 – Held in Committee  
01/03/13 – Committee approved 5-0-0

**APPROVED  
BY MACHINE  
VOTE  
29-4-1**

A motion to approve Item No.LU28.052 was made and seconded.

Rep. Zelinsky stated the BOR approved three commemorative street names because these three people contributed greatly to Stamford and/or the neighborhood. It is beyond his comprehension to take the sign down after 25 years. He is not in favor of this, and removing the sign would be insulting to the relatives. He will vote against it

The motion was approved by a machine vote of 29-4-1 (Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kaufman, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Summerville, Taylor, Uva, Wallace, White and Young in favor; Reps. Adams, Figueroa, Gabriele and Zelinsky opposed; Rep. Pia abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1345](#)).

3. [LU28.050](#) REVIEW; construction work at Star Meadow Ranch, Erskine Road.  
09/04/12 – Submitted by President Skigen  
09/24/12, 10/01/12, 10/23/12, 11/13/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee  
11/28/12, 12/03/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee  
01/03/13 – Executive Session/No Report

**NO  
REPORT/NO  
ACTION**

*Secondary Committee: Operations*

4. LU28.058 APPROVAL; of an exception to Code Section 72-2 to provide for the serving and consumption of liquor at

**HELD IN  
COMMITTEE**



the gala event scheduled for May 2, 2013  
commemorating the opening of Mill River Park.  
12/05/12 – Submitted by Chair Day  
01/03/13 – Held in Committee

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**     **Joseph Coppola, Jr., Co-Chair**  
  **John R. Zelinsky, Co-Chair**  
  - No Meeting -

1. O28.062     REVIEW; replacement of bus stop shelters.     **NO ACTION  
TAKEN**  
11/19/12 – Submitted by Rep. Figueroa
  
2. O28.063     REVIEW; status of response by Board of Finance to     **NO ACTION  
TAKEN**  
[Resolution No. 3533](#) (10/1/12) requesting an audit of  
the WPCA.  
12/04/12 – Submitted by Chair Zelinsky
  
3. O28.064     REVIEW; amending the definition of the Executive     **NO ACTION  
TAKEN**  
Director of the WPCA.  
12/07/12 – Submitted by Rep. Uva

**PUBLIC SAFETY &  
HEALTH COMMITTEE:**     **Gloria G. DePina, Co-Chair**  
  **Ralph Loglisci, Co-Chair**  
  **Anabel Figueroa, Vice Chair**

**PARKS & RECREATION  
COMMITTEE:**             **Pat White, Chair**

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE:**     **Andy Sklover, Chair**  
[Attendance](#)  
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[Video](#)                     **Mary Savage & Frank Cerasoli, Co-Vice Chairs**  
Meeting: Wednesday, December 19, 2012  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Sklover reported that the Education Committee met on December 19, 2012.  
Present were Chair Sklover and Committee Member Reps. Savage, Layton, Cerasoli,

Wallace and Young; excused was Committee Member Rep. Taylor. Also present was Celeste Johnson.

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| 1. E28.032 | REVIEW; update on the Wright Tech Facility and discussion of a proposed 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Student-Chosen Technical Learning Environment.<br>12/02/12 – Submitted by Chair Sklover, Mr. Kaufman<br>12/19/12 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b> |
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*Secondary Committee: State & Commerce*

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| 2. E28.033 | REVIEW; SAC applications, schedule and conduct student interviews.<br>12/06/12 – Submitted by Chair Sklover<br>12/19/12 – Report Made | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b> |
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#### **HOUSING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/**

#### **SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:**

**Elaine Mitchell, Chair**

**Philip Giordano, Vice Chair**

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Meeting: Wednesday, December 19, 2012

6:30 p.m. – Democratic Caucus Room

Vice Chair Giordano reported that the HCD-SS Committee met on December 19, 2012. Present were Chair Mitchell, Vice Chair Giordano and Committee Member Reps. McNeil, Cerasoli, Uva, Wallace and Young. Also present was Tim Beeble, Director of Community Development.

