

MINUTES OF 228th MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND CONTRACT COMMITTEE HELD ON 26.3.2013 AT 03.00 P.M. IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, CHANDIGARH.

PRESENT :-

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| 1. | Sh. Subhash Chawla | Mayor |
| 2. | Sh. V.P. Singh, IAS | Commissioner |
| 3. | Sh. Sat Paul Bansal | Councillor |
| 4. | Sh. Mukesh Bassi | Councillor |
| 5. | Sh. Darshan Kumar | Councillor |
| 6. | Sh. Arun Sood | Councillor |
| 7. | Sh. Davesh Moudgil | Councillor |
| 8. | Sh. Rajiv Kumar Gupta, PCS | Secretary |

OFFICERS PRESENT :-

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| 1. | Sh. Sunil Bhatia, PCS | ACMC-I |
| 2. | Sh. Lalit Siwach, HCS | ACMC-II |
| 3. | Sh. S.S. Bida | Chief Engineer |
| 4. | Sh. Mukesh Anand | S.E.(B&R) |
| 5. | Sh. R.C. Diwan | S.E. (P.H.) |
| 6. | Sh. B.K. Salwan | MOH |
| 7. | Sh. Desh Raj | C.A.O. |
| 8. | Sh. Jai Pal Singh | XEN (Roads-I) |
| 9. | Sh. Inderjit Gulati | XEN (Roads-I/ III) |
| 10. | Sh. Harinder Singh | XEN (P.H. Div. No-I) |
| 11. | Sh. Anil Bansal | XEN (P.H. Div. No-III) |
| 12. | Sh. Gurpreet Singh | XEN (P.H. Div. No-IV) |
| 13. | Sh. Surinder Pal Singh | XEN (Electrical) |

The Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Councillors and Officers present in the 228th meeting of the Finance & Contract Committee.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.1

Confirmation of the minutes of 227th meeting of the Finance and Contract Committee held on 11.02.2013 at 11.00 a.m. in the Committee Room of the MC, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.1 before the Committee for confirmation.

Sh. Arun Sood said that his main view regarding the budget provisions had not been incorporated in the minutes.

The Commissioner said that the recording would be re-checked and the version would be recorded accordingly, which is as under :-

Sh. Arun Sood suggested that residents should be aware of the online complaints. He further suggested that the strict action should be taken against the defaulters who had not paid property tax.

Sh. Arun Sood asked the reasons of difference under plan head in the budget for the years 2012-13 & 2013-14 whereas the budget under Non-Plan head is correct.

The Mayor said that before asking regarding the budget provisions, the expenditure incurred during the last year should be read.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the budget provisions were made without assessing the expenditure during the past financial years. Therefore, the figures of the budget are not realistic. He further asked how much grant had been received from the Administration and how much grant had not been received from the Administration for the last 3-4 years. He further asked whether the amount which had been granted by the Administration would be granted now, whether the said amount had been carried forward or not? He further asked the provision of Rs. 219.00 crore had been kept

in the budget under Plan Head, whether it would be granted by the Administration or not.

The Commissioner clarified that the Corporation demanded grant in aid of Rs. 476.00 crore from the Administration, but the Administration had not given any assurance for releasing the said grant. He further told that in view of the figures, the present budget was totally realistic. The Commissioner told that last year, budget provision under Plan Head for grant of Rs. 146.00 crore was kept and the same was released by the Administration.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the receipts of Corporation had reduced, FDRs were being encashed and the grant in aid also had been reduced and asked whether the grants in question was released by the Administration for the financial year 2012-13. He further said that two years ago there was an amount of Rs. 500.00 crore in the FDRs, which had also reduced. He asked why the receipts on property tax side had been reducing. He further opposed the imposition of house tax. He further said that the share of revenue receipts i.e. 22% was not being released by the Administration, which is the legitimate right of the Corporation.

The Commissioner told that except grant in aid for the Primary Health and Primary Education had been received as per our demand. Because the expenditure could not be incurred for these departments. He further said, "if the taxes are not imposed, the Corporation would have to auction its own property." He replied all the queries raised by Sh. Arun Sood.

