

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AUGUST 10, 1999
LINCOLN CENTER DIRECTORS ROOM
6:30 P.M.**

RECONVENED MEETING

PRESENT: Chairman Cassano, Vice-Chairman Howroyd, Secretary Negri, Directors Morancey, Hachadourian, McMahon, Crockett, Thompson and Becker.

ALSO: General Manager Sartor, Deputy Manager Werbner and Town Attorney Darby.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

11g. Approval of a Bond Referendum Question for a 12 million dollar accelerated sidewalk repair program.

Director Becker stated that the minority asked that this item be put on the agenda because progress has not been made as quickly as they would like to see regarding sidewalk repairs. He said that they would like to see a larger pool of funds so that more sidewalk repair could be done in a shorter amount of time. He felt that this went hand-in-hand with the school project.

Director Crockett agreed and stated that it would be also be beneficial to take advantage of the low interest rates and bonds available at this time.

Chairman Cassano was concerned about the quality of sidewalk repair when using multiple construction companies. He thought it would be a good idea to work with administration to come up with a plan for removal, extension and accelerated sidewalk repair.

Public Works Administrator Louise Guarnaccia reviewed a written report entitled Proposed CIP - Bond regarding capital improvements and projects that need to be accomplished in the near future, however at the present time, no money is available. This would be added as a separate item on the proposed fall bond referendum. Each item was presented and discussed by the Board. They discussed adding the demolition and property restoration of Bentley to the school bond issue. They also discussed adding the skateboard park in this amount.

Chairman Cassano suggested that a Public Works subcommittee be established to come back to the Board with priorities and recommendations focusing on sidewalk issues before a large sum of money is allocated.

After much discussion a list of items from the written report was decided to be added as

part of a \$3 million referendum question and to be advertised for public hearing as a separate item along with the school bond issue as follows:

North Main Street Bridge	\$425,000
Hartford Road	\$650,000
YMCA Roof & Heating System.....	\$485,000
Library Roof	\$110,000
Hollister Street Storm Drainage	\$75,000
River Restoration.....	\$150,000
Senior Center	\$35,000
Skateboard Park.....	\$100,000
Legal, Issuance, related costs	\$100,000
Sidewalks.....	\$500,000
	<u>\$2,630,000</u>

Director Hachadourian moved and Director Thompson seconded a motion for an amendment to the original item for approval of a Bond Referendum Question for Public Works projects not to exceed 3 million dollars for the purpose of a public hearing. Nine voted in favor.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION - PENDING LITIGATION.

Secretary Negri moved and Director McMahon seconded a motion to go into Executive Session to deal with pending litigation. Nine voted in favor.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. and returned at 7:40 p.m. Discussions took place regarding pending litigation. No votes were taken.

Director Crockett moved and Director Thompson seconded a motion for approval of a claim between Jason Stephenson and Officer Stephen Bouchard in the amount of \$18,000. Nine voted in favor.

Adjournment: 7:40 p.m.

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APPROVED:

ATTEST:

SECRETARY, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT