

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON APRIL 22, 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 10:10 a.m. on April 22, 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>
Very Rev. Msgr. F.J. Lally James G. Colbert Melvin J. Massucco Stephen E. McCloskey	Joseph W. Lund

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 10:00 a.m. on April 22, 1959, at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

April 17, 1959

By Kane Simonian

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 April 17, 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 17th day of April, 1959-

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Kane Simonian
Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of April 15, 1959 were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that His Honor, Mayor Hynes, had scheduled a meeting with the Authority, consultants and Planning Board on April 29th at 11:00 a.m. to discuss the Government Centex Project.

The Executive Director distributed copies of the tentative lease provisions for the Whitney Street Project. After a discussion of the lease provisions, the Executive Director was instructed to contact the principals of the Beacon Redevelopment Corporation and advise them of the Authority's views.

The Executive Director discussed the matter of a \$2076.96 invoice to the Boston Housing Authority with respect to the alleged over-charge for salary of the Chief of Development, which the auditors had questioned in the last and current audit. The Executive Director stated that he had explained to the auditors the facts in this case, which prove that this was not an over-charge. The Housing Authority on October 17, 1957 voted to transfer the Chief of Development, Mr. John Millerick. The intention of this vote was to retain Mr. Millerick as an employee of the Housing Authority after the separation of Urban Renewal. In fact, Mr. Millerick continued with his duties; his desk, files and other equipment remained in the same location and there are maps and correspondence in our files signed by him dated after the October 17th vote, which clearly establish the fact that he was still working for the Urban Renewal Division and therefore the charge for his services was properly made.

The auditors accepted this explanation with the request that the Authority officially vote to assent to the explanation.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to withdraw the invoice for services of the Chief of Development in the amount of \$2076.96 and that the Authority accept and adopt the explanation for the alleged over-charge.

The Executive Director reported to the Authority that the structure at 1-3-5 Lowell Street had been condemned as unsafe by the City of Boston Building Commissioner. The building is entirely vacant except for a small dry goods store on the street floor. The Building Department has been attempting to remove the occupant, Meyer Hack, without much success. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to evict the commercial tenant, Meyer Hack, and that the Executive Director be authorized to issue the eviction warrant.

Site Office reports were distributed on uncooperative tenants with rent arrearage. On the recommendation of the Executive Director and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to issue eviction warrants for the eviction of the following residents: Leo Fama, 158 Chambers Street; Leo Fama Contracting Co., 158 Chambers St.; Robert Crowley, 23 Eaton St. ; John Nicolosi, 121 Leverett St. ; Peter Ulaskiewicz, 152 Chambers St. ; Edward Bates, 121 Leverett St. ; Herbert Day, 114 Brighton St.

The Executive Director read a letter from the Admiral of the Navy Yard concerning a potential redevelopment project in the vicinity of the main entrance of the Navy Yard. After a discussion, it was decided that a project would not be feasible in this area and that the Admiral be notified to that effect.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter from Dr. Carl S. Ell of Northeastern University to the Chairman concerning a redevelopment project in the vicinity of Northeastern. After a discussion of the project, the Executive Director was instructed to prepare a letter for transmittal when the Chairman returns.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter dated April 20, 1959 from Walter S. Fried, Regional Administrator, concerning the cancellation of the reservation for the Mattapan Project. After a discussion, the Executive Director was instructed to contact the Regional Office and inform the URA that this Authority does not interpose any objection.

The Executive Director recommended the cancellation of the IBM service used in connection with preparing the monthly relocation reports. It was explained that the Authority is liable for the balance of the original cost of programming in preparation for the service, amounting to \$473.76. After the use of this service for three months, Site Office personnel developed a substitute method which serves the purpose equally well. The discontinuance of the service will save the Authority approximately \$100 a month for the remaining nine months of the contract period.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to cancel the service and to approve payment of \$473.76 to cover the initial programming service under the agreement.

The Executive Director submitted a petition from the John J. Duane Company requesting permission to burn rubble on the demolition site. The approval of the Fire Department has already been obtained, under conditions and regulations imposed by that Department. The Executive Director was instructed to obtain a complete report from the Chief of Development for consideration by the Authority at the next meeting.

The Executive Director distributed copies of the following orders from Councillor Piemonte: (1) requesting that the Authority contact every owner having an unsettled land damage case in the West End prior to the April 23d deadline for filing appeal; and (2) requesting the Authority to contact the Federal authorities to expedite the settlement of the remaining land damage cases.

The Executive Director stated to the Authority that both of these matters have been attended to. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the Executive Director to notify Councillor Piemonte to that effect.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.


Secretary