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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON JANUARY 28, 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 January 28, 1959. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, and upon roll call those present and absent were as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Joseph W. Lund	James G. Colbert (came into meeting later)
Very Rev. Msgr, F. J. Lally	Stephen E. McCloskey (came into meeting later)
Melvin J. Massucco	

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 January 28, 1959 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By

Kane Simonian

January 23, 1959

Title _____ Secretary _____

CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING
(Sec. 23A, Chapter 39, General Laws)

I, Kane Simonian, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, do hereby certify that on January 23, 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 23d day of January, 1959.

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Kane Simonian
Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of January- 21, 1959 were read by the Secretary. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the minutes as read,

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to engage a Clerk Typist not to exceed \$3200 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Cynthia Miller.

Mr. McCloskey entered the meeting at this point.

A letter from Mayor John B. Hynes concerning the Finance Committee recommendations was read by the Executive Director. After a discussion, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director prepare an answer.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve payment of \$2500 to William H, Dolben, Jr. for services rendered for a re-use appraisal made in connection with the Whitney Redevelopment Project.

The Executive Director read a letter from the School Committee with respect to three schools which are to be abandoned in the Charlestown and South End area. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be instructed to confer with the Planner-Coordinator and Planning Board Staff in order to make a report to the Authority prior to answering the letter.

Relocation and Demolition Reports of priority areas, West End, were distributed.

The Executive Director stated that there would be a meeting at the Parker Hill Library February 10, 1959 at 8:00 p.m. by a group in the Whitney Redevelopment area. After a discussion, it was agreed that the Chairman, Executive Director and Planning Coordinator attend the meeting.

The General Counsel reported on the new procedure for the hearing of bills in the Legislature in the absence of the printing of a daily calendar.

The Executive Director read a letter from the American Legion Pulaski Post, West End, requesting payment for damages due to the taking of the premises on which the organization is now located.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to refer the matter to the General Counsel for disposition.

The Executive Director recommended the advisability of engaging a qualified real estate management firm to make a rental and management survey of the properties in the Government Center area in preparation for the management of these properties if and when the project is carried out, and for the purpose of providing budgetary cost estimates for the management and operation of the acquired property. After a discussion, the Chairman agreed to review the matter and make recommendations at the next meeting.

Mr. Colbert entered the meeting at this point.

The Executive Director distributed copies of the financial report of the operations of the Authority during 1958 and a rough draft of the narrative in connection with the financial report. In accordance with Section 26U of Chapter 121 of the General Laws, it is required that copies of the financial report and activities be submitted to the Mayor, State Auditor and State Housing Board during the month of January. It was brought out that the By-laws of the Authority called for the adoption of the annual report on the date of the annual meeting of the Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to defer action on the approval of the annual report until the By-laws are amended or until the annual meeting.

A report by Mr. Wallace B. Orpin, Chief of Development & Planning, showing the number of times vacated properties had been boarded up was distributed. A report also by Mr. Orpin concerning the use of fires by the

Demolition Contractor of the West End Demolition Project, was read,

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be instructed to write to the John J. Duane Company, requesting a responsible official to attend the meeting of the Authority on February 4, 1959.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a proposed budgetary request from the City of Boston for the year 1959. After a discussion, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Authority submit a budget to the City of Boston in the amount of \$76,125, as estimated.

The Executive Director distributed case reports from the Site Office concerning uncooperative tenants who are delinquent in their use and occupancy charges. After a discussion of the individual cases, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to sign the sheriff's warrants for the eviction of the following 12 site tenants: Tillie Grezak, Goldie Stone, Audrey Hoverkamp, Rita LaFlamme, Angelo Catanesi, Adolma Bestjak, Albina Patane, A. Straford, James Gattuso, Joseph Solari, Bernice Faneuf and D. Warnock.

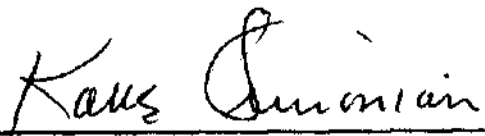
The General Counsel reported to the Authority on Land Damage Case Parcel No, 150-30, Catherine Gemmatto, West End Project. On the recommendation of the General Counsel and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the General Counsel be authorized to settle the Land Damage Case for Parcel 150-30 in the amount of \$12,000, plus BRA share of taxes, subject to the concurrence of the URA.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m.


Secretary