"The Committee confirmed the minutes of 227th meeting of the Finance and Contract Committee held on 11.02.2013 at 11.00 a.m, alongwith above said statements/amendments."

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.2**Request to review and make amendment to the Terms & Conditions of Taxi Stands.**

The Secretary put up agenda item No.2 before the Committee for consideration.

Sh. Arun Sood asked why the possession was not taken immediately after the cancellation of the taxi stands. He further said why the licences of taxi stands were cancelled without prior notices and stated that there was something fishy in the matter and asked the reasons of not taking the possession of cancelled taxi stands. He suggested that subtletted taxi stands should be cancelled.

The Additional Commissioner-II told that representations were received from the individuals and union, to re-consider the matter sympathetically as the matter was under consideration, the possession could not be taken so far.

The Commissioner told that the licensees have made requests to the Mayor and Officers to review the conditions imposed on taxi stands. Some of them also claim to now fulfill the conditions. As such, coercive measures could not be taken.

The Mayor told that after the cancellation, delegations of two taxi stand unions came to him and submitted their representation to review the cancellation order. As the matter was under consideration and it was kept pending for taking final decision in the meeting of F&CC. Now the matter has come before the F&CC for taking the final decision. He further told that the advice of Law Officer was obtained whether the Corporation can claim the rent from the owners of cancelled taxi stands or not. As per advice of the Law Officer, the rent can not be claimed from them at this stage.

The Commissioner was of the view that a Committee in this regard should be constituted to settle this issue.

Sh. Arun Sood asked the reasons for deferring the present agenda in the previous meeting. Now some of the persons have obtained stay from the Hon'ble High Court and time have been given to them knowingly and it seems there is conspiracy in the matter.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil was of the view that a Committee may be formed and findings of the same be implemented within time bound period.

The Committee considered & resolved that a Committee consisting of Councillors and officers be formed to consider this issue and hear the defaulters stand licensees also. The Committee should submit its recommendations within one month. Till then status quo be maintained."

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.3

New Proposals for Best Councillor / Ward awards.

The agenda item No.3 was withdrawn.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.4

Supply of Anti Rabies Vaccine to Anti Rabies Clinic Sector-19, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.4 before the Committee for consideration.

Sh. Arun Sood said that anti rabies vaccinations were available only in the dispensary of Sector-19, being single dispensary, there was rush of patients. He further

suggested that there should four zones of the city and the anti rabies vaccine should be provided in the four or five dispensaries like in Sector-15, 38, 47, 28 & Manimajra.

The Commissioner said that the Corporation would write to the Director Health Services, U.T. Chandigarh, for the feasibility of providing vaccine in the above mentioned dispensaries.

“The Committee considered and unanimously approved the proposal for purchase of anti rabies vaccination for six months i.e. w.e.f. 1.4.2013 to 30.9.2013, at the total cost of Rs.29,70,000/- lacs (approximately) + 5% VAT from M/s Batra Pharmaceutical Distributor, SCO.No. 360, 2nd Floor, Sector-32, Chandigarh, as per the rate contract of M/s Chiron Behring Vaccine Pvt. Ltd. ”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.5

Revision of rates for permissions to Old Scooter / Motorcycle Bazar in Sector- 22 and 41, Chandigarh.

The agenda item No.5 was withdrawn.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.6

Auction of Exhibition ground Sector 34, Chandigarh for Summer Shopping Festival, Janamasthmi Mela/ Diwali Mela / Winter Shopping Festival during Christmas days.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.6 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I told earlier the Exhibition Ground Sector-34, Chandigarh was used to be auctioned only for Diwali Mela for a period of 17 days i.e. five days for erection of pandal, 10 days for Diwali Mela and two days for dismantling of pandal/vacating the ground. Now, it has been proposed that this ground

should be auctioned for Vaisakhi Festival in the month of April, Janamashtmi festival during August/September, Diwali Mela-cum-Exhibition during month of October/November, Winter Shopping Festival-cum-Exhibition during the month of December/January.

Sh. Arun Sood asked, “whether this ground is allotted to a particular firm/person or group of shopkeepers. He suggested that after 10% enhancement in the previous auction price should be the reserve price of auction.