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| 1. HCD28.044                 | REVIEW; September 2012 merger of CTE, Inc. and NEON, Inc., and APPROVAL of assignment of CTE'S CDBG grant allocation to NEON, Inc.<br>10/03/12 – Submitted by Tim Beeble<br>10/16/12, 11/13/12 – Report Made & Held in Committee<br>12/19/12 – Held in Committee 6-0-0 | <b>HELD IN<br/>COMMITTEE</b>  |
| 2. <a href="#">HCD28.046</a> | REVIEW; Below Market Rate Apartment pipeline.<br>10/03/12 – Submitted by Tim Beeble<br>12/19/12 – Report Made  | <b>REPORT<br/>MADE</b>        |
| 3. <a href="#">HCD28.047</a> | APPROVAL; of a request by the Food Bank to use \$18,952 of Year 38 funding designated for roof   | <b>NO ACTION<br/>REQUIRED</b> |

replacement to weatherproofing the exterior of the building..

12/07/12 – Submitted by Tim Beeble

12/19/12 –Committee approved 6-0-0

4. [HCD28.048](#) APPROVAL; of Year 39 Budget Schedule/Calendar. **NO ACTION REQUIRED**  
12/07/12 – Submitted by Tim Beeble  
12/19/12 –Committee approved 6-0-0

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

**Robert “Gabe” DeLuca, Chair**

**Terry Adams, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Thursday, December 20, 2012

6:30 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

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Chair DeLuca reported that the Transportation Committee met on December 20, 2012. Present were Chair DeLuca, Vice Chair Adams and Committee Member Reps. Coleman, Giordano, Lombardo, McMullen and Young. Also present were Ernie Orgera, Director of Operations and John Ruotolo, DSSD.

1. [T28.034](#) RESOLUTION; & APPROVAL of public hearing; extending the 24 hour/7 day operations of the Bell, Bedford and Summer Street parking garages **APPROVED BY MACHINE VOTE 31-5-0**  
12/02/12 – Submitted by Chair DeLuca  
12/19/12 –Committee approved 5-2-0

Chair DeLuca moved Item No. 1; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Adams moved to return the item to committee so that proper documents can be submitted at the next meeting to support the contention that there is enough revenue to support the 24/7 operation of the garages. As of August 6, 2012, there was a shortfall of \$176,500 to operate 24/7. He added that the additional appropriation request cites a “shortfall” in the account. The documentation was not provided at the last meeting.

Chair DeLuca stated that Mr. Orgera humbly apologized for that appropriation wording in that the request was to correct an error. The funds were never requested, and there was no shortfall. The City is earning about \$786,425 per year in profit by keeping the garages open. This information was distributed to the committee, confirmed by Mr. Turk and Mr. Orgera. Further, this is for publication, and to send it back to committee would be an error.

Rep. Adams stated that this was supposed to be for a trial basis. The bid went out, and it was for \$144,000 (or \$12,000/month). There has been no documentation that there is

an increase of \$12,000/monthly in revenue. This Board suspended its rules to take up the earlier additional appropriation. The documentation to support that appropriation was misleading at best; at most, it stated that the 24/7 extended hours was costing us \$5,300/month. This contract required the addition of 3 individuals (one for each of the 3 garages) for an entire year. He is requesting that it go back so that the documentation can be presented to show what the garage revenue was for the past 3 years, what the revenue was for the last year (since the hours were extended), then there should be enough new usage to cover the \$144,000 in additional costs.

Rep. Cerasoli asked Rep. DeLuca what kind of shortfall was reported by Mr. Orgera that would have generated a profit of \$786,000 down to a shortfall of \$176,000. Mr. DeLuca responded that when Mr. Orgera prepared his budget, his staff did not include the \$176,000 to pay the contractor. Mr. Cerasoli responded that he still questions why the \$176,000 would be needed if the garages are generating a profit of \$786,425 per year. If you deduct the \$176,000 from the profit amount, you still would have a positive balance. Rep. DeLuca reviewed the numbers.

