

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

HELD ON JUNE 24, 1959

The Members of the Boston Redevelopment Authority met in regular session at the offices of the Authority, Room 350, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, at 10:00 a.m. on June 24, 1959. The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, and upon roll call those present and absent were as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Msgr. F. J. Lally	Joseph W. Lund
James G. Colbert	
Melvin J. Massucco	
Stephen E. McCloskey	

A copy of the NOTICE OF MEETING, pursuant to Section 23A of Chapter 39 of the General Laws, with the CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING attached thereto, was read and ordered spread upon the minutes of this meeting and filed for record.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23A of Chapter 39 of the General Laws that a meeting of the Boston Redevelopment Authority will be held at ten o'clock a.m. on June 24, 1959 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Kane Simonian

June 19, 1959 Title: Secretary

CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING

I, Kane Simonian, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, do hereby certify that on June 19, 1959, I filed, in the manner provided by Sec. 23A, Chapter 39, General Laws, with the City Clerk of the City of Boston, Massachusetts, a NOTICE OF MEETING of which the foregoing is a true and correct copy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Authority this 19th day of June, 1959.

Kane Simonian
Secretary

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The minutes of the meeting of June 10th were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read,

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to engage temporary help from Manpower, Inc. when needed for rush assignments*

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the letter from the MTA regarding relocation of MTA utilities in the West End area be placed on file until the Revised Plan is approved and that the Executive Director acknowledge receipt of the letter.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to answer Councillor Foley's order on the Martin School Site in the form prepared by the Executive Director, subject to the approval of Monsignor Lally.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to comply with Councillor Piemonte's order re unpaid taxes in the New York Streets Project,

The Executive Director submitted the Site Office reports on the following tenants: (Elizabeth Blood, John Venditti, Rose Stephenson, Herbert Day, Moses Resh, Alfred Winick, Mrs. Lou Gallagher, Mrs. Burke, Frank Cianciola, Frank Powell, Emmett Paxton, Erick Joseph,

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director contact the above-named tenants and notify them that they will be evicted on July 20, 1959 unless temporary relocation is accepted; and further that the Executive Director be authorized to issue eviction warrants for the eviction of the foregoing tenants if they do not comply with the above conditions.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Executive Director to purchase a calculator and a dictaphone machine if and when needed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED; to approve travel to Newport, Rhode Island for Lloyd Sinclair to attend the Regional Conference of NAHRO on Monday, June 22, 1959.

A letter from the Boston Housing Authority with reference to census surveys was read and the Executive Director was instructed to acknowledge the letter and express appreciation to the Housing Authority for its cooperation.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that an Administrative Clerk was needed in connection with the pro tanto offers being made to the property owners and in connection with other operations of the Authority.

The Executive Director recommended the appointment of Joseph Todesco at \$4500 per year, and presented information to the Authority with respect to comparable salaries prevailing in other agencies for this type of service.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the recommendation of the Executive Director and approve the appointment of Joseph Todesco as Administrative Clerk at \$4500.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that in his opinion there was an inequality in the salaries of the newly appointed Coordinator, the Land Acquisition Consultant and the Assistant Director, and that the position of Assistant Director in a program of the size of this Authority's warranted a salary of \$10,000, which would make it comparable to similar positions of responsibility in other agencies. This proposed increase is consistent with the Comparability of Salaries Schedule for this position, previously adopted by the Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the increase of \$500 in the salary of William J. Johnson, Assistant Executive Director.

The Executive Director presented a request from the Duane Company for permission to burn rubble in the West End for ninety days. A discussion followed, which included a report from Wallace Orpin on the results of the previous burning permitted by the Authority for a two-week period.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that in order to expedite the progress of demolition and site preparation, the Duane Company be authorized to burn rubble in the West End project site for a two-week period commencing June 25th to July 8th, inclusive, under the same conditions as the previous permit was issued, namely, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday only, and in piles not to exceed fifteen feet in height, subject to the approval of the Fire Commissioner.

The Executive Director distributed a letter to the Authority from the URA approving the form of contract with Caruso Associates.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the contract with Caruso Associates be approved and the Vice Chairman be authorized to execute same.

The Executive Director presented for discussion the matter of the Mattapan Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to invite Messrs. Herten and Rosano developers from New York, who have shown a sincere interest in the project, to meet with the Authority on Monday, June 29th, at 10:00 a.m. for the purpose of discussing the project.

Relocation and Demolition reports, West End, were distributed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to evict Finney's Cafe, and that the Executive Director be authorized to sign the eviction warrant.

The Executive Director distributed copies of the report on the Fishlin family, tenants in the West End, who are in arrears in rent and for whom

considerable hardship exists. After a review of the report and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the rent arrearage of \$206, 60 be waived because of the hardship existing in this case and further that the relocation payment be authorized for this family*

The Executive Director reported to the Authority on the fact that Gus¹ Parking Lot on Cambridge Street had not complied with the Authority's request on arrearage:

On motion duly made and seconded, the Executive Director was instructed to write a letter, served by a constable, to Gus¹ Parking Lot, informing the owners that unless rent arrearage was paid in full up to July 1st, an eviction notice would be served; and further that the Executive Director be authorized to sign the eviction warrant if the above conditions are not complied with.

The Executive Director presented to the Authority a list of trial attorneys who had been screened and recommended by the General Counsel for trial work in connection with the West End project land damage cases. Also presented was a schedule of fees recommended by the General Counsel, as follows:

per day of trial work;	\$150	-	maximum: \$450
per hr. waiting trial:	\$10	-	maximum: \$ 30
total allowable maximum per case: \$530, plus incidental witness fees not to exceed \$50			

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the foregoing schedule of fees and the following list of trial attorneys:

Michael A. D'Avoli®	20 pemberton Square, Boston
John. T. Day	211 Barristers ¹ Hall, Boston
Christian A. Herter, Jr.	1 Federal St., Boston
John Kewer	60 State St., Boston
Henry F. O'Connell, Jr.	89 State St., Boston
Edward I. Masterman	73 Tremont St., Boston
George Murray	40 Court St., Boston
James J. Sullivan, Jr.	75 State St., Boston
Lewis H. Weinstein	10 Post Office Sq. , Boston

and further, that the following determinations be made: (a) that the foregoing are qualified legally and by experience to perform the services to be provided

in accordance with the contract, and (b) the compensation to be paid the contractor is fair and proper under all the circumstances and at a rate not in excess of which is customarily paid for services of equivalent scope and quality, and (c) that it is in the best interests of the project that contracts be awarded to the foregoing attorneys without consideration of bids or proposals.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

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Secretary