The Commissioner clarified this ground was auctioned & allotted to an individual for a particular period including erection & dismantling the pandal. Further, he can allow different kinds of shops on rent. He further said that 75% of last auction should be kept as reserve price of the auction of Sector-34 Exhibition Ground. Moreover, the reserve price of every ground would be fixed by the F&CC prior to its auction. He further said that due to paucity of time, this ground could not be auctioned for Vaisakhi Festival and it should be auctioned from Janamasthmi festival.

“The Committee unanimously resolved that the Exhibition Ground, Sector-34, be auctioned for Vaisakhi Festival, Janamashtmi Festival, Diwali Mela-cum-Exhibition and Winter Shopping Festival-cum-Exhibition. Further it was decided that the auction of this ground be started from Janamashtmi Festival.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.10

Booking of Exhibition Ground, in front of Furniture Market, Sector 34, Circus-cum Exhibition Ground, Sector 17 and Circus-cum-Exhibition Ground, Near Housing Board Chowk, Manimajra, U.T., Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.10 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-II said that it had already been decided in the 221st meeting of F&CC held on 17.8.2012 that the Exhibition Ground in front of Furniture Market, Sector-34, be rented out 20,000/- per day to the commercial organization and Rs.10,000/- per day to the Govt./Semi Government Organizations. He further said that the rent of this ground and other grounds i.e. Exhibition-cum-Circus ground, Sector-17, Chandigarh and Exhibition-cum-Circus Ground, near Housing Board Chowk, Manimajra should be revised. Similarly, the same grounds are being rented out to the religious organizations and the rates for religious bodies are also to be revised.

Sh. Sat Paul Bansal suggested that 25% of the present rent should be enhanced.

“The Committee considered and unanimously approved 25% enhancement in the present rent of the Exhibition-cum-Circus ground, Sector-17, Chandigarh and Exhibition-cum-Circus Ground, near Housing Board Chowk, Manimajra for commercial Organizations, Govt./Semi Government Organization and Religious Organizations. The terms and conditions for renting out these grounds will remain the same.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.7

Extension of Contract for another year for procurement of dry/green fodder.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.7 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I told that gaushala of Maloya and Sector-45, had been handed over to the NGOs, hence dry fodder/green fodder is only required for cattle Pound, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh. He further told that the contract

had been made on year to year basis, extendable upto three years. Hence, the extension for one year more comes within the ambit of contract.

“The Committee considered and approved the contract for one year i.e. from 1.4.2013 to 31.3.2014 for the procurement of 2400 qtl. dry fodder at the cost of Rs. 11,88,000/- from M/s Balpreet Singh & 3650 qtl. green fodder at the cost of Rs. 9,78,200/- from M/s Ruby Jain, for cattle pound, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh, on the same terms & conditions.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.8

E-Tender for the procurement of Slaked Lime.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.8 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and approved the proposal for the period of one year to procure 16000 bags @ 130/- per bag of 25 kg. each of slaked lime from M/s M.M. Lime Industries, at a total cost of Rs. 20,80,000/-.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.9

Pilot Project in Sector 22 for door to door collection of house hold waste.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.9 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that the approval granted by the F&CC had already expired on 28.2.2013, but the Pilot Project in Sector-22 was continued as CMC had granted extension with the recommendation of Committee subject to the ex-post-facto approval of F&CC.

The Commissioner clarified regarding the modified scheme of trolleys in Pilot Project. Earlier, the trolley had to collect the garbage from door to door. Now the trolleys shall be parked at Sehaj Safai Kendra, Sector-22 and door to door collectors shall take the municipal solid waste there instead of many points. There would be 18 helpers on six trolleys instead of six helpers. As per recommendations of the Committee constituted for the pilot project, road sweeping be started during night from 10.00 p.m. to 6.00 a.m. by road sweeping machines.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil pointed out that the sweeping machines were not so useful for road sweeping. The cost and maintenance of the said machines are very high, moreover, said machines have been abandoned. He further asked regarding the appointment of 18 helpers and 12 Sanitary Inspectors to be posted in Sector-22.

The Commissioner told that the pilot project was launched in Sector-22, the results of the pilot project were good, but not upto the initial expectations. He further said the Committee should grant extension for pilot project for two months more, in the meantime, it would be ascertained whether the old system requires some modification or not. Moreover, the system would be streamlined within two months and frequency would be improved.