A motion to return Item No. T28.034 to Committee was made, seconded and FAILED by a vote of 14-22-0 (Reps. Adams, Cerasoli, Coleman, Figueroa, Gabriele, Giraldo, Heaphy, Mallozzi, McGarry, McNeil, Sklover, Uva, Wallace and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Caterbone, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Giordano, Kaufman, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, McMullen, Merritt, Pia, Savage, Skigen, Summerville, Taylor, White and Young opposed) (See [Vote Record No. 1346](#)).

A motion to approve Item No. T28.034 for a public hearing was made, seconded and approved by a machine vote of 31-5-0 (Reps. Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Giordano, Giraldo, Kaufman, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McMullen, McNeil, Merritt, Pia, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Summerville, Taylor, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Adams, Figueroa, Gabriele, Heaphy and Uva opposed) (See [Vote Record No. 1347](#)).

**STATE & COMMERCE COMMITTEE: Mitchell Kaufman, Chair**

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**Salvatore Gabriele, Vice Chair**

Meeting: Wednesday, January 2, 2013

6:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Kaufman reported that the State & Commerce Committee met on January 2, 2013. Present were Chair Kaufman and Committee Member Reps. Gabriele, Frazis, Lombardo and Sklover. Excused were Committee Member Reps. Heaphy and Summerville. Also present was Laure Aubuchon, Director of Economic Development.

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| 1. <a href="#">SC28.019</a> | RESOLUTION; approving the Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-Pace) agreement.<br>12/05/12 – Submitted by Chair Kaufman<br>12/19/12 –Committee approved 6-0-0 | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>MACHINE<br/>VOTE<br/>34-1-1</b> |
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Chair Kaufman moved Item No. SC28.019; said motion was seconded.

Rep. McMullen stated it was his understanding that the City administers part of the program, and no one is really sure of the size of the program. The City is being asked to administer a program in which it is not really directly involved. It is a state program, and the City’s success rate with things like the WPCA, and administering their program, does not seem to be great. He questions why the City would take on this additional responsibility. He opposes the resolution.

The item was approved by a machine vote of 34-1-1 (Reps. Adams, Cerasoli, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kaufman, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McNeil, Merritt, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Summerville, Uva, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Reps. Caterbone, Coleman, McMullen and Taylor opposed; Rep. Pia abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1348](#)).

## SPECIAL COMMITTEES

### STAMFORD WATER

#### SUPPLY:

[Attendance](#) & [Votes](#)  
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**Mitchell Kaufman, Chair**

Meeting: Wednesday, January 2, 2013  
7:00 p.m. – Republican Caucus Room

Chair Kaufman reported that the Stamford Water Supply Special Committee met on January 2, 2013. Present were Chair Kaufman and Committee Member Reps. Day, Savage, Sklover and Taylor. Also present were Rep. Gabriele and Sheryl Sabato, Health Department Laboratory Director.

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| 1. <a href="#">NS28.014</a> | PROPOSED ORDINANCE; <u>for publication</u> ;<br>amending Chapter 143, Health Systems, Section<br>143-14 Providing for the Testing of Water in Private<br>Wells, to extend the time period for testing.<br>08/02/12 – Submitted by President Skigen<br>10/17/12 – Held in Committee<br>12/19/12 –Committee approved 4-0-1<br>01/07/13 – Approved for publication | <b>APPROVED BY<br/>MACHINE<br/>VOTE<br/>34-1-1</b> |
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Chair Kaufman moved Item No. NS28.014; said motion was seconded.

Rep. Zelinsky stated it was the initial understanding that the pollution was connected to Scofieldtown Park, but after investigation, it was concluded that the history of private and commercial pesticides was to blame. He asked if there was any information that contradicts this conclusion. Mr. Kaufman stated that the City does not have a clear understanding of the source of the contamination. Mr. Zelinsky stated that the City agreed to extend the ordinance through 12/31/15. The minutes of the meeting state that the existing ordinance expires on January 1, 2014. Mr. Kaufman responded that the intention was to extend the ordinance through 2015. This will give additional information from which to draw conclusions and assist moving forward. President Skigen stated it went into effect January 1, 2012. The technician was not hired until April-May of 2012, and it was scheduled to conclude on December 31, 2013. The proposal of the Committee is to take it to December 31, 2015.

