

TO: Honorable Mayor James E. Dyer - City of Danbury, Connecticut
SUBJECT: Minutes of the Common Council Meeting held on February 2, 1982.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 O'Clock P.M. by his honor Mayor James E. Dyer, who led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Common Council Prayer was offered by Councilman Edward T. Torian.

Roll Call was taken by the City Clerk, Elizabeth Crudginton with the following members being recorded as:

PRESENT: Council Members - Elder, Gallo, McGarry, Foti, Torcaso, Eriquez, Esposito, Repole, Zotos, Eppoliti, McManus, DaSilva, Torian, White, Cassano, Charles, Boynton, Burke, Evans, Farah.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Janet Butera who was absent due to medical reasons.

20 Members Present - 1 Member Absent.

NOTICES FROM MAYOR DYER

Mayor Dyer announced that Marion Anderson was recently honored at Carnegie Hall and will be honored at City Hall during the month of February.

The Mayor also extended Birthday Greetings to his secretary Rose Ann Setaro who will celebrate her birthday on Thursday, Feb. 4th and to Councilman Elder who will celebrate on the 21st and Councilman Eriquez whose birthday is February 9th.

Mayor Dyer wished a speedy recovery for Councilwoman Janet Butera.

The Mayor offered congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Russell on the occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary, and to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph (Alice) Williams for their Thirty-Sixth Wedding Anniversary.

Mayor Dyer noted that we are in the centennial year of the birth of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt who was a President who cared a great deal about his country and its people.

Mayor Dyer announced that the Contingency Account will be completely depleted after tonight's meeting and noted that the Mayor must approve all Certifications before they are submitted by the Comptroller or Director of Finance, Acting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilman Joseph DaSilva submitted the following items listed on the Agenda to be placed on the Consent Calendar:

- ✓ 04-Communication & Certification - Request for funds for Pembroke Cemetery Association.
- 021-Communication - Appointment to Richter Park Authority.
- 023-Communication - Appointments to the Youth Commission.
- 025-Report & Resolution - South St. Sewer Assessments.
- 026-Report & Resolution - Fourth St. Sewer Project.
- ✓ 028-Report & Certification - Funds for Women's Center.
- ✓ 029-Report & Certification - Funds for Welfare Dept. re: Equipment etc.
- ✓ 031-Report & Certification - Funds for Welfare Dept. re: Evictions.
- ✓ 032-Report & Certification - Groundman for Forestry Department.
- ✓ 034-Report & Certification - Funds for H.A.R.T.
- 038-Report - Water Extension for property of B. Ginty on LaMar Rd.
- 039-Report - Sewers for Farm Shop Rt. 6 -Newtown Road.
- 040-Report - Sewers for Exxon Corp. Mill Plain Road.
- 041-Report - Sewers for E. Hawley -Germantown Road.
- 042-Report - Request for Safety Equipment for Danbury Fire Dept.

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- 43-Report - Drainage problem at Stonegate Estates.
 - 44-Report - Dredging of City Reservoirs.
 - 45-Report - Traffic Light at Osborne & Balmforth Ave.
 - 48-Report - Repair of water service.
 - 49-Report - Sewer Assessments for Elderly - Deferred payment of principal.
 - 50-Report - Air Controllers.
 - 51-Report - Sub-leasing of hangar at Danbury Airport.
 - 52-Report - Request from WeCAHR.
 - 53-Report - Health Committee Progress Report re: Water restrictors, etc.

Mayor Dyer asked for any additions or corrections, recognized Councilman Boynton who asked that number 022 of the Agenda, be placed on the Consent Calendar re: appointments of Ward Mazzucco and Nicholas Falzone to the Environmental Impact Commission.

Councilman Boynton then requested the deletion from the Consent Calendar of the following:

- 04- Communication & Certification - Request for funds for Pembroke Cemetery Association.
- 08- Report & Certification - Funds for Women's Center.
- 09- Report & Certification - Funds for Welfare Dept. re: Equipment etc.
- 31- Report & Certification - Funds for Welfare Dept. re: Evictions.
- 32- Report & Certification - Groundman for Forestry Department.
- 34- Report & Certification - Funds for H.A.R.T.

Mayor Dyer asked Mr. Boynton if he had specific reasons for this action. Councilman Boynton replied that these items are "funds being appropriated and I would like to have them go to a vote".

Mayor Dyer: "Is that the only reason you have Mr. Boynton?" Mr. Boynton replied "That is correct".

It was questioned whether or not we can add 022 to the Consent Calendar. Councilman Zotos then requested that 022 be removed from the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Dyer asked Mr. Boynton "You are requesting that these items be removed in order to vote on them in a different manner, is that correct" to which Mr. Boynton replied "that is correct, referring to your statement regarding financial conditions"

Mayor Dyer stated that these items have already gone through committee - your basic motion is for them to be removed from the Consent Calendar for handling in a different manner, correct? Mr. Boynton replied "correct".

Mayor Dyer: "Then I would rule the motion out of order Mr. Boynton, in accordance with Article 6, Section 40 of Roberts Rules of Order because it is a dilatory action."

Councilman Boynton "May I say in light of the Ordinance on the Consent Calendar that any councilperson has the right to remove any item from the Consent Calendar before it goes for a vote"

Mayor Dyer: That is right Mr. Boynton but the chair has ruled your motion out of order in that it is dilatory, in accordance with Roberts Rules of Order.

Mr. Boynton: Do you mind explaining how Roberts Rules takes precedent.

Mayor Dyer: Because we operate under Roberts Rules of Order, and the chair can rule in accordance with Roberts Rules and the chair has ruled in accordance with Roberts Rules in that it is a dilatory motion deliberately designed to delay action which we know the body is already going to take.

Mr. Boynton: Your Honor I would like to delete the following: 04 - 028 - 029 - 031 - 032 - 034.

Mayor Dyer: What is the reason Mr. Boynton.

Mr. Boynton - The reason is that they are all requests for funds.

