FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

In the Matter of a Complaint by)	
The Register, Complainant)	Report of Hearing Officer
against)	Docket #FIC76-143
City and Town of Torrington; Mayor of the City and Town of Torrington, Torrington Parks and Recreation Commission,)	September 29, 1976
Respondents)	

The above captioned matter was heard as a contested case on September 27, 1976, at which time the complainant and the respondents appeared and presented testimony and argument on the complaint.

After consideration of the entire record, the following facts are found:

- 1. The respondents are public agencies as defined in $^{\rm S}_{\rm S}1$ (a) of P.A. 75-342.
- 2. On August 2, 1976, respondent parks commission and respondent mayor met. The purpose of the gathering was a general discussion of the status of the office of parks and recreation director. In the course of the discussion there was some informal consensus reached and there was additional discussion on the sale of certain parcels of publicly owned property.
- 3. By letter of complaint filed with this Commission on August 17, 1976, the complainant alleged that this meeting was held in violation of P.A. 75-342.
- 4. The respondents did not abide by the provisions of P.A. 75-342 regarding notice, minutes and recordation of votes although a quorum of the respondent commission was present at the meeting in question.
- 5. It is found that the proceedings on August 2, 1976 constituted a meeting of a public agency to which the provisions of P.A. 75-342 apply.

The following order by the Commission is hereby recommended on the basis of the record concerning the above captioned complaint:

1. The respondents shall forthwith make available for public inspection minutes of the meeting held on August 2, 1976.

2. Henceforth the respondents shall strictly comply with the provisions of P.A. 75-342.

Judith H Lahey Commissioner Judith Lahey

as Hearing Officer

Approved by order of the Freedom of Information Commission on October 13, 1976.

Louis J. Tapogna

Clerk of the Commission