Mr. McMullen stated he is concerned that the information being collected is not providing the city with information it can use to identify the source of these contaminants. It sounds like other towns in the region are going in the same direction. This seems more appropriately handled by the State, not by the City. He does not support the program; it is a state problem, not a city problem.

Rep. Day stated that when this was initially debated, there was much discussion about the purpose, particularly from a public health standpoint. But, at this point in time, changing where we are right now, is not the way to go. We have embarked on a program that he did not originally support. He was proven wrong as to the enthusiasm of North Stamford residents to participate in the program. This program is continuing to highlight the problem, and encourages people to find out about their water. If the program is stopped, chances are the process will slow down. Ultimately, the problem will take care of itself because eventually you will not be able to sell a house until appropriate tests have been done. The awareness of this problem is gaining strength in Stamford and throughout the State. It is probably prudent to continue it for two years, not the six as was originally proposed. The City does not have the responsibility to install equipment in private homes, and everyone agrees with that position. But this is a reasonable course to follow down the middle of the road for the time being.

Rep. Uva added that the State has begun to look at this issue; there are a couple of pilot programs in other towns. She asked what is being done with the data. Mr. Kaufman stated that we are collaborating with the State in many ways. The Stamford Health Department is also advising and consulting on the program. There is a private committee – CAP, and that is also a separate, community effort that collaborates with the City and the State. The data itself is being managed by City staff, and that information is shared with the State. We haven't drawn any conclusions yet, other than there is contamination. We need additional information to draw conclusions and come up with a plan on how to remediate the issue at the source.

President Skigen noted that the name of the committee has been named Stamford Water Supply Special Committee, removing the reference to North Stamford, as homes below the parkway have had contamination.

Rep. Taylor stated that she was originally against the extension, but has since changed her mind. There is a year left in the current program, and she believes there are enough questions that we need answer to before going to a public hearing. Among those questions would be a clearer idea of what we might be able to learn from the data. We have shown that the contamination is widespread. Unless the State DEEP gets involved and helps interpret the data, we might be forestalling what really needs to be done – that is, finding a solution for the community. As people are waiting to have their water tested, their wells could be contaminated. In addition, if we do approve the extension, we will need to go back to the testing lab to ensure they will keep the same price. There are also questions as to whether we should change the items we are testing for. She thinks we need these answers before going out to the community for public input. Also, the CAP (Community Assistance Program) has been working with the Alliance Testing Company, and started the Stamford Well Water Initiative. Any homeowner can call Alliance today, and for a discounted rate of \$164.50 (plus tax) can get more immediate testing. This provides an alternative to the community while the Board parses out the answers to the other questions.

Rep. Gabriele stated that this item is for publication, and at next month's meeting, those concerns can be addressed. He supports the item for publication.

The ordinance was approved for publication by a machine vote of 34-1-1 (Reps. Adams, Caterbone, Cerasoli, Coleman, Day, DeLuca, DePina, Fedeli, Figueroa, Fountain, Franzetti, Frazis, Gabriele, Giordano, Giraldo, Heaphy, Kaufman, Layton, Loglisci, Lombardo, Mallozzi, McGarry, McNeil, Merritt, Pia, Savage, Skigen, Sklover, Summerville, Uva, Wallace, White, Young and Zelinsky in favor; Rep. McMullen opposed; Rep. Taylor abstaining) (See [Vote Record No. 1349](#)).

## MINUTES

1. [December 3, 2012 Regular Board Meeting](#)

**APPROVED  
BY  
UNANIMOUS  
VOICE VOTE**

## ADJOURNMENT



The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

*This meeting is on [video](#).*