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Mayor Dyer: Mr. Boynton I am going to make the same ruling. You are out of order. Your action is dilatory and also in accordance with Roberts Rules the chair is permitted to refuse a recognition of further similar motions from the same individual member. If it is the will of the body to withdraw the consent calendar as proposed by Mr. DaSilva, for specific reasons, then certainly those are proper motions.

Councilman DaSilva: Mr. Mayor as you know, I am one of the two people that makes the Consent Calendar. I was on the original committee two years ago that proposed the adoption of a Consent Calendar. I really do not understand the meaning of dilatory and I would ask the Corporation Counsel, through the chair to give a ruling on that.

Corporation Counsel Theodore H. Goldstein: The chair has the sole authority to determine whether a request^{for} a motion is dilatory under Roberts Rules of Order.

Mr. DaSilva: Would you please explain the meaning of dilatory Sir.

Mayor Dyer: The definition of dilatory is, "needless delay." The Mayor read in more detail from Roberts Rules of Order to explain.

Councilman White: Well then your honor, I don't know exactly why I am sitting here. I thought it was the purpose of this legislative body to be able to exercise a vote in whether they appropriate funds or not.

Mayor Dyer: You are absolutely correct Mr. White, and you have exercised it in a manner¹⁰ which you said in your caucus that you wanted to have a Consent Calendar and you agreed to place these items on the consent calendar. Mr. Boynton's original motion was that he wanted to vote on it in a different way - a large number of items that were for no other reasons to be voted on in a different way, delaying the meeting.

Mr. White: What I am understanding here is that Mr. Boynton is changing his mind in going along with the consent calendar and is asking to exercise his prerogative to remove these items from the consent calendar.

Mayor Dyer: The chair has the obligation to quiry him as to what specific reasons he may have.

Mr. Boynton: Your honor, the consent calendar as I understand it, gives unanimous consent from this body. I wish to vote no on all these items.

Mayor Dyer: Then that is what your motion should have said originally. If you had inquired to the chair ahead of time you could have been advised of the parliamentary procedure you would have liked to follow. Is it now your intention to remove these items from the consent calendar because you wish to cast a negative vote?

Mr. Boynton: That is correct.

Mayor Dyer: Then your order is in proper fashion at this point in time. The Mayor asked the clerk to repeat the numbers that Mr. Boynton wished to have removed.

Mrs. Crudginton repeated the following numbers - 04, 028, 029, 031, 032, and 034.

Mayor Dyer asked for any further additions or deletions from the consent calendar. Hearing none, the Mayor called for a vote on the consent calendar as proposed and amended.

The consent calendar as amended was adopted unanimously.

Minutes of the Common Council meeting held on January 5, 1982 and on January 11, 1982.

A motion was made by Councilman DaSilva and seconded by Councilman Torian for the minutes to be accepted as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

01-CLAIMS - Leonard Musso - Heidi Muehlfeld - Bonnie Veach & Harry Veach - Shirley Melnyk - Joseph LoStocco III - Karen V. Kopic - William E. Bowman, Jr. - Cathy Flanagan - Norwalk Hospital Re; Sven Johansson.

Councilman DaSilva requested referral of the Claims to the Claims committee and Corporation Counsel for Claims (Attorney Thomas G. West). Mayor Dyer so ordered.

02-Communication & Certification - Request from Mr. John P. Edwards who certified the availability of \$16,764.85 in the State Contingency Account and \$65,270.15 in unappropriated Fund Balance (Surplus) to be transferred for Utility Service and Heating Fuel in the City Hall Building, Library Building, Police Station Building and the Old Library Building. Total \$82,035.00.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman McGarry for the communication to be accepted and transfer of funds authorized.

Councilman Boynton then requested referral to committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and referred the matter to the Public Works Committee asking them to act as soon as possible stating that a Special Meeting would be necessary for the Common Council to act on the request.

03- Communication & Certification - Request for \$70,000 for winter materials (Salt, Sand, Maintenance) plus an additional \$65,000 for sand to comply with D.E.P. in covering for the Landfill.

A certification was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Acting Director of Finance, in the amount of \$135,000 in the State Contingency Account to be transferred to the following accounts:

Snow & Ice - Ice Control Materials	- #02-03-112-047002	-- \$70,000.
Refuse Disposal - Fill	- #02-03-126-047005	-- \$65,000.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Enriquez for the communication to be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

04-Communication & Certification - Request from the Pembroke Cemetery Association for \$150.00 for upkeep of the grounds.

A Certification in the amount of \$150.00 available in the Contingency Account to be transferred to Cemeteries - Contributions & Grants - Acct. #02-08-150-072800, was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting.

A motion was made by Councilman Torian and seconded by Councilwoman McManus for the communication to be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried with Councilman Boynton voting Nay.

05-Communication & Certification - Request for funds in the amount of \$6,600 for repair of the chimney and air shaft at the Locust Avenue School.

A Certification in the amount of \$6,600, available in the Contingency Account to be transferred to Building Maintenance and Structures Account #02-03-116-031000, was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilwoman Torcaso for the communication to be accepted and transfer of funds authorized.

Councilman Boynton requested referral, but then withdrew the request. The original motion was carried with Councilwoman Eppoliti abstaining from voting.

06-Communication & Certification - Request from the Danbury Cultural Commission for \$5,600 for the 1982 Danbury Ethnic Cultural Festival to be held at Rogers Park on July 9th, 10th & 11th, 1982. The expenses for the 1981 Festival were \$5,600. The commission is requesting a grant in the same amount for the 1982 Festival.

A Certification of funds in the amount of \$5,600 in the Contingency Account to be transferred to the Cultural Commission, was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting.

Councilman White requested referral to an ad hoc committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: Eppoliti, Boynton, Charles.

07-Communication - Request from Mr. John P. Edwards for the Common Council to appoint an independent auditor, stating that the current company Ernst & Whinney, will do the job for \$33,000, including the City Audit, School Lunch, Special Education Grants and a Revenue Sharing Audit. This is a 7% increase for the basic services. The Revenue Sharing Audit was not done this year and is only done every second year.