Sh. Arun Sood said that when 25 new dumper placers had been purchased what was the necessity to extend this pilot project.

“The Committee considered and unanimously accorded ex-post-facto approval for the extension of Pilot Project in Sector-22, for three months from 28.2.2013 to 31.5.2013 with the same terms & conditions.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.11

Decision on Night Shelter/Raen Basera building situated at Pocket No. 2 & 3, Manimajra, Chandigarh leased to the Sadhna Society for Mentally Retarded Children for the purpose of running school of Mentally Retarded Children.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.11 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-II told that Raen Basera Manimajra was constructed by the erstwhile NAC Manimajra, Chandigarh. In 144th meeting of F&CC held on 13.12.2005, it was decided to charge Re.1/- as token fee per month from Sadhna Society for running school for Mentally Retarded Children. In 193rd meeting of F&CC, the lease period was further extended for three years w.e.f. 25.1.2010 to 24.1.2013.

The Commissioner said that the Social Welfare Department had been intending for getting it vacated from the Sadhna Society and this building should be used as Raen Basera/Night Shelter. He further said the matter was discussed in the 216th meeting of F&CC **and it was decided that we may write to the Director Social Welfare that the said Raen Basera is already leased for social cause, therefore other possibility be explored.** Therefore, he suggested that this building was used for the social cause for the mentally handicapped children and should not be got vacated.

“The Committee considered & allowed to extend the lease of Raen Basera Building situated in Pocket No.2 & 3, Manimajra to the Sadhna Society for Mentally Handicapped Children, Chandigarh on token rent of Re. 1/- per month for a period of one year, which will be extendable upto three years, w.e.f. 25.1.2013 on the same terms & conditions.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.12**Revision of Ground rent for Stacking of Building Material in the city.**

The Secretary put up agenda item No.12 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-II told that the present rate of ground rent for stacking building material were fixed in the year, 1998 and required to be revised.

The Committee considered and approved the rate of ground rent for stacking of building material in the city as under :-

For residential Buildings in the city :-

| S.No. | For new construction | | For renovation / addition / alteration | |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | 1 | For a space up to 1000sft | Rs.4000/- for six months | For a space up to 1000sft |
| 2 | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.8000/- for six months | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.2000/- per month |

For residential Buildings in the villages / re-habilitation colonies.

| S.No. | For new construction | | For renovation / addition / alteration | |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | 1 | For a space up to 1000sft | Rs.2000/- for six months | For a space up to 1000sft |
| 2 | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.4000/- for six months | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.1200/- per month |

For Commercial Buildings like Booths / SCF's /SCO's in the City.

| S.No. | For new construction | | For renovation / addition / alteration | |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| | 1 | For a space up to 1000sft | Rs.8000/- for six months | For a space up to 1000sft |
| 2 | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.15000/- for six months | For a space above 1000 sft | Rs.3000/- per month |

For Commercial Buildings like Shopping Malls / Cinema Halls / Hotels / Industrial Buildings seeking bulk vacant land in the City.

Rs. 15000/- per 1000 sqft per month for commercial buildings.

In additions to above, security of Rs. 2 Lacs from these major Commercial buildings would be charged .

The penalty in case of violation will be double the regular charges.

The Mayor pointed out,“ when a building is constructed, loaded trucks are parked on the paver blocks and due to this all the paver blocks are damaged.” he gave the instance of Sector-18 and told that the railing of the green belt had been broken and paver blocks had been damaged. Similarly, paver blocks which were fixed few days ago and the same had been uprooted by the owner of the house in Sector-21 and asked the solution of this problem.

The Committee unanimously resolved that the owner of the building would bear the cost of all the damages.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.13

Providing and Fixing of Huts and PCC Benches in various Parks of Sector 42, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.13 before the Committee for consideration.

Sh. Darshan Kumar asked whether any policy had been framed regarding erecting of benches in the parks.

The Executive Engineer (Horticulture) told that there were norms for erecting benches in the parks and green belt. He further told that according to norms 15 benches were to be installed in green belts and 10 in neighbourhood parks.

