

MINUTES OF 171st MEETING THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION CHANDIGARH HELD ON 28.09.2011 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, CHANDIGARH.

The following were present:

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| 1. | Sh. Ravinder Pal Singh | Mayor |
| 2. | Smt. Purna Puri, IAS | Commissioner |
| 3. | Sh. Kuldeep Singh | Sr. Dy. Mayor |
| 4. | Smt. Sheela Devi | Dy. Mayor |
| 5. | Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma | Councillor |
| 6. | Smt. Anu Chatrath | Councillor |
| 7. | Brig. K.S.Chandpuri (Retd.) | Councillor |
| 8. | Sh. Arshad Khan | Councillor |
| 9. | Sh. M. P. S. Chawla | Councillor |
| 10. | Dr. A.P. Sanwaria | Councillor |
| 11. | Dr. Neelam Malik | Councillor |
| 12. | Dr. Amrit Bolaria | Councillor |
| 13. | Ar. P.K. Mukherjee | Councillor |
| 14. | Sh. Resham Chand Jakhu | Councillor |
| 15. | Smt. Harjinder Kaur | Councillor |
| 16. | Sh. Manjit Singh | Councillor |
| 17. | Sh. Pardeep Chhabra | Councillor |
| 18. | Smt. Kamlesh | Councillor |
| 19. | Sh. Surinder Kumar Jagota | Councillor |
| 20. | Sh. Harphool Chand | Councillor |
| 21. | Sh. Jagjit Singh Kang | Councillor |
| 22. | Sh. Bhupinder Singh | Councillor |
| 23. | Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta | Councillor |
| 24. | Smt. Anju Beniwala | Councillor |

25.	Smt. Rita Sharma	Councillor
26.	Sh. Devinder Singh Babla	Councillor
27.	Smt. Sarita Devi	Councillor
28.	Sh. Vijay Singh Rana	Councillor
29.	Sh. Ram Sumar Morya	Councillor
30.	Sh. Ram Lal	Councillor
31.	Sh. Jatinder Bhatia	Councillor
32.	Sh. Anil Kumar Dubey	Councillor
33.	Smt. Raj Kumari	Councillor
34.	Sh. Gurcharan Dass Kala	Councillor
35.	Smt. Sunita	Councillor
36.	Sh. Lalit Siwach, HCS	Secretary

The following Officers also attended the meeting: -

1.	Sh. Sunil Bhatia, PCS	Additional Commissioner-I
2.	Sh. S.S. Bida	Chief Engineer
3.	Sh. R.C. Diwan	Superintending Engineer (P.H.)
4.	Sh. Mukesh Anand	Superintending Engineer (B&R)
5.	Dr. B.K. Salwan	Municipal Health Officer
6.	Sh. Amar Chand	Chief Accounts Officer
7.	Sh. Vishal Gupta	XEN Roads Divn. No.1
8.	Sh. Jai Pal Singh	XEN Roads Divn. No.2
9.	Sh. Sanjay Arora	XEN Roads Divn. No.3
10.	Sh. R.S. Ahluwalia	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.2)
11.	Sh. Anil Bansal	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.3)
12.	Sh. Gurpreet Singh	XEN (P.H. Divn.No.4)
13.	Sh. Arun Kansal	XEN. Horticulture

At the outset, the Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Councillors, Officers and the Media persons present in the meeting.

Dr. A.P. Sanwaria congratulated all the members on 104th birthday of Shaheed-e-Ajam Bhagat Singh. He further pointed out that recently in the meeting of F&CC, it was said that 15 days' clear notice was to be given for auction of Exhibition Ground, Sector-34, but the notice published in the newspaper shows the date of auction as 04.10.2011.

The Secretary apprised that the two weeks' time for auction was not feasible as the successful bidder needs at least 5 days for putting up the stalls, therefore, the public notice was issued accordingly.

Dr. A.P. Sanwaria objected that this issue was not explained in the meeting of F&CC while the matter was being discussed and asked how this point came up later on.

The Mayor directed to change the date of auction and assured the members that the auction for Exhibition Ground, Sector-34 will be held on 10.10.2011. He welcomed Ms. Nidhi Sriwastva, IAS, who has been posted with Municipal Corporation for one month on training to see the working of the Corporation.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur also congratulated the members on 104th birthday of Shaheed-e-Ajam Bhagat Singh. She apprised the House that a renowned theatre personality of Chandigarh Sh. Gursharan Singh, who promoted nukkar theatre in rural area of Punjab and also utilized the money earned by him for promotion of theatre and created a wave of social reform, has passed away, which is a big loss to the theatre fraternity and has created a vacuum. She desired that the House should observe two minutes' silence to condole his death.