Councilman Eriquez requested referral to an ad-hoc committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: Torian, Repole, Eriquez.

08-Communication - Request from Councilwoman C. McManus for an Ad-Hoc Committee to be formed to establish the reasons for the delays by the Civil Service Commission in filling vacancies in the various departments, including the Police & Fire Departments which have not been filled despite the urging of the Common Council.

Councilman White requested referral to an Ad-Hoc Committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: McManus, DaSilva, Torian, Gallo, Torcaso.

09-Communication - Proposal by The Loren Group to sell to the City of Danbury, sand from a parcel of land located at No. 6 Plumtrees Road in Danbury. (approximately 51,000 cubic yards of road sand at \$2.00 per cubic yard).

Councilman White requested referral to the Public Works Committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

010-Communication - The Loren Group Property at 6 Plumtrees Road, Danbury. Proposal concerns the straightening of Plumtrees Road in the area of the property in question and the exchange of land with The Loren Group for the accomplishing of said road straightening.

Councilman White requested referral to the Land Acquisition Committee and Planning Commission. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

011-Communication - Request from Kenosia Property Owners Association, Inc. for the formation of a Lake Kenosia Oversight Committee.

Councilman Eriquez requested referral to an ad-hoc committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: Cassano, Gallo, McGarry.

012-Communication - Request from Councilman White for the Common Council to empower the Corporation Counsel to:

1. Collect any and all monies owed to the City of Danbury by Danbury Airways at once.
2. To obtain a cease and desist order against the Chieppo Bus Company for operations at 49 Miry Brook Road, Danbury.

Councilman White stated that to date there has been no permission or favorable recommendation granted, yet the Chieppo Bus Company buses have been located at 49 Miry Brook Road in one of the hangars. No permission was given to Danbury Airways to allow the Chieppo Bus Company to sub-lease the City's property. The only body that can give that permission is the Common Council of the City of Danbury.

Councilman Elder requested referral to the same committee previously appointed and to the Corporation Counsel's Office for further pursuit. Councilman White to participate in the dialogue. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

013-Communication - Request from Mr. Jack Kozuchowski of the Danbury Health Department to consider suggestions and to initiate a review of the Hazardous Substances and Chemicals Ordinance, to consider these recommended revisions.

Councilman Eriquez requested referral to the Health Committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

014-Communication - Request from Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting, for a committee to be appointed to see what is necessary to resolve how best to deal with the problem of the Tax Collector being responsible to both the Director of Finance and the Superintendent of Utilities re: Collection of water rents.

Councilman White requested referral to an ad hoc committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and referred the matter to the following committee: Torian, McManus, DaSilva.

015-Communication - Request by J. Scott Williams and John Obringer, the present and past owners, respectively, of an office building located on the westerly corner of Mill Plain Road and Kenosia Avenue, to hook-up an existing sewage holding tank into the Danbury Sewage system. The sewer line to which they are attempting to connect runs immediately behind the office building but is located on property belonging to Conrail.

Councilman Gallo requested referral to the Sewer & Water Extension Committee of the Common Council and to the Planning Commission. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

016-Communication & Resolution - Request from Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting, for the Common Council to consider a revised Resolution authorizing the Mayor to determine through participative means, the level of rights, privileges, and benefits afforded to employees not represented by Associations or Unions.

There are 35 or more professional and administrative positions that are represented defacto for collective bargaining by the Danbury Municipal Employees Association. Mr. Edwards stated this is no longer a desirable practice, as said employees have long been denied participation in the determination of said rights, privileges and benefits.

Councilman Torian requested referral to committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: Farah, Foti, Evans.

017-Communication - Resignation & Appointment - Zoning Commission.

Resignation of Vincent Iovino, Jr. from the position of alternate to the Zoning Commission.

A motion was made by Councilman White and seconded by Councilman DaSilva that the resignation be accepted and the floor open for nominations. Motion carried.

The Democratic Town Committee recommended Mr. Jack Leopold, Long Ridge Road, Danbury for the position of Zoning Commission Alternate to replace Vincent Iovino, Jr. who resigned.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Boynton for the communication to be accepted and the appointment of Mr. Leopold be confirmed. Motion carried unanimously.

018-Communication - Request from Councilman Charles for a committee to be appointed to review and consider the Public Works Department being divided into two sections. Department Number One and Department Number Two.

Number One Department shall be located where it is now and Number Two shall be built on property located on land owned by the City Water Department on the West side of Danbury.

Councilman McGarry requested referral to the Public Works Committee and Planning Commission. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

019-Communication - Request from Councilman Charles for a committee to be appointed to review and consider the School Maintenance Department (Custodians) and its entire budget, be absorbed into and under the complete jurisdiction of the City of Danbury.

Councilman Gallo requested referral to the Public Works Committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

020-Communication - Request from the Environmental Impact Commission for an appropriation of \$10,000 to hire consultants to review incoming applications. Due to vacancies, the Commission is lacking expertise in certain areas, stated Janet Schaefer, Chairperson.

Councilman White requested referral to committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: Torian, Eriquez, Torcaso.

021-Communication - Appointment of Mr. Joseph Pepin, Beechwood Drive as a member of the Richter Park Authority for a term to expire on September 1, 1984. Mr. Pepin is a teacher and former member of the Common Council.

The Communication was accepted and appointment confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

022-Communication - Appointment of Ward Mazzucco, Chambers Road as an Elector member of the Environmental Impact Commission for a term to expire on December 1, 1983. Mr. Mazzucco is an attorney.

Councilman Zotos requested referral of the appointment, to committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered and appointed the following members to this committee: McManus, DaSilva, Torian.

Appointment of Nicholas Falzone, Ivy Lane as the Zoning Commission representative to the Environmental Impact Commission for a term to expire on December 1, 1983. Mr. Falzone is the owner of Ridgewood Market.

A motion was made by Councilman DaSilva and seconded by Councilman Torian for the communication to be accepted and appointment of Mr. Falzone to be confirmed. Motion carried unanimously.