The Mayor said, "the benches in the parks have been placed in numbers, but have not been fixed properly". He further told that Smt. Sheela Phool Singh demanded for 20 benches in a park in her area and 20 benches were installed there, but all the benches had been stolen. He further directed if any Councillor place the demand of benches in the parks of his/her area, it should be asked to him/her how many benches had already been installed in the said park.

Sh. Arun Sood said that earlier iron benches and jullas were installed in the parks and all the benches and jullas are in bad shape now and suggested that benches and jullas made of fiber should be installed in place of iron benches and jullas. These look more attractive. He further suggested that all the iron benches and jullas should be sold as the same were being stolen.

The Executive Engineer (Horticulture) told that the present agenda was pertaining to the various parks of Sector 42 which had been developed earlier and the benches were to be installed first time.

The Committee asked for the status report of parks in Sector 42.

"The Committee considered and approved the estimate amounting to Rs.15.41 lacs for Providing and Fixing of Huts and PCC Benches in various Parks of Sector 42, Chandigarh."

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.14

Purchase of 11 nos. Chainsaw & 05 nos. Hedge Trimmer for use in Horticulture Division M.C. Chandigarh under Landscaping.

The agenda item No.14 was withdrawn.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.15

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC in front of SCO 1-31 and 32-62 in Sector 26, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.15 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.27.82 lacs for providing and laying 25mm thick SDBC in front of SCO 1-31 and 32-62 in Sector 26, Chandigarh.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.16

Upgradation of Transport Area by providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks in Sector 26, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.16 before the Committee for consideration.

The Commissioner asked the location where paver blocks in Sector 26 were to be fixed.

The Committee decided that the agenda be brought up in more detail & this agenda was deferred.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.17

Strengthening of internal roads of Timber Market in Sector 26, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.17 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.30.51 lacs for Strengthening of internal roads of Timber Market in Sector 26, Chandigarh.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.18

Inclusion of residual manpower of M/s Millennium Manpower and temporary deployment of various categories of manpower (Group C & D) with other contractors on ending of contract of M/s Millennium Manpower on 31.03.2013.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.18 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that since the contract of M/s Millennium Manpower is ending on 31.3.2013 and the final show cause notice to M/s Millennium Manpower has been served against depositing bogus challans of service tax. He further told that tenders had been invited three times, but no tender was received.

The Commissioner said that it would not be prudent to continue with the M/s Millennium Manpower beyond 31.3.2013. Therefore, the condition of tender required to be relaxed to outsource the manpower from the three contractors as recommended by the Committee, so that the work may not suffer.

“The F&CC considered and accorded approval of temporary deployment of various categories of manpower (Group C & D) by splitting the manpower from the three contractors and relaxed the condition of e-tendering as under:-

| Sr. No. | Name of Contractor | Manpower to be hired |
|----------------|--|--|
| 1. | M/s Friends Associates | 19 Sanitary Inspectors (including 01 Sanitary Inspector of P.C.O. Wing) |
| | | 09 Sanitary Beldars |
| | | 04 P.C.O. |
| | Total | 32 |
| 2. | M/s Reliable Services | 16 Butchers |
| | | 10 Dog Catchers |
| | Total | 26 |
| 3. | M/s Decent Security & House Keeping Services | 25 Cattle Catchers |
| | | 01 Electrician |
| | | 01 Plumber |
| | Total | 27 |
| | Grand Total | 85 (71 of MOH wing + 14 of P.C.O. wing) |

On service charges/ Administrative charges @ 2.27 % for three months

i.e. from 01.04.2013 to 30.6.2013.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.19

Supply of uniforms to the Fire Officers/Officials of the Fire & Emergency Services, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh – stitching thereof.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.19 before the Committee for consideration.

The Joint Commissioner-cum-Chief Fire Officer said that the uniform to the Fire Officers/ Officials of the Fire & Emergency Services, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh were due in the financial year 2010-11. The cloth and other articles of the uniforms have been purchased in the year 2011 after following the due procedure.

Limited tenders were invited from 14 firms out of which only 5 firms submitted the limited tenders. M/s EHO Jeans has quoted the lowest rates along with earnest money, who qualifies all other conditions and further told the cloth was purchased at the cost of Rs.7,23360/- and has since been laying in the store.

