

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

RE: Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Common Council held on June 20, 1985.

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 - Sollose, Foti, Torcaso, Godfrey, Zotos, Skoff, McManus, DaSilva, Gallo, Charles, Torian.  
Councilmen Esposito and Farah arrived after roll call.

ABSENT: Council Members - Johnson, Flanagan, Chianese, Cassano, Boynton, Butera, Durkin, Eriquez.

13 Member Present - 8 Members Absent.

It was reported that Council Members Johnson, Cassano, Chianese were out of town. Council Members Butera, Durkin, Eriquez, Boynton and Flanagan were working.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING - To be held on the 20th day of June, 1985 at 7:00 O'Clock P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, for the purpose of acting upon the following:

- 01 - COMMUNICATION - Appointment of Fire Dispatcher.
- 02 - COMMUNICATION - Appointment of Firefighters.
- 03 - COMMUNICATION - Confirmation of the appointment of the Civil Defense Director.
- 04 - REPORT - Ives Street Project Funding.

RETURN OF SERVICE - Notices delivered and served by Police Officers of the City of Danbury.

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

- 01 - COMMUNICATION - Appointment of Fire Dispatcher.

Request by Mayor Dyer of the confirmation of the following Promotion in the Danbury Fire Department:

Fire Dispatcher

Robert Ehrhard  
5 Terry Drive  
Danbury, Conn.

Appointment to be effective upon Mayor Dyer administering the oath of office at a swearing-in ceremony.

Mr. Ehrhard was appointed to the Danbury Fire Department on July 1, 1970, attended and successfully completed a course at the Connecticut State Fire School.

Mr. Ehrhard has operated the robot "Pluggie" having good rapport with many children of the area. He is married and has two sons.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Charles for the Communication to be accepted and appointment confirmed.  
Motion carried unanimously.

02 - COMMUNICATION - Appointments to the Danbury Fire Department:

The following probationary appointments to the Danbury Fire Department:

1. Peter Radlet  
25 Wondy Way  
Danbury, Conn.  
Age 34  
Self employes tree service.  
D.H.S. Graduate - Attended 3  
years of forestry school at  
University of Vermont -  
Married, two children.
2. Gary Arconti  
9 Ball Pond Road  
Danbury, Conn.  
Age 31  
Service Mechanic at Barden's  
D.H.S. Graduate - Volunteer  
Firefighter for 13 years -  
E.M.T. Training - Married  
Two children.
3. Ronald Bowers  
22 Ward Drive South  
Danbury, Conn.  
Age 23  
Bethel Police Officer  
Medical Response Technician  
Volunteer Firefighter 6 years.  
Single.
4. Mark Omasta  
103 Kohanza St.  
Danbury, Conn.  
Age 29  
2 Year Liberal Arts degree W.C.S.  
4 year B.F.A. degree from New  
Paltz, N.Y. E.M.T. - Volunteer  
Firefighter. Paid Firefighter  
Wilton Fire Dept. for 5 years.  
Single ( to be married 9/14/85)
5. Brian Sullivan  
65 School Street  
Naugatuck, Conn.  
Age 24  
Security Officer Waterbury  
Hospital - Firefighter I.  
E.M.T. Training (certification  
pending). Volunteer Firefighter  
Naugatuck 2 years - 3½  
semesters Criminal Justice  
Courses. Lt. in Co. 1 Rescue  
squad, Naugatuck. Single.
6. Bernard M. Meehan, Jr.  
Box 584  
Newtown, Conn. 06470  
Age 23  
Certified Firefighter I  
Certified E.M.T. and Paramedic  
Volunteer Firefighter - 7 yrs.  
Paramedic in Fairfield, Ct.  
Single.

All appointments are effective after the completion of a successful physical and training program, and upon swearing in.

A motion was made by Councilman DaSilva and seconded by Councilman Charles for the Communication to be accepted and appointments confirmed. Motion carried unanimously.

Gary Arconti was introduced from the audience by Mayor Dyer.

03 - COMMUNICATION - Appointment of the Civil Defense Director.

Confirmation requested by Mayor Dyer of the following appointment:

Director of Operations for Civil Preparedness  
Wilbur Conlea  
15 Francis Road  
Danbury, Connecticut

Mr. Conlea has been an active volunteer for the Civil Defense since 1954. He has been a member of the Rescue Team for many years, when he assumed the duties of Deputy Chief in charge of rescue.