023-Communication - Appointments of the following to the Youth Commission:

Mr. Hillel Goldman, 3 Lakecrest Drive, Danbury for a term to expire on April 1, 1984.

Mrs. Avril H. Fenwick, 5 Heritage Drive, Danbury for a term to expire on April 1, 1983.

The Communication was accepted and appointments confirmed on the Consent Calendar.

024-DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department
 Airport Administrator
 Building Inspector
 Commission on Aging
 Equal Rights & Opportunities
 Coordinator of Environmental &
 Occupational Health Services.

Fair Housing Officer
 Health Inspector
 Housing Inspector
 Blood Pressure Program
 Planning Commission
 Fire Chief
 Fire Marshal

A motion was made by Councilman DaSilva and seconded by Councilman Repole that the Reports be accepted as submitted and to dispense with the reading of the Reports as all members have copies which are also on file in the Office of the City Clerk for public inspection. Motion carried unanimously. Council President C. McManus thanked Department Heads for their cooperation in submitting monthly reports.

AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS

025-Report & Resolution - South Street Sewer Assessments.

Council President C. McManus submitted a report stating that a public hearing on the above captioned project was held on January 11, 1982 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The Common Council then met as a committee of the whole on Jan. 18, 1982 at 7:45 P.M. in room 432 at City Hall and voted to recommend adoption of the City Engineer's proposed assessments.

RESOLUTION - Whereas, the City of Danbury caused a sewer line to be constructed known as the South Street Sewer Project; and

Whereas, the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut require that assessments be made against property owners who benefit from said line; and

Whereas, the Common Council has determined the amount of said assessments, after public hearing, all according to law; and

Whereas, the Connecticut General Statutes 7-253 authorize the installment payment of assessments levied as the result of benefits derived from the installation of sewerage systems,

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved That the Assessment of Benefits fixed shall be due and payable on or before April 1, 1982 provided, however, that said assessments may be paid in installments in accordance herewith; and

Be It Further Resolved that the following provisions shall apply to installments of sewer benefit assessments in connection with the South Street Sewer Project:

1. The payment of any benefits by installments hereunder shall be in not more than fourteen (14) substantially equal annual payments.

2. The minimum annual installment payment shall be ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY (\$180.00) DOLLARS.

3. The interest on any deferred payments hereunder shall be due at a rate per annum which shall be the rate of interest the City is obligated to pay on its sewer bonds issued for the cost of such improvement. Any person may pay any installment for which he is liable at any time prior to the due date thereof and no interest on any such installment shall be charged beyond the date of such payment.

The Report was accepted and Resolution adopted by the Common Council, on the Consent Calendar.

026-Report & Resolution - Fourth St. Sewer Project.

Council President C. McManus submitted a report stating that a public hearing on the above captioned project was held on January 11, 1982 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The Common Council met as a committee of the whole on Jan. 18, 1982 at 7:45 P.M. in room 432 at City Hall and voted to recommend that the Fourth Street Sewer Project be approved.

RESOLUTION - Whereas, the Mayor of the City of Danbury appointed a committee to conduct a public hearing on the possibility of extending sanitary sewer lines in the Fourth Street area; and

Whereas, said committee conducted a public hearing on the matter at which time there was only limited opposition; and that the accomplishment of the extension is a matter of public convenience and necessity;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved by the Common Council that the City of Danbury undertake to extend sanitary sewer lines in the Fourth Street area.

The Report was accepted and Resolution adopted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

027-Report & Resolution - Mortgage Revenue Bonds.

Councilman Torian submitted a report stating that the committee appointed to study the Mortgage Revenue Bonds Resolution met on Jan. 20, 1982 at 7:30 P.M. In attendance were committee members, Torian and Eriquez with Attorney Gottschalk and Planning Director Sedney and Housing Planner Schierloh.

Attorney Gottschalk explained that, if adopted, the mortgage revenue bond resolution would authorize the Mayor to retain the services and begin negotiations and fact-finding with the Community Development Corporation who would act as Plan Administrator in the development of a Municipal Housing Finance Program, through the issuance of tax-exempt revenue bonds.

The purpose of the Housing Finance Program is to provide the financing of Mortgage Loans to primarily low and moderate income persons and families for the purposes of the purchase and rehabilitation of housing within the City of Danbury. It was the consensus of the committee that construction and rehabilitation of single family dwellings would be more desirable than multiple-family dwellings. (Two or more units).

Community Development Corporation is a newly-created private firm whose aim is to assist municipalities and private entities in addressing housing shortage problems. An example of the services they offer is, guiding municipalities through the process of arranging bond financings and assist in the selection and coordination of investment banking firms and trustees.

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The Bonds would be special obligations of the City and the City shall not be subject for any liability thereon except to the extent of revenues pledged for the payment of the bonds.

West Hartford undertook a similar program in December, 1980 and issued \$10.6 million of single family mortgage revenue bonds. This experience has been most beneficial to the citizens of West Hartford.

The committee recommended adoption of the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into negotiations with the Community Development Corporation to develop but not to execute a contract relating to the Housing Finance Program.

Councilman Torian announced that a Community Development Corporation representative would be invited to attend the next committee meeting to brief the committee on specific items of the program in greater detail.

At Councilman Enriquez's suggestion, a request was made of the Comptroller's Office for a Dunn and Bradstreet report on both Community Development Corporation and West Hartford's underwriting firm of Drexel Burnham, Lamber, Inc. This information will be available to the committee prior to their next scheduled meeting.

RESOLUTION - Whereas, the City desires to develop a Housing Finance Program through the issuance of tax-exempt revenue bonds; and

Whereas, the City desires to retain the Community Development Corporation to render certain technical services, advice and assistance with respect to the development, implementation and administration of the program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor James E. Dyer be and hereby is authorized to enter into negotiations with the Community Development Corporation to develop a contract relating to such a program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor James E. Dyer be and hereby is authorized to do any and all acts additionally necessary to effectuate the purposes hereof.