“The Committee considered and resolved that the uniforms of Fire Officers/ Officials of the Fire & Emergency Services, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh be got stitched from M/s EHO Jeans.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.20

Engagement of additional 10 nos. of Sanitary Inspectors through service provider.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.20 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that 10 additional Sanitary Inspectors are to be engaged through service provider. He further told that 27 Sanitary Inspectors had been working and no leave arrangement could be made because of the shortage of Sanitary Inspectors. These Inspectors would be deployed for night challoaning and drive of other kinds.

The M.O.H. told that 19 posts of Sanitary Inspectors were sanctioned out of which 9 nos. of Sanitary Inspectors are in position and 18 have been working on contractual basis.

The Commissioner suggested that we should recruit retired employee after relaxing the age as such persons could interact with the public amicably. He further said that the single temporary vacancy would be filled up from the retiree in future.

The Mayor said that the young Sanitary Inspector should be recruited as the term & conditions have already been finalized.

Sh. Sat Paul Bansal suggested that the age from 25 years to 35 years should be increased.

Sh. Arun Sood told that a young Sanitary Inspector had been deployed in his ward and he is very efficient and attentive to his work, but cannot handle the elders properly.

“The Committee considered and approved to engage additional 10 nos. of Sanitary Inspectors having Sanitary Inspector course/ diploma from recognized institutions through service provider and approved the age relaxation from 25 years to 35 years.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.21

Purchase of two number new Ambassador Cars for one vehicle for Worthy Mayor and one for Commissioner.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.21 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-I told that two Ambassador Cars bearing No. CH01G10900 & CH01G10051 Model-2004 and 2006 respectively had covered the required mileage and fulfill the condition of condemnation. He further told that the present Mayor's staff car was purchased in the year, 2008 i.e. Toyota Corolla and an Ambassador car provided to the Commissioner was purchased in the year, 2005. Although both the cars do not fulfill the condition of condemnation, but the condition of both the cars are not so good and require replacement.

Sh. Arun Sood asked how the Corporation can purchased new cars in place of already being used car by the Mayor and the Commissioner.

The Commissioner told that the two Ambassador Cars which were attached with Agenda Branch and Joint Commissioner had fulfilled the conditions of condemnation and the two new cars are to be purchased in place of these cars.

Sh. Arun Sood appreciated the proposal of purchasing new cars for Commissioner and Mayor and suggested that the vehicle should be provided to the SDOs Electricity of Municipal Corporation.

The Commissioner told that the case had been referred to the Administration to purchase the vehicles for electricity wing, but the sanction had not been received so far. The sanction only for two vehicles for Fire & Emergency Services has been received only.

The S.E.(P.H.) proposed that two Honda City cars should be purchased instead of Ambassador.

Sh. Arun Sood said that we authorize Mayor to purchase Car as per his own choice. The other members of the Committee also seconded it.

“The Committee unanimously resolved that two Ambassador Cars bearing No. CH01G10900 & CH01G10051 of Model-2004 and Model-2006, be condemned. The Committee further unanimously resolved that two Ambassador Cars be purchased in lieu of condemned cars.

It was further decided that one Toyota Innova or any other vehicle equivalent price be purchased for Mayor keeping in view his status. The make of the vehicle will be as per the choice of the Mayor.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.22**Shifting of unclaimed impounded cattle - regarding.**

The Secretary put up agenda item No.22 before the Committee for consideration.

The CMC told, "in order to make space for shifting the unclaimed cattle from the cattle pound, it is necessary that the cows from both the gaushalas will have to be shifted from other gaushals out of city." The New Delhi based Dabur Hare Krishna Gaushala had offered that the cows would be received from Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh @ Rs. 2000/- per cattle. He further told that Corporation had two gaushalas those were already over crowded. The stray cattle are movingly dangerously on the road which results in fatal accidents. He further told that the F&CC or the officers had to visit the Dabur Hare Krishna Gaushala to see the credentials of said gaushala but could not visit due to some reasons.

Sh. Sat Paul Bansal suggested that before shifting the cows in Dabur Hare Krishna gaushala, New Delhi, the credentials of said gaushala should be ascertained.

