

BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

February 6, 1996

7:30 PM

Mayor Wieczorek called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll. There were twelve Aldermen present.

Present: Ald. Wihby, Elise, Reiniger, Sysyn, Clancy, Soucy, Shea, Domaingue, Pariseau, Cashin, Robert, Hirschmann.

Mayor Wieczorek recessed the regular meeting to allow the continuation of the special meeting of the Board.

Mayor Wieczorek called the meeting back to order.

CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Wieczorek advised if you desire to remove any of the following items from the Consent Agenda please so indicate. If none of the items are to be removed, one motion only will be taken at the conclusion of the presentation.

Minutes Accepted

- A. Minutes of meetings held May 2, 1995; May 16, 1995; May 23, 1995, and June 6, 1995.

Informational to be Received and Filed

- B. Communication from Airport Authority submitting minutes of their December 21, 1995 meeting.
- C. Communication from Manchester Transit Authority submitting minutes of their meeting held November 28, 1995 and the Financial and Ridership Reports for the months of November and December 1995.
- E. Communication from Larry E. Gilpin, Vice President/General Manager, IMES Communications, expressing their gratitude for the Board's letter dated January 17, 1996.

REFERRALS TO COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- G. Communication from the Planning Director advising that the City has been awarded a federal grant in the amount of \$141,000 to develop ten interpretive displays, a signage program and a visitor center in the Millyard.

COMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

- I. Communication from Ald. Pariseau requesting the Committee on Personnel review Personnel review part-time/job share employees hired after August 1, 1994 being eligible for medical health coverage on a pro-rated basis.
- J. Communication from Ronald Ludwig, Director, Parks, Recreation, & Cemetery Department, submitting a proposed reorganization plan of the Parks, Recreation, & Cemetery Department.

COMMITTEE ON TRAFFIC

- K. Communication from E. Scott McQuade on behalf of fourteen Downtown merchants expressing their gratitude for the City having the courage and belief that Downtown retailing can survive and prosper, and hoping that a long-term solution can be agreed upon relative to free short-term parking.

HAVING READ THE CONSENT AGENDA, ON MOTION OF ALD. WIHBY, DULY SECONDED BY ALD. ROBERT, IT WAS VOTED THAT THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED.

- D. Communication from the Director of Office of Youth Services advising that Judy Cooper, Substance Abuse Evaluator for the City of Manchester was named the New Hampshire Alcoholism and Drug Counselor of the Year.

Mayor Wieczorek requested Regis Lemaire to address this item.

Mr. Lemaire stated he wished to present Judy Cooper from his office, an employee who had been doing an outstanding job and had just received an award from the State of New Hampshire, the NH Counselor's Association in Alcohol and Drug Abuse treatment, she was their assessor for alcohol and drugs in the City noting she reviewed approximately 150 assessments and had developed a substance abuse inventory system for youngsters, the judges, the content of alcohol or drugs, their ability to be truthful, whether there was depression and it was a very good system they had not had in the past and also wanted to thank the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor that the position was created and it saved the taxpayers thousands of dollars because an assessment done in the private sector cost a lot of money. The reason the position had been created was primarily to allow citizens to access monies for the treatment of their youngsters so they could do a quick assessment and asked that she approach the Mayor to receive her award as Counselor of the Year.

Mayor Wieczorek in presenting Ms. Cooper her award stated he was pleased to be allowed to make the presentation and read the plaque as follows:

Judith E. Cooper, MACADAC

In recognition and appreciation for the many years of devotion to quality alcohol and other drug treatment in New Hampshire.

Mayor Wieczorek continued by stating on behalf of the City of Manchester extended best wishes to her for a job well-done and the recognition she had brought to herself, our City, and the department.

H. Communication from Toni Pappas, Chairman, Hillsborough County Board of Commissioners relative to the Pine Island 4-H Center.

Ald. Wihby noted that Ms. Pappas had indicated in her communication that she was requesting a response within thirty days and asked if the Board would be able to act on her request and bring it back from Committee to the full Board and give her an answer.

Ald. Robert indicated there was a meeting scheduled in two weeks and if the Board did not mind it could be brought out of Committee right away.