A motion was made by Councilman Repole and seconded by Councilman Gallo for the Report to be accepted as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was then made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Enriquez that the Resolution be adopted. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

028-Report & Certification - Funds for Rape Crisis Service at the Women's Center.

Councilwoman C. McManus submitted a report stating that the committee appointed to review the request for funds for the above captioned, met on January 21, 1982 at 7:30 P.M.

Karlyn Sturmer and Jean Vickers informed the committee that the Rape Crisis Center recently came under the jurisdiction of the Women's Center in order to salvage the program which was in danger of extinction. The Women's Center is approaching the nine area towns for funding and will incorporate future requests into their annual budget request.

The committee recommended that an appropriation of \$4,050 be made to the Women's Center to fund the Rape Crisis Service until July 1st.

A Certification was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting, in the amount of \$4,050 available in the State Contingency Fund to be transferred to Rape Crisis Service from Common Council Contributions and Grants Account #02-01-100-072899.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Enriquez that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried with Councilman Boynton voting in opposition.

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029-Report & Certification - Re: Request for Office Equipment, supplies, personnel in Welfare Department.

Councilman Gallo submitted a report stating that the Common Council committee appointed to review the request for funds for the Welfare Department as stated above, met on Jan. 25, 1982. Members present were Gallo and White. M. Farah was excused. D. MacKenzie of the Welfare Department was present also.

Ms. MacKenzie stated the reason for the Clerk-typist, part-time (19 Hours weekly) is to replace the two clerk-typists cut back by CETA and to eliminate some of the overtime in the department. The filing system will accommodate the present inadequate system and leave room for five years growth. The rest of the money is needed for office equipment due to a recent physical move of the Welfare Department to its new location.

The committee recommended to grant \$8,044.85 to the Welfare Department.

A Certification was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting in the amount of \$8,044.85 available in the State Contingency Account to be transferred to the following Welfare Department Accounts:

Part Time Services - \$1,995.00 -- Office Equipment - \$6,049.85.

A motion was made by Councilman McGarry and seconded by Councilman Evans that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried with Councilmen Boynton and Burke voting in opposition.

030-Report & Certification - Funds for Welfare Dept. (\$125,000).

Councilman White submitted a report stating that the committee appointed to review the request for additional funds for the Welfare Department met on January 21, 1982. In attendance was Councilman White and Councilman Zotos. Also present was Ms. D. MacKenzie of the Welfare Department.

The committee reviewed the rising Welfare Department rolls. At present, average monthly expenditures are \$25,000. In order to meet public welfare needs through the end of the year, the Welfare Department will require an additional \$150,000.

At the January Council meeting, the Council approved an immediate \$25,000 to allow the Welfare Department to continue proper operations. The request for \$150,000 which is 90% State reimbursed is therefore reduced to \$125,000.

The committee recommended that the remaining \$125,000 be transferred to the Public Welfare Account.

A Certification was submitted on January 5, 1982 from Mr. John P. Edwards, Acting Director of Finance as follows:

Appropriation Account #02-05-100-026000 should be increased by \$150,000 from \$167,000 to \$317,000.

This will be offset by an increase in the Revenue Acct. #02-65-000-523100 by \$135,000 to \$244,719 and a transfer from State Contingency Account of \$15,000.

In the event of a delay the Welfare Department must have \$25,000 (approved and authorized on January 5, 1982).

A motion was made by Councilman Torian and seconded by Councilman Charles that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

031- Report & Certification - Re: Funds for Evictions for the Welfare Dept.

Councilman White submitted a report stating that the committee appointed to review the above request, met on January 6, 1982. Present were Councilmembers White and Torcaso. Councilman Burke was absent. D. MacKenzie from the Welfare Department was also in attendance.

The committee reviewed State Statutes 47A-42, which holds the City's Chief Executive Officer responsible for the removal and storage of any articles placed on the adjacent sidewalk, street or highway from where a tenant is evicted by a sheriff. In the past, these articles were stored at the Ives St. Fire House, which had difficult access and served as a poor storage facility.

Many manhours have been wasted in the past, trying to locate a temporary storage within the City with 24 hours notice. Consequently, the Welfare Department has rented a storage facility at the U-Haul complex on Division Street. The cost is \$60.00 monthly, which the City can rent annually for \$400.00. Access can be readily gained and all stored items are locked up in a separate room and are fully insured against fire and theft.

The committee recommended that the request for \$400.00 be granted.
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A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Evans that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

**A Certification in the amount of \$400 available in the Contingency Fund to be transferred to Welfare Leased Equipment Acct. #02-05-100-024501, was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Acting Director of Finance.

032-Report & Certification - Groundman for Forestry Department.

Councilman DaSilva, chairman of the Public Works Committee, submitted a report stating that the committee reviewed a request from Public Works Director D. Garamella to add an additional ground man to the Forestry Department. This additional worker would enable the Department to send out two aerial crews instead of one, therefore greatly expanding the work production of the Department.

The committee voted to recommend the appropriation of \$4,000 for the hiring of an additional ground man for the Forestry Department, for the remainder of the fiscal year.

A Certification in the amount of \$4,000 available in the Contingency Fund to be transferred to Forestry Department Acct. #02-08-145-010100, was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards, Director of Finance, Acting.

Councilman Boynton asked if this position would be full time in the new budget. Mayor Dyer replied that he has not gone all through the new budgets as yet.

A motion was made by Councilman Evans and seconded by Councilman Torian that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds authorized. Motion carried unanimously.

033-Report re: Overtime funds for the Danbury Fire Department was withdrawn.

034-Report & Certification - Funds for H.A.R.T.

Councilman Evans submitted a report stating that the Common Council committee appointed to review the request for an allocation of funds for H.A.R.T. met on Dec. 17, 1981 and 1/25/82. In attendance were Councilpersons Evans, DaSilva, Torian; City Grantsperson Brian Graney, Nancy Deibler and Manny Merullo, representing H.A.R.T.