The House observed two minutes' silence.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that last month Professor Kuldip Singh Batra, freedom fighter passed away. There was resentment among people that freedom fighters are not being given the respect they deserve. A table agenda has been moved in which it has been proposed to name the park adjoining

his residence at Sector 35 in the name of Freedom Fighters. It would be a gesture of respect for freedom fighters on behalf of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra stated that a monument in the name of freedom fighters has already been created at Leisure Valley, Sector-10, which need to be maintained as this Valley has now been transferred to the Corporation. He further said that some days ago some trees were uprooted and roads were blocked due to heavy rain and storm, which caused loss of property and inconvenience to the public. But the officials of Horticulture and Public Health Wing worked hard to remove the blockades in spite of heavy rain. He told that he himself, Mayor and all officials were on roads, so everybody involved in this job should be appreciated by the Corporation for their hard work. He had also suggested that a comprehensive drive by the officials of Horticulture, Public Health, Road and MOH Wing is required to be carried out in Sector-21 and 22, but the said drive did not materialize as a result heaps of refuse are lying here and there in these sectors. He desired that the proposed drive should be conducted immediately.

Smt. Anju Beniwala said that it was 15th September, 2011 when Sector-21 & 22 were badly effected with heavy rain and storm. She appreciated the officials of Horticulture, B&R, Public Health and MOH Wing, who made all efforts till late night to remove the blockades caused by uprooted trees. She thanked the Commissioner, Mayor and officers of the Corporation for their dedicated efforts and also thanked the Electricity Department of Chandigarh Administration for restoring the electricity in these sectors within two days. She pointed out that there is a Parrot Garden and a forest garden where number of trees have fallen as a result the public is facing inconvenience. She requested that the Forest Department be requested to remove the fallen trees at the earliest.

Sh. Jagjit Singh Kang said that there are number of trees which need pruning. He further said that as the elections are approaching politics is being played by the Councillors in the name of Garbage Processing Plant.

At this many Councillors started speaking loudly together.

Smt. Anu Chatrath said that last month a big tree fell down as a result some cars were damaged, however no loss of life was there. But there are some green trees, whose trunks have been infected with termite and they need to be cut down otherwise mis-happening can occur.

The Commissioner apprised that a survey was conducted jointly by the officials of the MCC and Forest Department in which 328 trees were found to be dried and dead which have been sent to A.A. for approval for felling.

Mayor stated that at the time of inauguration of Garbage Processing Plant, Sh. Pardeep Chhabra was Mayor but he was not invited in the inauguration. Since then Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma has been taking up this issue in the meetings of the House regularly. Whereas, Smt. Harjinder Kaur was the Mayor when the Garbage Processing Plant was installed.

At this Sh. Gurcharan Dass Kala and other Councillors started speaking loudly.

Sh. Anil Kumar Dubey stated that recently Smt. Kamlesh protested against the Garbage Processing Plant at Dadu Majra in front of it. He enquired the purpose of the protest and against whom it was done.

Some members of the opposition party came to the well and continued speaking loudly.

At this, noise of slogans was heard from outside of the Assembly Hall.

The House was adjourned for tea at 11.40 a.m. and reassembled at 12.10 p.m.

Brig. Kuldeep Singh Chandpuri stated that our drainage system has failed miserably during rainy season. He suggested that the Corporation should hire drainage management company for proper regulation of drainage system who would study it properly and give its suggestion for proper maintenance of drainage system. He further stated that Manila receive maximum rain and this country

has managed it very efficiently by providing heavy iron mesh in between the road for drainage of rainy water. Instead of putting more money to improve this system, the Corporation should hire professional company to regulate it as it is not the cup of tea of the Corporation.

The Mayor said that the drainage system of Chandigarh is better than the adjoining cities. However, the Corporation gets prepared for the rainy season in advance by cleaning the road gullies, but the waste is again accumulated on the road gully which causes accumulation of water on roads during rainy season. Earlier it was decided to depute the S.O.s and Sanitary Supervisors to survey the road gullies and get them cleaned before the rainy season but it has been observed that the safaikaramcharies collect the refuse and dump again near road gullies.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Confirmation of the minutes of 170th meeting of the General House held on 29.8.2011 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the MC, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.1 before the House for confirmation.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia pointed out that he has raised a question regarding the grant in aid released by the Govt. of India for SSKs, but this matter has not been mentioned in the minutes at page 4 of the minutes. He enquired whether the said grant in aid has been received from Govt. of India or not and whether the SSK in Sector-45 will be constructed or not.