Ald. Wihby stated it had been approved by the Parks & Recreation Commission and that it now needed to be reviewed by the Solicitor's Office and thought it benefited the City and was needed in Ward 8 and was only rebuilding what had already been there.

Mayor Wieczorek asked Assistant Solicitor Arnold if he had looked at the documents he would need to review.

Assistant Solicitor Arnold replied he had not reviewed those documents and did not know if they had been received in the office but noted there was a related document tied up in the transaction with Blue Cross/Blue Shield being the right of first refusal on the property which he had forwarded to Mr. Ludwig for his review and presumed that his office could come back with a recommendation on that matter within thirty days.

Mayor Wieczorek thought it would be better if it was reviewed by the City Solicitor's Office, get it straightened out.

Mr. MacKenzie stated the next scheduled CIP meeting was for February 27th and thought that might be too late to meet the thirty day period unless the City Clerk's Office to conduct a poll of the Committee after the Solicitor's Office had reviewed the matter.

Mayor Wieczorek asked if there was anything beyond the City Solicitor they would need be concerned about.

Ald. Wihby moved that the communication from Toni Pappas be referred to the City Solicitor's Office and a poll of the CIP Committee conducted at that time with a report at the next Board meeting. Ald. Robert duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

- F. Communication from John C. Mongan, notifying the Board that he has not had a response from the Airport Authority relative to his recommendation that the Manchester Airport terminal be named in honor of Alan B. Shepard.

Ald. Pariseau moved that the communication from Mr. Mongan be forwarded to the Airport Authority requesting they respond to Mr. Mongan's letter. Ald. Domaingue duly seconded the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

4. Communication from Mayor Wieczorek regarding Joint School Buildings Committee.

Mayor Wieczorek noted Ald. Robert was currently serving on the Committee on Joint School Buildings and after his having had an opportunity to examine his workload indicated it was heavy a recommendation was made to replace Ald. Robert with Ald. Domaingue on that particular Committee.

On motion of Ald. Wihby, duly seconded by Ald. Pariseau, it was voted to appoint Ald. Domaingue as a member of the Committee on Joint School Buildings.

5. Communication from Ald. Domaingue requesting that the Board reinstate the monthly public forum at the first meeting of every month.

Ald. Pariseau moved that the communication from Ald. Domaingue be referred to the Committee on Administration. Ald. Robert duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Domaingue stated the intent on her part was to try and find some common ground between what had occurred at the last public forum and it really would restore the opportunity for the public to address the Board on issues that might come up suddenly and thought it had been pointed out this evening by members of the public. Public input for the Board was very important noting they all recognized that and it enabled the constituents to address the full Board rather than a single Alderman who at any given time may not be as receptive to those concerns or it could be an issue which involved the attention of the entire Board at that time. She was very sensitive to the Board's concern in the past that the Board conduct their business in a timely manner noting the meetings had run lengthy and was aware of such and that there was potential that public forums could be to whatever extent might be interpreted abused with the relationship that the Board needed to hear from more of the public and not continually from repeated members of the public noting she had long been an advocate of hearing from the public and did not think there was any question about that and it was not her intent on limiting people or the number of times they could speak to wanting to limit the public as she was prepared to sit there all night and listen to them, your Honor, if that need be the case. But, the School Board, your Honor and members of the Board, did have public forums currently at the encouragement in 1986 of several parents and the Airport Authority, your

Honor, had public forums currently. It was a process that should be open, all government, to the public, yet the Board needed to be mindful and they needed to be mindful that it was their business that the Board conducted and in closing she wanted to point out that each Board member appeals to the public every two years when they are asked for their votes, that they do listen to them and the Board members in turn ask them to participate in their City government and it was because it had become such a hot issue for the public that she would vote against moving it to Committee as she thought they should make a determination on it tonight.

Ald. Shea believed they should have open forums, as well, and believed that it gave the general public an opportunity to present to the elected officials what their concerns might be and believed that the Board had heard tonight from enlightened citizens concerning issues which concerned them and concurred that there should be open forums as Ald. Domaingue had suggested.

Ald. Robert thought he had been one of those at the beginning who had got the forums started noting he was also one of those who sat there and listened to the public as they had come in, had listened through the high points and the low points but thought what the Board might want to do would be to discuss some sort of structure, not so much that he was against them but structuring it somehow so that it would serve the purposes of the public and the needs of the Board, as well, and thought the Committee on Administration was the proper place to talk about possible structures on how to proceed with it and was willing to listen to anything, and anything the Committee would come up with and reiterated a thorough examine of the structure was necessary.