It was voted that of the \$39,350 requested, \$14,351 was needed to pay for the operating expenses for a vehicle to provide transportation for elderly and handicapped citizens of Danbury, of this amount 50% will be reimbursed to Danbury through Federal Section 5 funding.

The additional \$25,000 was requested to be used in conjunction with the H.A.R.T. proposal for a downtown Multi-Model transportation terminal. The money would pay for an individual for a year to put together the application for the federal money to finance the design and construction of a terminal.

It was pointed out that the City grantsperson (Brian Graney) along with the City Planner (Len Sedney) should be able to do this job during their regular course of duties. It is possible that at a later date they may become too busy to continue with this project.

The committee recommended that the request for funds be denied at this time and that applications and other groundwork be done by Mr. Graney and Mr. Sedney. If however they find that they are unable to continue to pursue this request before completion, then H.A.R.T. is to re-apply to the City for funds to finish the procedures that must be pursued.

A Certification in the amount of \$14,351.00 was submitted by Mr. John P. Edwards. \$250.00 available in the Contingency Fund and \$14,101 from the State Contingency Fund to be transferred to Acct. #02-13-002-072800 Danbury Bethel Transit District Contribution Grant.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Torian that the Report be accepted and transfer of funds (\$14,351.00), authorized. Motion carried with Councilmen White and Boynton voting Nay.

035 - recorded at end of minutes.

036-Report & Ordinance - Commission on Status of Women.

Council President C. McManus submitted a report stating that a public hearing was held by the Common Council on the above captioned Ordinance, on January 27, 1982 at 8:00 O'Clock P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

The Common Council then met as a committee of the whole on Jan. 27th at 8:45 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The Council recommended the adoption of the proposed Ordinance.

ORDINANCE - Section of the Code of Ordinances to be numbered 2-56.12:

There is hereby established a Commission for Women to be known as The Commission on the Status of Women.

Said Commission shall study the conditions and needs of the women of this community. It shall make recommendations, develop policies and carry out such programs relative to the status of women as are approved by the Common Council.

The Commission on the Status of Women shall be comprised of seven (7) members all of whom shall be resident electors appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Common Council.

Members shall serve for three year staggered terms. Of the original appointees three shall be appointed for a one year term, two shall be appointed for a two year term and two shall be appointed for a three year term.

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The Commission may, with the approval of the Common Council, apply for Federal, State, local or private funds for all or any of its purposes.

The Commission may, with the approval of the Common Council, accept on behalf of the City any gifts, donations, grants bequests or assistance for all or any of its purposes.

A motion was made by Councilman Torian and seconded by Councilwoman C. McManus that the Report be accepted and Ordinance adopted. Motion carried and the Ordinance was adopted with Councilmen McGarry and Foti voting Nay.

037-Report & Ordinance - Code of Ethics.

Council President C. McManus submitted a report stating that the Common Council met as a committee of the whole on January 18, 1982. It was voted to recommend that the proposed Ordinance be deferred for a public hearing to be held.

ORDINANCE - To establish a Code of Ethics for all City officers and employees, whether elected or appointed, paid or unpaid. The purpose of this code is to establish suitable ethical standards of conduct for all such officers and employees by prohibiting acts or actions incompatible with the best interests of the City of Danbury.

A motion was made by Councilman Elder and seconded by Councilman Boynton that the Report be accepted and Ordinance deferred for public hearing. Motion carried.

038-Report - Request for water extension for property -LaMar Road.

Councilman Gallo, chairman of the Sewer & Water Extension Committee, submitted a report stating that the committee met and reviewed the request of Bernard Ginty for water extension for property located on LaMar Road, and has also reviewed the recommendation for approval, from the Planning Commission.

It is the recommendation of the committee that this petition be granted with the following conditions and restrictions:

1. The petitioner shall bear all costs relative to the installation of said water lines.
2. The existing service line remain privately owned.
3. The existing homeowners presently connected to this service line and the new homeowner requesting to connect to this line have placed on the Danbury Land Records for the lots in question, an acceptable Maintenance and Replacement Agreement for this privately owned water-line.

The Report was accepted and petition granted by the Common Council, on the Consent Calendar.

039-Report - Sewers for Farm Shop Rt. 6- Newtown Road.

041-Report - Sewers for Germantown Road - Request of E. Hawley.

040-Report - Sewers for Exxon Corporation - Mill Plain Road.

Councilman Gallo submitted a committee report stating that they had met and reviewed the above petitions with the City Engineer and also reviewed the recommendations for approval, from the Planning Commission.

It is the recommendation of the Sewer & Water Extension committee that the above captioned requests for sewers be granted with the following conditions and restrictions:

1. The petitioner shall bear all costs relative to the installation of said sewer lines.

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2. The petitioner shall submit as-built drawings of this extension, prepared by a licensed Connecticut Land Surveyor, for approval by the City Engineer.
 3. Detailed Engineering Plans and Specifications are to be approved by the City Engineer and the Superintendent of Public Utilities prior to the start of construction.
 4. If required, a Warranty Deed in a form satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel shall be executed by the petitioner conveying to the City of Danbury all right, title, interest and privileges required hereunder, and said Deed shall be held in escrow for recording upon completion of installation.
 5. That upon completion of installations, title to said sewer lines within City Streets, and any necessary documents be granted to the City in a form which is acceptable to the City Engineer and Corporation Counsel.
 6. The petitioners shall convey ownership of and easements to all or such portions of the sewer lines as the City Engineer's office determines are of potential benefit to other landowners in the City. Should another, other than the petitioner hold title to any land involved in the approval, then consent prior to any installation or hook-up shall be furnished in a form satisfactory to the City Engineer and Corporation Counsel.
 7. No Certificate of Occupancy shall be issued until the above requested forms, documents, plans, etc. are received and the City owns the extended sewer lines.

The Reports were accepted and petitions granted, with conditions and restrictions, by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

042-Report - Funds for Safety Equipment - Danbury Fire Department.

Councilman Gallo submitted a report stating that the Common Council committee appointed to review the request for funds for Account #062500 (Public Safety Equipment) in the Fire Department, for \$5,000, met on Jan. 25, 1982.