The Chief Engineer replied that he was not aware about the grant in aid as it is received in the office of the Chief Accounts Officer. So far as the SSK is concerned, the tender is to be published again.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia stated that reply regarding grant in aid for SSK should be submitted in the next meeting after confirmation from the office. So far as tender for SSKs is concerned, it has already been received in the office on 21.7.2011 which is still pending on the plea that negotiation with

the firm is going on . He further said that the work to the contractor should be allotted within a month after receipt of tenders.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that the process of e-tendering was introduced to reduce the time consumed in allotment of work and to provide transparency in the system, even then the allotment of work is being delayed on different pretexts. He requested that a time frame be fixed for allotment of tenders.

Sh. Ram Lal asked that what is the penalty for officers and the contractor if he does not start work even after lapse of about one year after allotment of work.

Brig. Kuldeep Singh Chandpuri stated that two months ago, the Mayor had assured that posts meant for Ex-servicemen in group C and D will be filled up within two months. He further stated that the Municipal Corporation has not adopted the instructions of Government of India for filling up the posts in group C and D from Ex-servicemen. He further apprised that as per information collected from Chandigarh Administration under the RTI Act, there are 845 vacancies in Group C and 1947 in Group D. According to these figures 389 posts are meant for Ex-serviceman. He had also sought information under RTI as to how many posts have been filled up through Ex-servicemen and the reply from B&R, P.H., Electricity Wing is nil, whereas the Fire &Emergency Wing has recruited 10 Ex-servicemen and the Commissioner office has recruited 3 persons. He was of the view that it is misuse of the posts meant for Ex-servicemen and it is injustice with Ex-servicemen and needs to be investigated. The Ex-servicemen, who retire from service at young age of 33-35 years should be given opportunity of re-employment, whereas the other categories of reserve posts have been totally filled up by the administration. He has been raising this issue in the meeting of the House for the last four years and even the other members also supported this demand but in vain.

The Mayor stated that he has been pursuing the matter of sanctioning of posts with the Chandigarh Administration regularly and during last one month the Commissioner alongwith him visited the office of the Home Secretary many times, but they have raised many objections.

The secretary apprised that approval of Chandigarh Administration is necessary before filling up any post and therefore, the matter is being pursued regularly with the Chandigarh Administration. As soon as the permission is received, further action to fill up the posts meant for ex-serviceman will be filled up.

Secretary said that for the filling up of the posts against existing back log of sanctioned posts the Municipal Corporation is required the permission from Secretary, Local Government and Department of Finance. He further stated that the issue has been referred to Chandigarh Administration for the approval and the reply is still awaited.

Dr. A.P. Sanwaria said that Municipal Corporation is an autonomous body and has its own budget provision and funds but has no power of any type and it is supposed to go the Chandigarh Administration now and then for approval and sanctions then what is the purpose of Municipal Corporation.

“The House considered & confirmed the minutes of 171st meeting of General House held on 29.08.2011 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Question/Answer

Question No.1 by Smt. Harjinder Kaur, Councillor

The Secretary placed agenda item No.2 before the House for discussion.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur stated that there is no need to discuss this question.

Question No.2 by Dr. A.P. Sanwaria, Councillor

Dr. A.P. Sanwaria asked as to under which head the expenditure for inauguration of projects is met out.

The Chief Engineer apprised that there is provision of 3% contingency in every estimate to meet out such type of expenditure.

Dr. A.P. Sanwaria said that expenditure of Rs.18 lakh is not a contingency expenditure but misuse of public fund.

Smt. Anu Chatrath was of the view that Art & Culture Committee will not decide the Chief Guest of the functions celebrated by the Corporation and it should be decided by the Mayor.

Sh. Anil Dubey was of the view that the area Councillor should be independent to decide about the Chief Guest for inauguration of projects in his ward.

The Mayor said that in future no fund be utilized for inauguration of any project, however, if a Councillor wish he can spent money from his own pocket for such functions.

Question No.3 by Sh. Pardeep Chhabra, Councillor

The Mayor said that this question will be discussed in the next meeting of the House.

Question No.4 by Sh. Jatinder Bhatia, Councillor

The Mayor said that this question will be discussed in the next meeting of the House.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Revised RCE for providing rigid pavement along the road leading from Purv Marg to Railway Station road in industrial Area, Phase-1, Chandigarh. (Below Railway Bridge)

The Secretary placed agenda item No.3 for approval of the House.