Ald. Wihby believed one of the recommendations was that the sub-committee have the public forum and allow participation at the sub-committee level and if someone was to ask an Alderman or let an Alderman know ahead of time that they wanted a few minutes to discuss an item which would be discussed at the committee level thought that was one way they would have the input, they could go to the meeting, everybody would listen noting decisions were made before it came to the Board level anyway, so if they approached it and had the public forum at the committee level while they would be discussing the items and those five Aldermen heard the different concerns maybe that would change their minds on some issues but thought it should be done at that level before being presented at the Board level and thought that was one of the suggestions which could be brought up.

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to refer the communication to the Committee on Administration. Ald. Domaingue, Hirschmann, Soucy and Shea voted nay. Ald. Pariseau, Cashin, Robert, Wihby, Elise, Reiniger, Sysyn and Clancy voted yea. The motion carried.

- 6.** Communication from Ald. Elise requesting that the Board direct the City Clerk's Office to forward a letter of recognition and appreciation to the Smyth Road School /Parent Teachers Organization relative to the refurbishing of the school gymnasium.

Ald. Elise moved that a letter be forwarded to the Smyth Road School/Parent Teachers Organization. Ald. Wihby duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Elise stated the Smyth Road PTO had worked very hard on the gym and knew there were a lot of efforts all over the City with private citizens and group participants to make buildings better or participate in volunteer programs and wanted to be recognized for their efforts and have the Board forward a letter to them commending them for what they had done.

Mayor Wieczorek called for a vote on the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

- 7.** Communication from Ald. Elise requesting the Board make available to the public for purchase a two-color version of the City flag.

Ald. Pariseau moved that the communication from Ald. Elise be referred to the Committee on Administration. Ald. Clancy duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Elise thought it could be discussed thoroughly in Administration but knew that a lot of people had commented that the City was flying the City Seal flag above City Hall and thought it was wonderful and in looking at the cost of the flag noted it was prohibitive and knew that the State had various versions of the State flag noting she herself had one which she had paid \$35.00 for and wished to ask the Board to look at whatever procedures they would need to look into relative to authorization of such a flag.

Mayor Wieczorek called for a vote on the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

- 8.** Communication from the Deputy Finance Director advising of the receipt of Drug Forfeiture funds in the amount of \$1,525.70, requesting the Board accept same and remand for the purpose intended.

On motion of Ald. Robert, duly seconded by Ald. Shea, it was voted that the Board accept the funds and remand for the purpose intended.

- 9.** Communication from Frank Thomas, Public Works Director, Department of Highways, requesting approval of the retirement of Albert W. McAllister effective March 1, 1996 as submitted.

On motion of Ald. Pariseau, duly seconded by Ald. Clancy, it was voted to accept the retirement of Albert W. McAllister as submitted.

- 10.** Communications regarding Memorial High School Band uniforms

as follows:

- (a) Communication from Lawrence and Barbara Allard, urging the Board support a resolution guaranteeing the funds necessary to purchase new uniforms for the Memorial High School Band, so that uniforms can be ordered before the March 1st deadline; and
- (b) Communication from Park Linscomb, President, Memorial POPS, requesting the Board provide a guarantee to the School Board of \$30,000 before March 1, 1996, to purchase uniforms for Memorial's High School Band.

Mayor Wieczorek recommended that the communications be referred to the Committee on Accounts in order to allow time to review what could be done noting he would check to see what he could do himself and would try to resolve it, so action could be taken in a timely manner.