Sh. Arun Sood agreed to the proposal, but asked whether any policy in this regard had been approved or not. He further asked how many cows were shifted during the year, 2003 and in which gaushalas?

The Mayor said that a team would be constituted to visit the Dabur Hare Krishna Gaushala, New Delhi, which would submit its report and further strategy would be adopted according to the report of the team. He further told that 3200 (approximately) cows were sent out of the city in 3-4 gaushals during the year, 2003.

Sh. Arun Sood said during the year, 2003, a truck full of cows met with an accident and a case was registered against the then Commissioner.

The Mayor told that during the year, 1996-97 the cows were used to be auctioned. The auctioneers were belonging to Uttar Pradesh, when the cows were carried in the trucks in Yamunanagar and near Ponta Sahib, the local residents of said area stopped the trucks and fired them because slaughtering was the aim of said auctioneers. After that incident, the practice was stopped and tradition for shifting of cows in other gaushalas was started. He further told that the accident occurred in Himachal Pradesh, during the year, 2003, due to unlocked Dalla of the truck in which the cows were being carried, some cows fell down from the truck and died. The case was registered against the officers of the Corporation. After that the House decided that the cows should be handed over to the other gaushalas out of city. Thereafter, the cows were sent in 3-4 gaushals.

Sh. Arun Sood asked, “ at present how many stray cattle are in the city?”

The Additional Commissioner-I told that approximately 1000 stray cattle were in the city. He further told that the capacity of both the Gaushalas was 900 whereas 1100 cows had been kept there.

Sh. Arun Sood said that 10 years ago, the city was made free from pigs as all the pigs were auctioned. He further said that the impounded cows should not be released even on penalty, because the owner of the cow would let off free next day for grazing in the parks of city and stressed once impounded cow should not be released at any cost.

The Mayor told that the stray cattle came from the neighbouring state i.e. Haryana and Punjab and almost these cattle are barren.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that the gaushalas of the city were already overloaded. Further, he said that the case of pigs was not similar to the cows as the pigs were auctioned for slaughtering but this act could not be done with the cows.

Sh. Arun Sood said that at present 1100 cows are surplus. If the same are shifted in other guashalas out of city, after that it is also not certainty that the stray cattle will not enter in the city again. He further asked whether there was any gaushala/organization, which would opt the stray cattle free of cost.

The Mayor told that five gaushalas were requested to take the cows, reply of only two have been received i.e. Arsh Mahavidyalya Gurukul Gaushala, Kalwa, Jind Haryana and Dabur Hare Krishna Gaushala, New Delhi submitted its option alongwith terms & conditions. The credentials of the said gaushalas would be ascertained by the Committee.

Sh. Arun Sood suggested that milk giving cows should not be released after impounding even after penalty, such cows should also be shifted in the gaushalas of M.C. He further suggested that the cows should be shifted out of city in such guashalas those were ready to accept the cows voluntarily free of cost as such gaushalas had deep faith in cows.

The Mayor told that Dhanas Milk Colony including 12 villages of the U.T. Administration had been allowed to keep the cattle and the cattle come to city from these villages also. As and when these villages come within the jurisdiction of Corporation, the said villages would be free of cattle.

The Commissioner suggested that a team should be constituted to visit the gaushalas to ascertain the credentials of the gaushalas and after the report of the team, 500 cows should be allowed to be shifted.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the F&CC members would visit the gaushalas and if the members found the credentials of gaushalas were suitable, then it would be decided by the members to shift the cows there. He was also of the view that we should prefer such gaushalas those are ready to take over the cows free of cost.

“The Committee resolved in principle that a Committee be constituted to ascertain the credentials of the Dabur Hare Krishna Gaushala, New Delhi as well as other gaushalas also. If the credentials are found suitable, upto 500 cows be shifted there and financial implications be borne by the Corporation.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.23

Operation and maintenance of thirty eight (38 no) temporary re-locatable toilet blocks located in various slum colonies of U.T. Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.23 before the Committee for consideration.