Smt. Kamlesh said that all the aspects should be kept in view while preparing the estimate so that it should not need to be revised in future. She desired that the practice of revising estimates should be avoided.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.93.72 lac for providing rigid pavement along the road leading from Purv Marg to Railway Station road in industrial Area, Phase-1, Chandigarh. (Below Railway Bridge), be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 road between, Sector 27 & 19, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.4 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.78.68 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 road between, Sector 27 & 19, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 road between, Sector 27 & 28, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.5 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.78.59 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick Asphaltic Concrete on V-3 road between, Sector 27 & 28, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Re-carpeting of Road passing through main market in Modern Housing Complex, Manimajra.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.6 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.42.84 lac for Re-carpeting of Road passing through main market in Modern Housing Complex, Manimajra, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

Estimate for B/I one no. 12”x8” (304.80x203.20 mm) i/d deep bore tubewell (with reverse rig method and any method of latest technology) and Construction of R.C.C. U.G.R. of 1,00,000 Gallons Capacity along with boosting arrangement in Sector 39-B, (Near HRY, Govt. Houses), Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.7 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.65.48 lac for B/I one no. 12”x8” (304.80x203.20 mm) i/d deep bore tubewell (with reverse rig method and any method of latest technology) and Construction of R.C.C. U.G.R. of 1,00,000 Gallons Capacity along with boosting arrangement in Sector 39-B, (Near HRY, Govt. Houses) Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Rough Cost Estimate for providing and laying 50 mm thick bituminous macadam and 40 mm thick bituminous concrete on V-3 road dividing Sector 52/61, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.8 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.91.62 lac for providing and laying 50 mm thick bituminous macadam and 40 mm thick bituminous concrete on V-3 road dividing Sector 52/61, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

RCE for Widening and recarpeting of Udyog Path from Jn.25 to Jn.26 between Sector 16 & 23, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.9 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.91.58 lac for Widening and recarpeting of Udyog Path from Jn.25 to Jn.26 between Sector 16 & 23, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

Rough Cost Estimate for providing and laying 40 mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 43, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.10 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.40.56 lac for providing and laying 40 mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 43, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

Rough cost estimate constructing toe wall around the various park and dismantling and refixing of M.S. flat railing on toe wall in Sector 40-A,B,C & D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.11 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.63.27 lac for constructing toe wall around the various park and dismantling and refixing of M.S. flat railing on toe wall in Sector 40-A,B,C & D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

Estimate for the work of “Providing and fixing of Ms wire mesh Jali with Ms angle iron around raw water storage tanks No.3,4,5,6 & 7 at water works Sector 39, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.12 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.44.61 lac for the work of “Providing and fixing of Ms wire mesh Jali with Ms angle iron around raw water storage tanks No.3,4,5,6 & 7 at water works Sector 39, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

Subject: Providing 36” SWD line for low laying area at modern housing complex (Duplex) from booth market to Kalka road near Kalagram at Manimajra U.T., Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.13 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.51.45 lac for providing 36” SWD line for low laying area at modern housing complex (Duplex) from booth market to Kalka road near Kalagram at Manimajra U.T., Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

Subject: To consider and approve Horticulture Bye Laws 2011.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.14 for approval of the House.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra pointed out that there is a provision of recovery of fine through water charges bills. He objected that in case a person comes from outside for marriage purpose then how will fine be charged. He pointed out that in case the tenant use the ground the fine will be included in the water bill which is issued in the name of owner of the House. He suggested that the owner of Tent House should check the permission of the Corporation before pitching the tent on the ground.

The House agreed on this suggestion.

“The House considered & approved Chandigarh Municipal Corporation (Horticulture) Bye-Laws 2011 with the amendment that the following Clause be inserted:-

The owner of the Tent House should check the permission of Municipal Corporation before pitching their tent on the ground.”