Ald. Pariseau moved that the communications be referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Ald. Hirschmann duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Domaingue stated there were a lot of parents present noting the Board had heard from them this evening and mindful that it was the City's Sesquicentennial year which was a celebration of who we were, where we're going, where we've come from with a history of having the courage to take risks and to provide solutions and realized it was not a small request being made by the parents and their children but that they made a giant contribution to the City of Manchester, the same as our athletes did. A music program is curriculum-based as had been cited by the parents, their performance was graded, their classrooms were structured noting it was not an extra-curricular activity. Yet, in looking at the City's acknowledgment of those two items, very essential to the learning process (music and athletics) she saw a separate athletics budget which exceeded \$1.2 million and a music budget seemed to be lost in the bigger picture of the School Department. They complimented each other, music and athletics, in their service to our community but wondered if in this the year of the City's 150th celebration what message was being sent to our students tonight when it would be tabled or sent to further investigate. If they were not attempting to find a solution tonight, she was troubled by the fact that they might be sending the wrong message and asked her colleagues if they would realistically send their football players onto a field without uniforms. Yet, uniforms seemed to be the last priority for students of music when 75 to 80 percent of them are known to be regularly on the Honor Roll in the City of Manchester, those students who three times a year regardless of weather will play their hearts out to the delight of our veterans, to the delight of our seniors, to the delight of our families when they march down Elm Street. They never shortchange us with their performance, it was magnificent and would like to think that in this Sesquicentennial year, they begin to react in ways to find solutions to problems and not reasons why we cannot do something noting she would turn to the School Department and ask if there was any way between the two Boards that they could

find a solution to the funding problem for the Memorial High School Band uniforms and asked if the Board could hear from Mr. Bernard.

Mayor Wiczorek stated there was a motion on the floor and noted Ald. Domaingue was not on the Board when they had worked out the last problem regarding band uniforms and did not think it was asking too much to ask for the couple of weeks there was between meetings to try and resolve the problem and felt certain that the problem would be resolved and thought if they would be taking this approach it might not solve the problem as he thought it should be solved.

Ald. Shea concurred with Ald. Domaingue that the Board should allow the School Department to possibly come forward noting time was of the essence and there were many people in the south end of the City who were being shortchanged as of this date noting they would like the problem to be resolved as soon as possible and thought if it could be resolved in two weeks, it could be resolved tonight and come forward with a presentation of sorts.

Mayor Wiczorek stated it could not be resolved tonight as it was his intention is to try and contact my source, the anonymous source noting he would have done it if he had been able too, but was unable to and he was asking for two weeks to try and resolve it as it was his feeling that it could be satisfactorily resolved.

Ald. Shea asked if that meant that those present would have a definite answer before March 1st.

Mayor Wiczorek stated there would be a resolution by the next meeting to the problem and asked for a vote on the motion. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

- 11.** Communication from Roger M. Descheneau, Business Administrator, requesting that a maximum appropriation of \$40,000 be allocated and maintained in a non-lapsing reserve fund for the financing of all or part of the cost of replacement, cleaning, and general upkeep of band uniforms at the three high schools.

Mayor Wiczorek recommended that the Board oppose the request as he did not think they wanted to have various special accounts.

Ald. Wihby did not think there could be a non-lapsing account if it was non-capital anyway and did not think there was one now.

Ald. Wihby moved to deny the request from Mr. Descheneau. Ald. Elise duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Elise added that particular request was mind-boggling in that if the School Department was unable to manage their own funds and needed to come to the Board so separate accounts could be set up for them then there was no need for the School Board and thought the parents were victims of School Board politics in terms of what they found were priorities or not. There were four members of the previous School Board who had voted and who had researched that funding was there for the uniforms and thought that particular method of going to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and asking them to manage their affairs was ludicrous noting the separate sports budget had been set up because the School Board had kept on dipping into the sports account to fill funding for other issues noting specifically in the previous year where the School Board had found money for raises for administration within the budget but yet weren't able to find money in the budget for issues such as this one and thought it was preposterous that aside from denying it the Board should send a letter back to the School Board stating that the Board would not entertain anymore requests of that nature.

Ald. Soucy stated with all due respect to the Alderman from Ward 2 thought the reason for it was that the School Board did not have the authority to set up such a fund within the jurisdictions they had and the only place they could entertain such a query was at this Board and in reference to Ald. Wihby's earlier statement asked how it differed from the Special Education Fund which had been set up through the public hearing process to setting up a non-lapsing fund.

Mr. Clougherty replied there was a special revenue tied to the fund or they would set up some sort of arrangement where there was a special revenue source which did not lapse and the motion just taken relative to item 10 referring to Committee on Accounts was an appropriate place where they would be able to think about different structures for something in the future which might not exactly be what was recommended here but they could look at other alternatives.

