

To: Mayor Gene F. Eriquez and Members of the Common Council

Re: Minutes of the Special Common Council Meeting held November 20, 1989.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Mayor Eriquez. Mr. Boughton led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Esposito offered the prayer. Roll Call was taken with the members being recorded as:

PRESENT - Fazio, Kilcullen, Falzone, Gallo, Coladarci, Mack, J. Esposito, Farah, D. Esposito, Gogliettino, Smith, Cassano, Charles, Boughton, Boynton, Butera, DaSilva, Regan, Scozzafava, Valeri.

ABSENT - Zotos

20 Present - 1 Absent

Mr. Zotos was out of the Country.

Probate Judge Robert Talarico administered the oath of office to Councilman Farah.

NOTICE OF THE SPECIAL MEETING: To be held on the 20th day of November 1989 in the Common Council Chambers in City Hall for the purpose of acting upon the following:

1. RESOLUTION - Regular Meeting dates of the Common Council
2. RESOLUTION - Special Meetings of the Common Council
3. Election of Common Council President
4. COMMUNICATION - Waiver of Bid

Mr. DaSilva made a motion to accept the call. Seconded by Mr. Falzone. Motion carried unanimously.

#### MAYOR'S NOTICES

Mayor Eriquez congratulated all newly elected Common Council Members and stated that his door would always be opened and he looked forward to working cooperatively with each one.

Mayor Eriquez announced that on December 3, 1989 the annual wood sale would be conducted at the landfill from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and that the Council should choose the organizations to which the proceeds should be donated.

The Mayor stated that he and State Representative Robert Godfrey attended a ceremony at the Police Department called Red Ribbon Project sponsored by MADD and urged all citizens to exercise caution against drinking and driving.

Mayor Eriquez wished all the citizens of Danbury a Happy and Safe Thanksgiving.

Mr. DaSilva asked that State Representative Godfrey be allowed to approach the dais. Representative Godfrey presented Mayor Eriquez with a proclamation from the State Legislative delegation.

- 1 - RESOLUTION - Regular Meeting dates of the Common Council.

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

That the regular meetings of the Common Council of the City of Danbury for the 1989-91 term shall be held at 8:00 P.M. in the Common Council Chambers in City Hall, 155 Deer Hill Avenue, Danbury, Connecticut on the following days:

January 3, 1990  
February 6, 1990  
March 6, 1990  
April 3, 1990  
May 1, 1990  
June 5, 1990  
July 3, 1990  
August 7, 1990  
September 5, 1990  
October 2, 1990  
November 8, 1990  
December 4, 1990

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June 4, 1991  
July 2, 1991  
August 6, 1991  
September 4, 1991  
October 1, 1991  
November 7, 1991

Each such date being the first Tuesday of the month, except January 1990 and 1991, September, 1990 and November 1990 and 1991 to allow for New Year's Day, Labor Day and Election Day.

Mr. Boynton made a motion that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Boughton. Motion carried unanimously.

2 - RESOLUTION - Special Meetings of the Common Council

RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

1. When Held - Special Meetings of the Common Council may be held whenever, in the opinion of the Mayor, or in his absence the Acting Mayor, the interests of the City shall require and shall be so held whenever seven members of the Common Council shall so require in writing.

2. Warning - All Special Meetings of the Common Council shall be warned by a written or printed Notice signed by the Mayor or Acting Mayor and left with or at the usual place of abode or place of business of each member of the Common Council to be convened not less than 24 hours before the hour specified for said meeting, except in case of an emergency Special Meeting.

Said Notice shall specify the time and place the meeting is to be held and shall be directed to any police officer of the City to serve and return.

3. Return of Service of Warning - The Return of the Police Officer serving Warning of any Special Meeting of the Common Council shall be evidence that such meeting has been warned as stated in such return.

4. Items to be Considered - Only those items of business listed on said Notice shall be considered, discussed and acted upon.

Mr. Boynton made a motion that the Resolution be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Charles. Motion carried unanimously.

3 - ELECTION OF COMMON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Eriquez opened to floor to nominations. Mrs. Butera placed in motion the name of Councilman Joseph DaSilva for the office of Common Council President. Mr. Esposito seconded the nomination.

Mr. Farah placed in nomination the name of Councilman Louis Charles for the office of Common Council President. Seconded by Mr. Gallo.

Mr. Charles moved that the nominations be closed. Seconded by Mr. Boughton.

Roll call was taken with the members voting as follows:

DaSilva - Fazio, Kilcullen, Coladarci, Mack, J. Esposito, D. Esposito, Gogliettino, Smith, Boynton, Butera, DaSilva, Regan, Scozzafava, Valeri

Charles - Gallo, Farah, Cassano, Charles, Boughton

15 for Mr. DaSilva - 5 for Mr. Charles. Mr. DaSilva was elected Common Council President.

Mr. Charles made a motion to declare the election of Mr. DaSilva unanimous. Seconded by Mr. Farah. Motion carried unanimously.

4 - COMMUNICATION - Letter from Richard Palanzo asking for waiver of the bids for the old library ceiling project. Mrs. Butera made a motion that the communication be adopted and the bids waived. Seconded by Mr. Boynton.

Mr. Esposito questioned the ramifications of dispensing with the bond requirements. Mayor Eriquez stated that this is such a small project that contractors just are not interested in bidding and asked Mr. Setaro to explain further. Mr. Setaro explained that the project would run about \$2,500 to \$3,000 and it is not economically feasible for contractors to take on this type of a project.

Mr. Esposito stated that he was still not convinced. Mr. Boughton that he initially had some concern but because the project was for such a small amount it would be in the best interest of the City to approve the waiver of the bids.

Mr. Boynton offered an amendment to require the Purchasing Agent and the Board of Awards to notify the Council of the quotations it receives. Seconded by Mr. Fazio. Motion carried with Mr. Esposito voting in the negative.

Mrs. Gogliettino asked if the contractor must submit proof of insurance. Mrs. Gogliettino then made an amendment to include that the contractor must submit proof of insurance. Seconded by Mr. Charles. Motion carried with Mr. Esposito voting in the negative.

The main motion as amended carried with Mr. Esposito voting in the negative.

There were no members of the public wishing to address the Common Council.

There being no further business to come before the Common Council a motion was made by Mr. Charles for the meeting to be adjourned at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

  
JIMMETTA L. SAMAHA  
Assistant City Clerk

ATTEST:

  
Elizabeth Crudginton  
City Clerk