The Mayor had to leave the House and Sh. Kuldip Singh, Sr. Deputy Mayor took over the chair and presided over the meeting till lunch.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

Subject: Boring and installing of one no. new 12” x 8” (304.80 x 203.20 mm) i/d deep bore tubewells along with pumping machinery and other allied works (with percussion-cum-rotary drilling rig/any other method of latest technology) and construction of 1 lacs gallon capacity UGR along with boosting arrangements and other allied works at Dera Sahib area in Manimajra, U.T., Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.15 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.60.26 lac for boring and installing of one no. new 12” x 8” (304.80 x 203.20 mm) i/d deep bore tubewells along with pumping machinery and other allied works (with percussion-cum-rotary drilling rig/any other method of latest technology) and construction of 1 lacs gallon capacity UGR along with boosting arrangements and other allied works at Dera Sahib area in Manimajra, U.T., Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

Rough Cost Estimate for Providing and laying 40mm thick Bituminous Concrete on V-4 road in Sector 21, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.16 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.38.74 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick Bituminous Concrete on V-4 road in Sector 21, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17

Rough Cost Estimate for Providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks on berms of V-6 roads, Sector 43-B, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.17 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.40.12 lac for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks on berms of V-6 roads, Sector 43-B, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

RCE for Providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 8 A,B & C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.18 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.138.78 lac for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 8 A,B & C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19

RCE for Providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 19, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.19 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.43.01 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 19, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20

Recarpeting of parking infront of Booth No.47 to 954 and SCF 1011 to 1028 and Roads infront of SCF 1 to 267 in Motor Market, Manimajra.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.20 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.113.27 lac for recarpeting of parking infront of Booth No.47 to 954 and SCF 1011 to 1028 and Roads infront of SCF 1 to 267 in Motor Market, Manimajra, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21

Estimate for B/I one no.12”x8” (304.80x203.20mm) i/d deep bore tubewell (with reverse rig method and any method of latest technology.) and Construction of R.C.C. U.G.R. of 1,00,000 Gallons Capacity along with boosting arrangement in Sector -29 C , Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.21 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.67.00 lac for B/I one no.12”x8” (304.80x203.20mm) i/d deep bore tubewell (with reverse rig method and any method of latest technology.) and Construction of R.C.C. U.G.R. of 1,00,000 Gallons Capacity along with boosting arrangement in Sector -29 C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22

RCE for Providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 34 C, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.22 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.56.47 lac for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 34 C, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23

Providing and Fixing of Multiplay Equipments and Multiplay System in Parks/Green Belt Sector 49 & 51, Chandigarh under Landscaping.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.23 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.37.23 lac for providing and fixing of Multiplay Equipments and Multiplay System in Parks/Green Belt Sector 49 & 51, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24

Revised RCE for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Sector – 15-A, B C & D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.24 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.139.78 lac for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 roads in Sector – 15-A, B C & D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 25

RCE for providing and fixing 80mm thick interlocking paver blocks on internal roads of Charan Singh Colony, Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.25 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.58.37 lac for providing and fixing 80mm thick interlocking paver blocks on internal roads of Charan Singh Colony, Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26

RCE for Providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 10 A&D, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.26 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.66.60 lac for providing and laying tack coat and 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 10 A&D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 27

RCE for strengthening of V-3 road between Sector 49 & 50, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed agenda item No.27 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.128.98 lac for strengthening of V-3 road between Sector 49 & 50, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

The House was adjourned for lunch at 1.20 p.m. and reassembled at 2.20 p.m.

Smt. Anu Chatrath pointed out that Khad Banao Kendra was constructed in Sector 15-D in the year 2007, which is non-functional for a long time. People throw garbage at the said site and it has become a place of nuisance and centre for drug addicts. A letter was sent to the Chief Engineer on 16.4.2010 and second letter was written on 07.09.2011 by the MOH for demolition of the said structure but no action has so far been taken by the Engineering Wing.

The Chief Engineer replied that permission for de-earmarking of the said Khad Banao Kendra is required from Chandigarh Administration.

The Mayor directed to demolish the said structure immediately.

Sh. P.K. Mukherjee enquired the status of availability of accounts of Municipal Corporation on the website. He further said that the Corporation is paying Rs.32 lac to a private Chartered Accountant for Double Entry System and asked when the Corporation will start this procedure at its own. He desired that all the details about the expenditure incurred by the Corporation during last 5 years should be put on the Net for the information of the general public.

The Additional Commissioner-I replied that the Corporation has already imparted training on Double Entry System to its officials and w.e.f. 1st November, 2011 it will be starting Double Entry System.

Sh. Ram Sumer Morya said that there is acute problem of electricity in his ward. He further said that plantation is carried out after spending lot of money, but the stray cattle destroy all the plants and desired that action should be taken to check the stray cattle. He was of the view that spending lac of rupees on the inauguration of project should be stopped and similarly the lunch provided during the meetings of the House should also be stopped immediately as lacs of rupees are being spent on this practice.

Many members of opposition as well as ruling party supported the views of Sh. Ram Sumer Morya.