Ald. Soucy stated so that being the case it would be possible that this type of fund and not to throw in an appropriation necessarily, if parents or other organizations within the community wanted to raise funds they could then deposit them into the account and it wouldn't then roll over into lapse money which ended in the General Fund, so there would be some merit in the long run to at least giving the account space for those organizations which wanted to contribute to it to see the money used over the long term and maintain what they had invested in eventually.

Mr. Clougherty thought there was a way to accomplish what they wanted to do but did not think the way that item 11 was worded was the way it should be done and thought as part of item 10 they would be able to talk about it at Committee on Accounts and probably come out with a better recommendation that the Board could entertain at its next meeting.

Ald. Soucy indicated she wanted to make it clear that she would vote for the motion but with the understanding that the Committee on Accounts would pursue the issue of setting up a special reserve account because she thought what the students and parents were saying was that they needed to do something in the long run, develop an on-going policy to maintain the investment of the uniforms and not end up with having to go to some anonymous donor who may or may not be there from time-to-time which was not an adequate solution in the long-run.

Ald. Domaingue stated she would support the motion to send it to Committee but would not support in any way any kind of communication to the School Board which would be negative at this point or the department and hopefully they would be able to maintain communication between the School Department, School Board, and the Board of Mayor and Aldermen.

Ald. Hirschmann thought Mr. Descheneau had just prepared a \$53 million budget and asked if there was a line item for band uniforms.

Mayor Wieczorek stated that was premature as they were only now beginning to analyze the budgets.

Ald. Hirschmann asked if the cards couldn't be put on the table and asked once again if they had put anything in their budget for band uniforms.

Ald. Wihby did not believe they had.

Mr. Girard stated the budget which was given to the Mayor had within their special line item project a \$15,000 allocation for Memorial High School Band uniforms and it was his understanding that the School Board Finance Committee upped that amount to \$30,000 specifically for Memorial High School, there was, however, nothing he had seen in their regular line items that would provide anything for band uniforms on an on-going basis.

Ald. Hirschmann stated based on what Mr. Girard just said he was not in favor of setting up any slush fund for any departments noting they had their regular budgetary processes which he was in favor of.

Ald. Wihby stated he would echo Ald. Hirschmann's statement noting that the proper procedure for the School Board would be to put it into their own line and own budget which would go to the School Board then to the Board of Mayor and Aldermen and there could be set up a non-lapsing revenue account for them in case if they went out and got donations the money could be theirs and they could use it on an on-going basis to take care of the maintenance of the band uniforms but did not think they should set up a non-

lapsing reserve fund over there, nor should some of the contingency monies be given for band uniforms when it was clearly a School Board issue, so the motion he made was to receive and file it and if accounts wanted to look at it at the same time as item 10 was okay with him.

Mayor Wieczorek called for a vote on the motion to deny the request. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Mayor Wieczorek presented the following nominations:

Zoning Board of Adjustment:

Calvin Cramer, 604 Straw Hill Road, to sit as an Alternate.

Parks, Recreation, & Cemetery Commission:

Fred E. Harris, 68 Old Wellington Road, to succeed George Lindh, term to expire July 7, 1997.

Piscataquog River Local Advisory Committee:

Michael Cunningham to succeed Jack Rice,
(There is no term to this position.)

Airport Authority:

Patrick Duffy to succeed himself, term to expire March 1, 2001.

Mayor Wieczorek advised that under the rules, the nominations would lay over to the next meeting.

- 13.** Confirmation of nomination of Daniel Goonan to fill a vacant position as a Planning Board member, term expiring May 1, 1997.

On motion of Ald. Pariseau, duly seconded by Ald. Reiniger, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Daniel Goonan to fill a vacant position as a Planning Board member, term to expire May 1, 1996.

- 14.** Confirmation of nomination of Michael J. Netkovick to succeed himself as a member of the Retirement Board, term expiring January 1, 1999.

On motion of Ald. Hirschmann, duly seconded by Ald. Shea, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Michael J. Netkovick to succeed himself as a member of the Retirement Board, term to expire January 1, 1999.

- 15.** Confirmation of nomination of Catherine Schneiderat to succeed herself as a Highway Commissioner, term to expire January 15, 1999.