Members present were Councilmen Gallo & Evans. D. Eppoliti was excused. Fire Chief J. Bertalovitz was also in attendance.

The Chief stated the reason for this request was to equip the new tower truck with some items that did not come with the truck, although it was assumed these items would be part of the package.

After further discussion it was determined by the committee that this matter was not an urgent request and should be included in the 1982-1983 Fire Department Budget.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

043- Report - Drainage problem at Stonegate Estates.

Councilman DaSilva, Chairman of the Public Works Committee, submitted a report stating that the committee studied a request from Mr. & Mrs. Lacy Boggess to correct a drainage problem on their property in Stonegate Estates. An on-site inspection was made of the site.

A report from the City Engineering Department stated that this property contains a natural swale through which rain water drains. It is the opinion of the Engineering Department that it would cost approximately \$40,000 to install pipes to carry off water from a storm drain on Cushing Drive which runs into this property. It is further their opinion that this would not correct the problem because of the natural swale which is located on this property, and that the water from this storm drain is not the cause of erosion on the property.

In light of the information presented by the Engineering Department, the committee voted to recommend denial of this request.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

044-Report - Request to study the feasibility of dredging city reservoirs.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works Committee studied the request to dredge the City reservoirs to create a larger storage capacity.

Mr. Schweitzer, the City Engineer reported that while there are various benefits and detriments to the dredging of City reservoirs, the major consideration was that of cost effectiveness. An estimated cost of \$11,000,000 for this project is not considered to be cost effective. This money could better and more effectively be used to develop new sources of water as has been the case in recent action of the City such as the Kenosia skimming project.

It is therefore the recommendation of the public works committee that this proposal be denied at this time.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

045-Report - Request for a traffic light at Osborne St. and Balmforth Ave.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works committee studied the above request from the Mayor. The initial action of the committee was to wait for the results of the referendum on the road improvement plan which was defeated, this traffic light being part of that plan.

Upon further consideration and review of the Planning Commission's recommendation for denial, the committee voted to recommend denial of this request at this time.

It further recommends that the Police Chief, as Traffic Officer for the City of Danbury, put into effect the recommendation of the Planning Commission that more extensive use of signs to direct and control the flow and direction of traffic at this intersection be effectuated e.g. expansion of times when no left turn is allowed on Balmforth Avenue from Osborne Street.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

046-Report & Ordinance - Emergency Water Conservation Regulations.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works committee studied a request from the owners of the NeJame Pool Company to review the emergency water conservation regulation as they pertain to the swimming pool industry.

As the committee reviewed these regulations a consensus was formed that while the letter of the law does not reflect discrimination against this industry, the spirit of the law reflects various discrepancies. There are other industries whose products are at least as much in the category of a "luxury" and are not restricted in their use of water. This is most clearly seen in the exception in the regulations given to florists.

Because of the above mentioned conclusions the committee is recommending deletion of Sec. 21-18 (b) (2) in the Ordinance dealing with emergency water conservation regulation. This proposal will eliminate what the committee feels to be a discriminatory practice.

ORDINANCE - That Section 21-18 (b) (2) be and hereby is repealed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Torian that the Report be accepted and Ordinance deferred for a public hearing. Motion carried.

047-Report - Feasibility of drilling wells near the shores of primary and secondary reservoirs.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works Committee reviewed the request to study the feasibility of drilling wells near the shores of primary and secondary reservoirs. The committee sought the opinion of the Superintendent of Public Utilities, William Buckley, as to the effectiveness of this proposal. He reported that this would not be an effective measure as the water that would be pumped would actually be reservoir water, therefore gaining no real advantage.

It is therefore the recommendation of the Public Works Committee that no action be taken on this proposal at this time.

A motion was made by Councilman Charles and seconded by Councilman Boynton that the request be referred back to committee. Motion carried with Council Members, Zotos, McManus and Torian voting Nay.

048-Report - Request to review Ordinance on repair of water service.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works Committee studied a request from former Councilman Turk to review the Ordinance concerning the repair of water services. The question revolved around the responsibility for the repair of a broken water service between the trunk line and a homeowner's property, and if there was a differentiation between a break under a City Street or under private property.

Response from the Assistant Corporation Counsel stated that the present ordinance is clear in this matter. It is the responsibility of the property owner to repair the broken service, anywhere between the main trunk line and the structure being serviced.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

049-Report - Deferred payment of principal on Sewer Assessments for Elderly.

Councilman DaSilva submitted a report stating that the Public Works Committee reviewed a proposed Ordinance that would allow elderly homeowners to defer payment of the principal on sewer assessments until they sell their home or until their death.

While the committee was very much in favor of the concept of help for the elderly in this situation, a major problem stands in the way of implementation at this time.

The Charter allows only those who benefit directly from a sewer service to pay for that service. This includes both the installation and maintenance costs. This provision effects the proposed deferrment of principal payment for the elderly in the following manner.

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Sewer installation bonds must be paid within a period of fourteen years, including principal and interest. If the proposed ordinance was passed and any number of elderly homeowners were to keep their homes and survive the fourteen year period when full payment must be made, they would then have to pay the complete amount of principal owed in one lump sum.

Because of problems discussed at the committee meeting, the Public Works Works committee recommends denial of the proposed Ordinance at this time. They further recommend that the present Charter Revision Commission look carefully at the method of payment for City Sewers in general, and this problem in particular.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

050-Report - Air Controllers.

Councilman Farah submitted a report stating that the Common Council committee appointed to review the request for Air Controllers at the Danbury Airport, met on Jan. 7, 1982. Present were committee members - Farah, Eriquez and Repole. Councilwoman C. McManus and Airport Administrator J. Thompson were also present.