Brig. Kuldip Singh Chandpuri was of the view that the members of this House have already enjoyed the lunch for the last 4 years and 9 months, therefore, House should not take such decision and it should be left over to the coming House.

The Mayor announced that in future lunch shall not be provided during the meeting of the House and no expenditure will be incurred on the inaugurations except plaque and cards and this should be implemented till 31.12.2011 till I am Mayor. After that the new Mayor should decide about the lunch and inauguration.

Sh. Ram Lal said that there are number of stray cattle in Southern Sectors which destroy the green belts, which are developed after spending lacs of rupees.

The Mayor stated that the new bye-laws are going to be finalized and notified and after 31.10.2011, these will come into force. Under new Bye-laws there is no provision of releasing the impounded cattle.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Providing additional 500 KVA D.G. Set for uninterrupted electrical supply to M.C. Building in Sector 17, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.1 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.42.19 lac for providing additional 500 KVA D.G. Set for uninterrupted electrical supply to M.C. Building in Sector 17, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Augmentation of Water Supply Scheme, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.2 for approval of the House.

Sh. P.K. Mukherjee pointed out that this is a project of Rs.200/- crore for 150 MW of power.

Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma enquired whether Chandigarh will receive 40 MGD water after the Punjab State draw 40 MGD water on way as mentioned in the agenda. He enquired whether technically feasibility report has been prepared. He also objected that why this plan was prepared if there was no land for laying the pipes. The office has spent money on preparing DPR, visit and taken decision at its own level. No grant-in-aid from JNNURM will be release in case of two States project.

The Chief Engineer assured that 40 MGD water will be received in Chandigarh. He furthr replied that technically feasibility report will be prepared after the project is approved in principle. He further said that we have requested the Punjab Government for supply of water from phase V & VI. In case they lay down their pipes, there will be no space available for laying pipes for Chandigarh. After laying 1600 mm dia pipe line for carrying 80 MGD of water from Kajauli Head Works, Corporation will save about hundred crore rupees as it will save the cost of land required for this purpose through acquisition.

The Mayor explained that in a meeting he had requested the officers of the Punjab Government to give the share of Chandigarh from Kajauli Water Head Works, Phase V & VI. Chief Secretary suggested that political bosses have refused to give water to Chandigarh but on his request one of the officer of Punjab suggested an alternative of laying bigger dia pipeline. The Punjab Government has asked for formal consent of the Corporation for this proposal. Therefore, this matter has been brought before the House. He assured that all the detailed documents will be placed before the House for approval before executing this project. We are just writing a formal letter that we are ready to accept the proposal to lay bigger dia pipeline instead of 1600 mm dia pipe for carrying 80 mgd of water from Kajauli Head Works. He also explained that Haryana has also disagreed for phase VII and VIII and stated that water in phase V & VI should be given to them.

The S.E. (P.H.) explained that the Punjab Govt. has already planned to lay pipeline for carrying 40 mgd water with a project of Rs.108 crore and if they lay down it, the strip of land will be

filled up and no further land will be available to Municipal Corporation for laying pipelines. We approached the GMADA Authority and one of the officer suggested the plan of laying bigger dia pipeline. We requested them to hold their project as they already have allotted the work. In this project Corporation will save Rs.70-80 crore as cost of land acquisition.

The Mayor reiterated that technical feasibility and DPR will be placed before the House for approval later on, whereas at present we are just writing a letter accepting their proposal and recommended that this proposal be passed as it is for the benefit of the City. He stressed that all the apprehensions of Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma be clarified in the House with detailed information.

“The House considered & resolved that the proposal of GMADA for laying bigger dia pipe line for carrying 80 mgd water (40 MGD for U.T. Chandigarh and 40 MGD for GMADA) for augmentation of Water Supply Scheme should be taken in next House meeting.”

“The House further resolved that the DPR and technical feasibility report and all other related information be placed before the House for approval.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Renaming of Terraced Garden, Sector 33, Chandigarh as Martyrs’ Terraced Garden.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.3 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the Terraced Garden, Sector 33, Chandigarh be renamed as “Martyrs’ Terraced Garden” be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

Extension of outsourcing of manpower through service providers for sanitation work up to 31.10.2011.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.4 for approval of the House.

The Additional Commissioner apprised that the technical bids have already been opened and financial bids will be opened on 29.09.2011. The finalization of tender will take some time, therefore, the contract be extended for one month i.e. upto 31.10.2011.

Sh. Manjit Singh strongly supported the proposal and said that it is a matter of cleanliness of the City, therefore, the agenda be passed.

