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TO: Honorable Mayor James E. Dyer - City of Danbury, Connecticut

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Common Council held on March 29, 1984.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 O'Clock P.M. by the honorable Mayor James E. Dyer who led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Prayer was offered by Councilman Bernard Gallo.

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

PRESENT: Council Members - Johnson, McGarry, Foti, Torcaso, Esposito, Godfrey, Flanagan, Zotos, Chianese, McManus, DaSilva, Gallo, Cassano, Charles, Boynton, Butera, Durkin, Eriquez, Farah, Torian.

ABSENT: Councilwoman T. Skoff-who was reported to be absent due to a previous commitment.

19 Members Present - 1 Member Absent.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING - to be held on the 29th. day of March, 1984 at 7:00 O'Clock P.M. for the purpose of acting upon the following:

- 01 - RESOLUTION - Application for a Grant to rehabilitate obstruction lights and rotating beacon at the Danbury Airport.
- 02 - RESOLUTION - Application for a Grant to upgrade gates and fences at the Danbury Airport.
- 03 - RESOLUTION - Application for a Grant to construct paved parking area at the Danbury Airport.

RETURN OF SERVICE - Notices delivered by Officers of the Danbury Police Department.

A motion was made by Councilman Joseph DaSilva and seconded by Councilman Bernard Gallo for the Call and Return of Service to be accepted. Motion carried unanimously.

- 01 - REPORT & RESOLUTION - Application for a Grant to rehabilitate obstruction lights & rotating beacon at the Danbury Airport.

Councilman Joseph DaSilva submitted a report stating that the committee appointed to review three Grant Applications for the Danbury Airport met at 7:30 P.M. on March 14, 1984. In attendance were committee members Gallo, McManus and DaSilva. Also in attendance were Councilman Foti, Airport Administrator P. Estefan, Airport Commission Chairman John Scarfi and Assistant Chairman Richard Hale.

Mr. Scarfi and Mr. Estefan explained that the State of Connecticut did not inform the Airport Commission of F.A.A. requirement of a March 31, 1984 deadline for submission of applications until February 1, 1984. The three items for obstruction lights and rotating beacon, the upgrading of fences, and the paving of parking areas were applied for after the receipt of a list of Connecticut Airport repairs and the denotation of \$305,475 of Federal funds that were still available. This list came to the Airport Commission on February 1, 1984. Mr. Estefan stated that he had to review the three items for need and price after receipt of the State list and before submission to the Common Council.

Mr. Estefan and Mr. Scarfi explained the need for each of the three items being applied for. They also explained that F.A.A. funds are in a trust fund that come from taxes from aircraft fuel, airline tickets etc. That is the reason that these funds are used to upgrade facilities that do not meet F.A.A. requirements.

It was explained that if these applications are not submitted by April 1, 1984, the Danbury Airport will not be eligible for these funds until 1985.

Mr. Foti stated that when grants of this nature are approved by the Common Council the total funds must be encumbered by the City until the projects are completed. This process restricts the cash flow of the City.

Dominic Setaro, Assistant Comptroller was questioned as to this problem. He explained that this does cause some restriction in cash flow, but does not inhibit the City's ability to spend any available funds because when commitments are made the anticipated funds are recognized, therefore balancing the accounts minus the City share of the expenditure.

The committee voted to recommend approval of the three grant applications for the Danbury Airport and adoption of the three Resolutions.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Gallo that the Report be accepted. Motion carried with Councilman Foti voting Nay.

01-RESOLUTION - Resolved by the Common of the City of Danbury:

Whereas, the Federal Aviation Administration of the United States Department of Transportation and the Bureau of Aeronautics of the Connecticut Department of Transportation make funds available through the Airport and Airway Improvement Act of 1982; and

Whereas, the City of Danbury through the Danbury Municipal Airport intends to rehabilitate its obstruction lights and rotating beacon for the purpose of correcting malfunctions and deterioration of the current system; and

Whereas, the City of Danbury will make application for a Federal and State Grant in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 with a local match of two and one-half percent equalling an amount not to exceed \$3,750.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor of the City of Danbury, James E. Dyer, is hereby authorized to make application for said Grant, and that any and all additional acts necessary to effectuate said program be and hereby are authorized.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Gallo for the Resolution to be adopted.

Councilman Foti asked for a Certification of funds. Mayor Dyer replied that we are only applying for a Grant, therefore a certification is not necessary.

The Resolution was adopted by a roll call vote of 20 Ayes - 1 Member was absent.

02 - RESOLUTION - Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Danbury:

Whereas, the City of Danbury through the Danbury Municipal Airport intends to upgrade the gates and fences around the Airport for the purpose of increasing the safety of the Airport; and

Whereas, the City of Danbury will make application for a Federal and State Grant in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 with a local match of two and one-half percent equalling an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor of the City of Danbury, James E. Dyer, is hereby authorized to make application for said Grant, and that any and all additional acts necessary to effectuate said program be and hereby are authorized.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Charles for the Resolution to be adopted.

The Resolution was adopted by a roll call vote of 20 Ayes. - 1 Member was absent.

03 - RESOLUTION - Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Danbury;

Whereas, the City of Danbury through the Danbury Municipal Airport intends to construct a paved public aircraft parking area for the purpose of being in compliance with F.A.A. setback requirements; and

Whereas, the City of Danbury will make application for a Federal and State Grant in the amount not to exceed \$300,000.00 with a local match of two and one-half percent equalling an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mayor of the City of Danbury, James E. Dyer, is hereby authorized to make application for said Grant,² and that any and all additional acts necessary to effectuate said program be and hereby are authorized.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Charles for the Resolution to be adopted.

The Resolution was adopted by a roll call vote of 20 Ayes. 1 Member was absent.

Mayor Dyer thanked the Common Council members for attending the meeting in light of the bad snow storm and thanked Mr. Conlea, Mr. Hawley and Mr. Wojchek for their services in providing transportation to members of the Council who were unable to drive through the snowstorm.

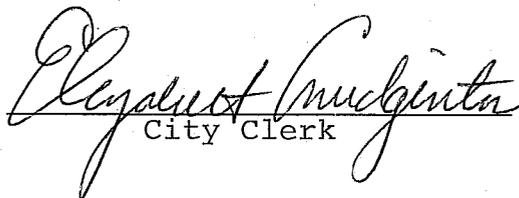
Through the efforts of the Office of Civil Preparedness the above mentioned men were available to pick up the Council Members in 4-wheel drive vehicles. Appreciation was extended by Mayor Dyer to Mr. Wilbur Conlea, Mr. Charles Hawley, Mr. Michael Hawley and Mr. Joseph Wochek for volunteering their services.

There being no further business to come before the Common Council a motion was made by Councilman McGarry and seconded by Councilman Gallo for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:15 O'Clock P.M.

Respectfully submitted


Assistant City Clerk

Attest:


City Clerk