The committee voted unanimously a recommendation against hiring of controllers, based on the following criteria:

1. The cost would exceed \$200,000 per year.
 2. The City's tax base is not broad enough to assume the pecuniary responsibility of operating the control tower, a responsibility which clearly falls within the domain of the Federal Government.
 3. If the control tower at the Danbury Airport is opened while the towers of neighboring airports are not, the effectiveness of the hired controllers will be curtailed.
- Mr. Thompson endorsed the committee's recommendations & criteria.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

051-Report - Request to sub-lease hangar building at Danbury Airport.

Councilman Farah submitted a report stating that the Common Council committee appointed to review the request from Danbury Airways to sub-lease the small hangar building at Danbury Airport, met on Jan. 7, 1982. Present were committee members Farah and Elder. Also present were Council members Repole and McManus, and Jack Thompson, Airport Administrator

Mr. Thompson stated that it was his recollection that the lease between Danbury Airways, Inc. and the Airport stated that approval of the Airport Commission was required for any sub-leasing of leased facilities.

Mr. Thompson presented the committee with a copy of an advertisement that was run in the Jan. 3rd 1982 issue of the Danbury News Times, by Chieppo Bus Company. This ad advertised Charter Bus Service from 49 Miry Brook Road which is Airport property.

Mr. Thompson has also sent a copy of this ad to the Federal Aviation Administration at their request. Based on this information the committee recommended the following:

1. This matter be referred to the Corporation Counsel to confirm the terms of the lease between Danbury Airways and the Airport.

- 2. The committee make no recommendation to the Council until a recommendation is received from the Aviation Commission.
- 3. That this matter be forwarded to the Corporation Counsel to determine whether or not Danbury Airways may be in violation of the terms of its present lease.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

052-Report - Request for funds from WeCAHR.

Councilman Boynton submitted a report stating that the committee met on December 16, 1982 and again on January 19, 1982. Councilwoman Butera was absent from the Jan. 19th meeting, due to illness.

On December 16th, Jean N. Bowen, Executive Director of WeCAHR informed the committee that they were requesting \$15,000 to continue operations for a period of Jan. 1, 1982 to June 30, 1982. Their proposal Budget as submitted to the committee was for \$59,875.

In response to a question by Councilman Foti as to why WECAHR was not accepting an offer from the Danbury Regional Center for office space, thereby reducing expenses by \$4,800 Ms. Bowen responded that there would be a conflict of interest, and the offer was refused.

In answer to questions regarding WECAHR's possible funding requests from other towns, Ms. Bowen responded that WeCAHR had not sought funds from the other towns, but would if Danbury provided funds, thereby establishing a precedent and credibility.

It was explained that WECAHR is an advocacy service and does not actually provide direct service. While the committee is in agreement with many of WECAHR's stated goals and objectives, there is some concern that a duplication of services does exist with agencies and committees presently funded by local tax dollars. Agencies and committees presently funded by the City with whom WeCAHR would interact are: DATAHR, Danbury Regional Center, Danbury Hospital, Danbury Public Schools, Red Cross, V.N.A., H.A.R.T. Community Action and others.

The committee, mindful of the fact that Federal and State funds are questionable at this time, discussions of continued funding of the present agencies and committees will be before us in the Mayor's budget, therefore recommends that the funding request of WECAHR be denied at this time. However, the committee does recommend that the Council give any funding request that Mayor Dyer may include in his 1982-1983 Budget, fair and impartial consideration.

The Report was accepted by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar.

053-Report - Water Restrictors, etc.

Councilman Torian, Chairman of the Health Committee submitted a progress report stating that the Health Committee met on Jan. 19, 1982 to review the request by Mayor Dyer to pass an ordinance that would require installation of water restrictors and high efficiency water saving toilets in all newly constructed buildings in the Danbury area, both residential and commercial.

Mr. Grosso of the Health Department was present and provided the committee with a brief overview of the immediate and long-term benefits that would be derived from the implementation of a comprehensive water conservation program.

The committee requested and was granted an extension of time until it has had the opportunity to hear Mr. Buckley's views on this subject at a later meeting. Mr. Buckley is the Superintendent of Public Utilities.

054-Report - Request for funds from Richter Park Authority.

Richter Park Liaison committee report was withdrawn.

055-Communication - Suggestion from D. Garamella, Director of Public Works that rates be increased to \$25.00 for Septic Wastes. The Danbury Septic haulers are picking up Newtown's septic waste and supposedly are dumping it at our plant.

Re-structuring of our rates would be one solution in solving this problem. We are charging \$5.00 a thousand gallons while Bethel and Bridgeport are charging \$25.00.

Referral was requested to the Public Works Committee. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

056- Communication - Claim of Mr. & Mrs. Larson - Boxwood Lane re: water overflow due to WestConn Campus Construction.

Councilwoman McManus requested referral to the Claims Committee and Assistant Corporation Counsel Atty. West. Mayor Dyer so ordered.

035-Report & Ordinance - Consent Calendar.

Council President C. McManus submitted a report stating that a public hearing was held by the Common Council on the Consent Calendar Ordinance, on January 27, 1982, at 7:45 P.M.

The Common Council then met as a committee of the whole on January 27, 1982 at 8:45 P.M. in the Council Chambers.

A motion was made at that meeting by Councilman Repole and seconded by Councilman Zotos to recommend adoption of the proposed revision.

A motion was made by Councilman Repole and seconded by Councilwoman C. McManus to accept the Ordinance as amended.

After further discussion as to removal of items from the Consent Calendar and whether it supersedes Roberts Rules of Order, etc. a motion was made by Councilman Charles and seconded by Councilman Evans to reconsider the Ordinance. When it was ascertained that this was not in proper form, Councilman Evans then requested that the Ordinance be recommitted.

Mayor Dyer will appoint a committee at a later date.

Public Speakers

Mary Waupotic spoke opposing the Status of Women commission representing the Danbury Right to Life Chapter, stating that their goal is abortion.

Mayor Dyer replied that this Commission does not associate with abortion. It will deal with battered women and rape counseling. No public funds would be appropriated for abortion.

Women from the Women's Center spoke, thanking the Common Council for the creation of the Commission on the Status of Women.

Respectfully submitted

May Rickett
Assistant City Clerk

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City Clerk

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