Smt. Kamlesh opposed the proposal and said that it is a routine practice that such agenda is placed before the House for extension of contract. She objected why the tenders are not finalized in time.

“The House considered & resolved that the proposal to extend the contract for outsourcing of manpower through service providers for sanitation work up to 31.10.2011, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Estimate for Up-gradation/renovation of Musical Fountain at Rose Garden & providing/fixing of various components of fountains to making them compatible with existing Fountains at Green Belt Sector 23 & Rose Garden Sector 16, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.5 for approval of the House.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs. 61.65 lac for Up-gradation/renovation of Musical Fountain at Rose Garden & providing/fixing of various components of fountains to making them compatible with existing Fountains at Green Belt Sector 23 & Rose Garden Sector 16, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Cultural evening programme to welcome 1000 nos. delegates along with Municipal Councillors/Officers coming from different Countries on 27.09.2011.

The Secretary announced that this agenda be considered withdrawn as it has already been discussed in the meeting of F&CC.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 7**Regarding Registration, Transfer and Mutation etc. of flats in M/s Uppal Marble Arch at Manimajra.**

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.7 for approval of the House.

Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma asked why inquiry has not been conducted against the officers for not including the condition of 15% EWS houses in allotment letter.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that the House never said that action should be taken against the residents then why this agenda has been brought.

Sh. Arshad Khan mentioned that in the reply of question raised by Sh. Chander Mukhi Sharma, the office has replied that the condition of EWS houses was not mentioned at the time of auction neither it was mentioned in the allotment letter. He enquired why the NOC is not being issued to the allottees if this condition was not mentioned in the allotment letter and even the occupation certificate has been issued. He was of the view that the residents should not suffer for the wrongs done by the Corporation. He shown a letter by the then Estate Officer which states that in case of violation of building conditional NOC should be issued so that residents should not suffer.

The Commissioner explained that resumption proceedings & issuance of NOC can't be done at the same time.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra pointed out that since the 15% quota was provided for construction of EWS houses, this should have been strictly adhered to.

Sh. Arshad Khan wanted that appropriate action should be taken against the officer/official for this lapse.

Sh. Pardeep Chharba desired that a CBI enquiry needs to be conducted and he further pointed out that House passes a resolution but at the time of implementation a different resolution is implemented and we are not going to spare every time.

The House unanimously seconded the proposal of Sh. Pardeep Chharba and desired that CBI enquiry should be initiated immediately.

Sh. Arshad Khan pointed out that when the occupation certificate has been issued by the Estate Office, saying that houses are there and everything is OK, there should have been some inspection to make sure that houses have actually been constructed or not. Moreover, when the Estate Officer has issued occupation certificate, therefore the Estate Officer is responsible for that and why the residents should suffer who have no fault at their level. He further stated that the builders submitted revised plan for approval and to the Estate Office, the same was approved by Estate Office. He was also of the view that we cannot take action against the builders, Estate Office as well as any other officer/official but it is the only residents who are suffering. He referred a decision of Hon'ble High Court wherein the Hon'ble Court has observed that the acquisition of land is bad in the eyes of law and stated that the farmers should be compensated properly. In such a situation the authorities has no discretion to revoke the NOC already issued but the option only is to consider the issue of NOC to the remaining residents.

The Commissioner stated that the office will re-examine the issue and take up the matter with the Estate Office and then consider the matter of NOC.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra suggested that proper CBI enquiry be got conducted in the matter.

“The House considered & resolved that No Objection Certificates be issued to the owners of flats at M/s Uppal Marble Arch, Manimajra. The House further resolved that a CBI enquiry be got conducted against the officers for allotting the land to M/s Uppal Marble Arch, Manimajra without inserting the condition of 15% EWS houses and issuance of the occupation certificate without compliance of this condition.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Rough cost estimate for construction of Swimming pool in Sector 39, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.8 for approval of the House.

Smt. Anu Chatrath stated that the land has not been transferred by Chandigarh Administration to the Municipal Corporation and we are going to construct Swimming Pool, whether the Municipal Corporation has surplus money to spend on the land owned by others. She further stated that all projects in which land has not been transferred to Municipal Corporation should be stopped.

Mayor said that we are not against the construction of Swimming Pool but before starting the constructions the formality of transfer of land should be got completed.

“The House considered & resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs. 138.00 lac for construction of Swimming pool in Sector 39, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved in principle.

The House further resolved that the construction of the Swimming Pool shall start only after the land is transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Garbage Processing Plant- Status thereof.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.9 for approval of the House.