In 1972 Mr. Conlea assumed responsibilities of Field Chief of Operations to assist Chief Peter Winter during emergency operation periods, such as blizzards, floods etc.

A motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Charles for the Communication to be accepted and appointment confirmed. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Dyer introduced Mr. Conlea who was present in the audience and a round of applause was given to Mr. Peter Winter who was also present.

#### 04 - REPORT - Revitalization of Ives Street - Project Funding.

Councilman Gallo submitted a Report stating that the Committee appointed to review the Revitalization of Ives Street, met at 8:30 P.M. on 6/13/85 in the Mayor's Conference Room at City Hall. In attendance were Council Members Gallo, McManus and DaSilva and Planning Director Len Sedney.

Mr. Sedney led the meeting off by explaining to the committee what the Planning Department's request was about. Mr. Sedney explained as part of the Ives Street Area Revitalization Project, a pedestrian way is intended to be constructed on Post Office Street. This pedestrian way will be of red and grey brick with flowers and shrubs for dressing.

The money requested at this time is to be used to close off Post Office Street and complete phase one of this project. Phase one will be approximately 100 feet long starting from Main Street. Mr. Sedney also explained the reason for constructing the Post Office Street Project in two phases, is to allow the Cardinale Auto Repair Inc. of 3 Post Office Street, the time needed to complete their new building and vacate the Post Office Street Building.

At this time Councilwoman McManus moved to suspend the rules at the committee meeting. Councilman DaSilva seconded the motion which passed unanimously. The reason for this motion was to allow Attorney Bennett and his clients Richard and Alex Cardinale to express their concerns.

The main concerns of the Cardinales are the delivery trucks to Benedicts, blocking their driveway and their customers being able to drive into their repair shop. Mr. Sedney stated the remainder of Post Office Street that wasn't being developed would become a two way street entering and exiting on Ives Street. Mr. Sedney also said he would speak to Benedicts about their deliveries being at a set time, preferably before 9:00 A.M. Mr. Sedney also stated the City would have a construction supervisor on the construction site and he would be instructed not to allow any construction equipment to block the entrance to the Cardinale Auto Repair Shop.

At this time Councilwoman McManus moved to recommend to the Common Council that phase I of the Ives Street Revitalization Project be approved and the allocation of \$50,000 also be approved. Councilman DaSilva seconded the motion which passed unanimously at the committee meeting.

Mr. Gallo stated that Certification #30 in the amount of \$50,000, dated May 31, 1985 was attached to the Report.

A motion was made by Councilwoman McManus and seconded by Councilman Godfrey for the Report to be accepted and funding approved. Motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC SPEAKING SESSION

In accordance with the City Charter, Section 3-4, Mayor Dyer asked for any resident or taxpayer of the City who wished to address the Council on the matters before the Council this evening, to come forward.

Attorney David Bennett requested permission to speak. When it was determined that he was not a resident or taxpayer, Mayor Dyer asked to take a vote on interference in the rules of the charter.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Skoff and seconded by Councilman Farah to suspend the Charter rules and grant the interference of the rules. Motion carried with Councilman Gallo voting NAY.

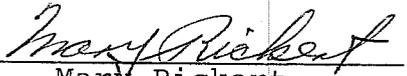
Attorney Bennett spoke in opposition to the project stating that it would interfere with the Cardinale's business of auto repairs. The construction of the new Cardinale building will not be ready before the project begins. He objected to the timing.

Alex Cardinale spoke stating - closing half of the street will hurt his business.

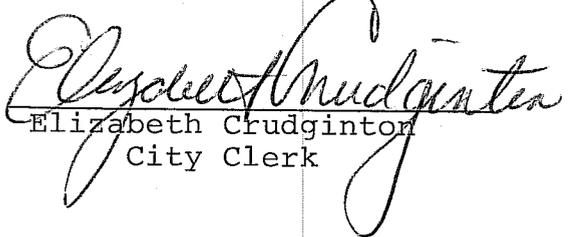
Mayor Dyer explained that the City is not going to deny access. It will be a reverse access, and deliveries will be allowed only at certain times.

There being no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion was made by Councilman Gallo and seconded by Councilman Charles for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:30 O'Clock P.M. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

  
Mary Rickert  
Assistant City Clerk

Attest:

  
Elizabeth Crudginton  
City Clerk