

January 14, 1971

A special Directors' meeting of the Harvard Square Business Men's Association was held on January 14, 1971, 9:30 at the Harvard Trust Company. Present were Messrs. West, Possiel, Nicholas, Wolf, Hansen, Olken, Ver Plank, Terry and Slate. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed Mall of Mrs. Wheeler's Ad Hoc Committee.

It was mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce had endorsed the plan. A motion was made and seconded that the Directors of the Harvard Square Business Men's Association endorse this plan and authorize the Secretary to write to Mrs. Wheeler and so indicate. The discussion which followed prior to the vote was that parking was an acute problem and although most members were in favor of the Mall, work had to begin on the parking problem. Furthermore, it was mentioned that there would have to be more policemen in the area if the Mall was finally built.

It was mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce had a Transportation Committee. It was also mentioned that representatives from the Harvard Square Business Men's Association should attempt to be placed on this Committee so that Harvard Square Business Men's Association would be represented when transportation and parking problems of Cambridge were discussed.

It was mentioned that two new parking lots in Harvard Square have presently opened. One on the old Baird site and the other right in front, both have access from Mr. Auburn St.


Secretary

February 4, 1971

As a follow up to the Directors meeting of January 14, the President and Secretary of the Association met with Mr. Greer, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce's Transportation Committee. It was mentioned that the Association requested representation on the Transportation Committee and asked whether this would be possible. We also talked to Mr. Fryer, Executive Vice President of the Chamber and it was indicated that two members from the Association could be added. Mr. West and Mr. Ehrlich will be invited to attend the meetings by Mr. Fryer.


Secretary

April 1, 1971

A Directors' Meeting was held this morning at the Harvard Trust Company. In attendance were Messrs. West, Possiel, Williams, Olken, Doyle, Wolf, and Slate.

Richard Dow was a guest at the beginning of the meeting and he brought with him George Bueler, an Associate of Peter Kanavos. Mr. Dow indicated that he was concerned as was the Ad-Hoc Committee that Mr. Kanavos was about to build an 18 story Holiday Inn Motel within the zoning requirements of the City. They felt that the foundations would be going in within three to four weeks. Mr. Bueler indicated that they had been unsuccessful in getting the City to take the land by Eminent Domain for parking and perhaps leasing the air rights to them. Mr. Bueler went on to say that the cost of carrying the property was high and they simply had to develop it to get a return on their investment. Mr. Bueler requested the Harvard Square Business Men's Association to write a letter to the City as the Ad-Hoc Committee had done and to go on record in an attempt to persuade the City to take the property by Eminent Domain. Mr. Charles Wolf, who is on the Transportation Committee of the Cambridge Chamber of Commerce and also a Director of this Association, agreed to write such a letter.

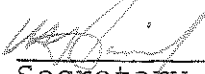
Mr. West then opened the business meeting and the following new members were voted in:

Simon & Sons
Wasserman Development Corporation
"Planning for People-Ad Hoc Committee"

The next order of business was obtaining nominations for Officers and Directors for the coming year. After considerable discussion and some controversy nominations for Directors were:

William Ehrlich	Don S. Greer
Arthur West	Warren Reardon
Stuart Maybie	Treasurer
Edward Ver Plank	Vice President
Robert Doyle	President

We then discussed plans for the annual outing. A Chairman will be selected shortly and a site will be agreed upon. The meeting adjourned at 10:55.


Secretary

Harvard Square Business Men's Association

Directors' Meeting, August 19, 1971

Directors present Bob Doyle, President, Warren Reardon, Ben Olken, Stuart Mabie, Charlie Wolf, Jack Williams, R. B. Snow. Guests Mrs. Leonard Wheeler, Reverend H. F. Vetter, First Parish Unitarian Church and Richard Dow.

Purpose of meeting to consider appointing a committee to work with the "Planning for People Harvard Square Committee" in connection with the plan approved by the Traffic Committee of the City to block vehicular traffic from Palmer Street to Church Street on the north side of Brattle Street and to the Mobil Gas Station leaving a service area for police and fire departments' traffic. This plan to go into effect on September 15, 1971 for a period of six months and can be cancelled upon 72 hours notice by the Traffic Manager. The plan received the approval of the City Manager, Chiefs of Police and Fire Departments and other city officials.

Voted. A motion made by Ben Olken that the Secretary send notices to all members advising of these plans for Harvard Square with maps of the area and enclose a request for donations to help the plan.

It was also voted that the President of Harvard Square Business Men's Association appoint a committee for "Planning for People Harvard Square" and that Mrs. Wheeler be chairman and select her committee members.



Robert B. Snow
Acting Secretary

October 20, 1971

The first Directors' meeting of the 1971-1972 season was held this morning at the Harvard Trust Company. In attendance were Messrs. Doyle, Possiel, Williams, Wolf, Reardon, Snow, Olken, West, Slate and Ver Planck. Absent were Messrs. Erhlich, Terry and Mabie.

President Doyle presided and discussed the up coming year and requested suggestions for the dates, locations and speakers for the dinner meetings. It was agreed that the first meeting would be in November with the following meetings to be in January, February, March and April; April being the annual meeting. The suggested locations were: Wursthau, Commander Hotel, Holiday Inn, Igo's and Chez Dreyfus. Possible speakers might be Harvard University President, Derek Bok, or his representative in charge of Community Affairs, John Corcoran, City Manager, Allen Lefkowitz, Chairman of the Mayor's special committee on Harvard Square and possibly Steve Nelson a young candidate for City Council in Cambridge.

The next order of business was Christmas decorations. Edward Ver Planck was again appointed Chairman of this committee. It was mentioned that William Ferguson has a three year contract with the Association for \$2,500 a year which covers putting the lights up and taking them down.

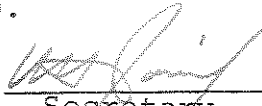
Robert Snow mentioned that the Ad-Hoc Committee in Harvard Square had suggested that they participate with the Harvard Square Business Men's Association in decorating Brattle Square. They will be in touch with Mr. Ver Planck. It was mentioned that Mr. Cy Harvey might be their representative. The lights are scheduled to be put up the day after Thanksgiving.

The next order of business was the voting in of Charlesbank Trust Company as a member of the Association.

The next order of business was a discussion of the new "Brattle Walk" and the consensus of opinion was that it was controversial. It really was too early to conclude whether it would be made a permanent mall or whether it would be eliminated when the six month experiment expired on March 15, 1972. Mr. Charles Wolf mentioned that he was on the Transportation Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and that he felt a special committee should be organized to become liason between the Harvard Square Business Men's Association and the Chamber of Commerce. President Doyle appointed Mr. Charles Wolf and Mr. William Erhlich as members of this committee.

Mr. Warren Reardon made the suggestion that the future minutes of the directors' meeting be distributed to Officers and Directors by the Secretary. This is to be done.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.


Secretary