The Mayor said that this matter will be discussed after the report of Committee constituted by the Advisor in this matter is received.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

Management plan of lifting of Municipal Solid Waste regarding.

The Secretary placed supplementary agenda item No.10 for approval of the House.

The agenda was deferred.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Decision regarding M/s A.K. Sood Engineers & Contractors, Panchkula to participate in tenders of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.1 for approval of the House.

Sh. Gurcharan Dass Kala and some other members supported the proposal and said that the work of Road Wing are pending as the contractors are not coming forward, therefore, M/s A.K. Sood Engineers be allowed to participate in the tenders as no FIR has been lodged against him.

Sh. Jagjit Singh Kang opposed the proposal.

Sh. Anil Kumar Dubey and Sh.Chander Mukhi Sharma were of the view that the House had debarred M/s A.K. Sood Engineer for five years but the officers issued orders debarring only for one year and they asked the reason for it.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra stated that two chowkidars were also terminated for this Cement Scam and desired that they should also be re-instated in service as they were not at fault.

Some councillors also supported the views of Sh. Pardeep Chhabra.

The Mayor said that process of taking the chowkidars back in service be initiated.

“The House considered & resolved that M/s A.K. Sood Engineers be allowed to participate in the tenders of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The House further resolved that process of taking the chowkidars in service back be initiated.”

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia said that the Road Committee had decided to lay concrete floor in the Green Belt and Parks instead of paver block, but it has been observed that contractors are not coming forward to take the work of laying concrete floor. He requested that paver blocks be provided in the Green Belt and Parks.

The Mayor agreed on the proposal.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Pending works of different wards lying unattended with Chief Architect UT, Chandigarh.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.2 for approval of the House.

Sh. Manjit Singh said that Smt. Manjit Kaur, Senior Town Planner has completed her tenure of 3 years and should be repatriated to her parent state as she is creating hurdles in development of villages. He said that the project of Community Centre, beautification of parks and de-reservation of reserve land are being delayed by her for unreasonable objections. He condemned the negative approach of the Architect Department.

Sh. Jatinder Bhatia said that Senior Town Planner Smt. Manjit Kaur is considering all the proposals negatively with the result that all the projects are being delayed. He further said that as she has completed her tenure of three years, she should either be directed to expedite the pending projects or be repatriated to her parent department. There was planning of multi storey parking and play ground in Sector 47 and SSK in Sector 48 which are being delayed on various grounds by the Chief Architect.

Sh. Ram Lal said that Village Hallo Majra is on the entry point of the city and there is only one approach road which is from the National Highway and there is very heavy traffic on this road. The villagers gave in writing to Finance Secretary that additional road be given to us. The Chief Engineer and Commissioner after visiting the site also sent their reports in this regard. He further raised the issue regarding construction of Community Centre in Hallo Majra. The site was visited by the Chief Engineer and the then Commissioner Dr. Roshan Sunkaria but till now no progress has been made.

Mayor said that a letter is being written to the Administration about Senior Town Planner as projects are lingering on due to her negative attitude.

Sh. Mukesh Anand, Superintending Engineer (B&R) stated that he alongwith CEMC visited the office of Chief Architect for clearance of file pertaining to development of Hallo Majra but Senior Town Planner raised so many objections on the planning of the projects. She wrote a letter that approval of Finance Department has not so far being received for change of land use.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra said that completion of many important projects is hampering due to the Chief Architect as a result the cost of projects is increasing day by day. He further said that the J.E. Horticulture of his Ward has been entrusted additional charge of the Gardens and as a result he is unable to take care of the small parks. He requested that the J.E. (Hort.) Sh. Jangsher Singh be relieved from the additional charge.

Smt. Anu Chhatrath also supported the views of Sh. Pardeep Chhabra.

The Mayor had to leave the House and Sh. Kuldip Singh, Sr. Deputy Mayor presided over the meeting till end.

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

To dedicate the park adjoining the residence of freedom fighter Late Lt. Kuldip Singh Batra as Freedom Fighter's park.

The Secretary placed table agenda item No.3 for approval of the House.

Sh. Pardeep Chhabra was of the view that this matter be sent to the Chief Architect for approval. He further said that many freedom fighters live in Chandigarh and every park near their residences cannot be named as Freedom Fighter Park.

The Chief Engineer apprised that approval of the Chandigarh Administration is required for change in the name of any garden/park.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that it is a new park and it should be named as Freedom Fighter's Park.

“The House considered and resolved that this matter be sent to the Chief Architect for approval.”

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Secretary,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.**

**Mayor,
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