On motion of Ald. Elise, duly seconded by Ald. Soucy, it was voted to confirm the nomination of Catherine Schneiderat to succeed herself as a Highway Commissioner, term to expire January 15, 1999.

16. Confirmation of nominations to succeed William F. Kelley to the Highway Commission, term expiring January 15, 1999. Nominations are as follows:

William F. Kelley
Socrates Makris

Votes cast were as follows:

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| Ward 1 | Ald. Wihby voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 2 | Ald. Elise voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 3 | Ald. Reiniger voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 4 | Ald. Sysyn voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 5 | Ald. Clancy voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 6 | Ald. Soucy voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 7 | Ald. Shea voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 8 | Ald. Domaingue voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 9 | Ald. Pariseau voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 10 | Ald. Cashin voted for William F. Kelley |
| Ward 11 | Ald. Robert voted for Socrates Makris |
| Ward 12 | Ald. Hirschmann voted for Socrates Makris |

There being ten votes for William F. Kelley, Mayor Wiczorek advised Mr. Kelley was confirmed to succeed himself as a member of the Highway Commission, term to expire January 15, 1999.

NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk read the following communication into the record:

Dear Sirs and Madams:

As you know, the 150th Birthday Celebration Committee (the "150th") has taken over the responsibilities of the Sesquicentennial Commission. In connection with that effort, as Treasurer of the 150th, I hereby request that you approve transferring the checking account established by the Commission. Specifics of the account follows:

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| Bank: | First NH Bank |
| Account Number: | 150002022979 |
| Appraisal: | \$3,300.00 |
| Account Name: | City of Manchester Sesquicentennial Commission |

Please fee free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

s/Richard M. Murray
Treasurer

Ald. Clancy moved to approve request to transfer funds. Ald. Wihby duly seconded the motion.

Ald. Soucy stated the original Sesquicentennial Commission had borrowed monies from the City Clerk's Office and asked if any of those monies was to have come from this account to reimburse the Clerk's Office and asked if any reimbursement had taken place.

The Clerk stated the City Clerk's Office had not received reimbursement to date noting there had originally been an intent which was to be contract manpower paid by the City Clerk's budget and was to have come back from fund raising activities and in conversation with the City Clerk noted it was in a previous budget period as well and the City Clerk's Office had no objection if it was the Board's desire to have those funds go directly noting it would not affect their budget at this point.

Mayor Wieczorek called for a vote on the motion to approve transferring the funds as requested. There being none opposed, the motion carried.

Ald. Reiniger in reference to a letter from the Amherst St. Business Owners and in view of the new Manchester District Court building noted there were parking concerns of the businesses on Amherst and Vine Streets who had come up with a proposed parking arrangement.

On motion of Ald. Reiniger, duly seconded by Ald. Soucy, it was voted to refer the communication from the Amherst St. Business Owners to the Committee on Traffic.

Ald. Wihby asked if the Charter Review Commission would be needing monies to get started or office space or something which the Board should allocate and let Finance set it up in the event they would need funds.

Several Aldermen asked why funding would be needed.

Mr. Girard stated he had attended the meeting and as he understood it when he left the meeting, the three officers would be getting together with the City Clerk's Office to review the budget of the past Charter Commission and come forward if any determination had been made that funds would be needed at which time they would approach the Board with their request.

Ald. Elise wished to report to the Board of an experience she had with a company the City had granted an economic development revolving loan to a couple of years ago - OMNI Footware which was located at 79 Elm Street noting it was owned by the Sansoucie family who resided in Manchester noted she had need of their services for dyeable shoes in both large and small quantities and wanted to let the Board know that she was very excited about it as she had gone to their location with a problem she had with the shoes she was to wear to the Inaugural Ball and were able to provide her with a pair of shoes quickly and was pleased to see that they were a thriving business.

Ald. Hirschmann stated he wished to refer an item to the Committee on Traffic relative to Joseph Street in his ward which was a fragmented street.

Mayor Wieczorek requested that the City Clerk's Office meet with Ald. Hirschmann and review the procedures with him relative to referring business to various Committees.

Mayor Wieczorek recessed the meeting to meet with the Chief Negotiator regarding union negotiations.

Mayor Wieczorek called the meeting back to order.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, on motion of Ald. Clancy, duly seconded by Ald. Pariseau, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

City Clerk