The S.E.(P.H.) explained the agenda in detail and told that four agencies are willing to operate and maintain the temporary re-locatable toilet blocks in various slums colonies of U.T. Chandigarh, on no profit and no loss basis and free of cost also. He further told that these four agencies would maintain the 38 temporary re-locatable toilet blocks on user charges basis.

“The Committee considered and approved for entrusting free of cost operation & maintenance of 38 temporary re-locatable toilet blocks in four zones in various slum colonies to the firms proposed in the agenda for a period of two years or till the existence of temporary blocks, whichever is earlier on the execution of MOU.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.24

Agenda regarding procurement of Spare Parts for 03 No. of Large Road Sweeping Machine.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.24 before the Committee for consideration.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that these machines were white elephant and useless and maintenance of these machines was very costly.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the usage of these machines were not so much and the hour of sweeping should be increased. He further demanded that these machines should be deployed in his ward for sweeping.

The Additional Commissioner-I told that this machine would run 2100 hours per year and had completed five years, therefore, major parts require replacement and suggested that Agenda Item No.25 should be taken first before Agenda Item No.24 as both the agendas were co-related. He further said that these machines were very useful and better than manual sweeping and suggested these machines should be run in double shifts. He further assured that machines would be deployed for sweeping in the ward of Sh. Arun Sood.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that the manual sweeping was cheaper than the sweeping of these machines.

“The Committee considered and approved expenditure for one year @ Rs.14,33,609/- for six months (alongwith the cost of insurance and freight of FOR Chandigarh @ 10% and custom duty and other taxes @ 20%) to procure the spare parts for three number large road sweeping machines from M/s Dulevo India Pvt. Ltd.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 228.25

Comprehensive Maintenance Contract for 03 No. of Large Road Sweeping Machine.

The Secretary put up agenda item No.25 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and approved expenditure amounting to Rs. 34.50 lac for comprehensive maintenance contract for 03 no. of Large Road sweeping machine with M/s Dulevo India Pvt. Ltd.”

Table Agenda Item No.1

Post- facto approval for actual expenditure for the arrangement of Martyr’s Day-2013

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.1 before the Committee for consideration.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the ex-post facto approval was not a healthy practice and it had been opposed so many times and it should not be happened in future.

The Mayor clarified the justification of ex-post-facto approval.

“The Committee considered and accorded ex-post-facto approval of Rs. 2,53,792/- incurred for the arrangement of Martyr’s Day-2013”

Table Agenda Item No.2

Setting up of Camp Office at the residence of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.2 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and accorded approval of Rs. 3,75,000/- for the setting up of Camp Office at the residence of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh, either by way of a temporary structure or making internal modifications to existing building.

The Committee further approved that suitable staff for the camp office (i.e. one Clerk, two Peons and one Chowkidar) would be provided by the Engineering Department out of their existing strength. ”

Table Agenda Item No.3

Rough cost estimate for the work of “Providing independent SWD Line 24” I/D and construction of manholes & road gullies etc. from CTU work shop to Sukhna Choe, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh.”

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.3 before the Committee for consideration.

The S.E.(P.H.) told that the road under railway bridge, near CTU work shop, Indl.Area, Phase-I, having slope on either side. This road gets submerged under water during the rainy season and due to the problem of water logging, there is chances of mishappening. Moreover, the public faces great inconvenience during the rainy season and this area requires independent storm water drainage line.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.30.85 lacs for the work of “Providing independent SWD Line 24” I/D and construction of manholes & road gullies etc. from CTU work shop to Sukhna Choe, Industrial Area, Phase-I, Chandigarh.”

The Mayor asked whether the garbage/malba of road gullies was shifted immediately or not. He further said that a telephonic message came to him that the malba of road gullies had been left at the spot .

The S.E.(P.H.) told that the road gullies were being cleaned and malba was shifted before 5.00 p.m. daily.

Sh. Arun Sood suggested that the signatures of the area residents should be obtained after cleaning the road gullies and shifting of malba from there.

Table Agenda Item No.4

Rough cost estimate for the work of “Strengthening of Sewerage System at Phirni Road in Village Palsora, U.T. Chandigarh.

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.4 before the Committee for consideration.

“The Committee considered and approved the rough cost estimate amounting to Rs.22.10 lacs for the work of “Strengthening of Sewerage System at Phirni Road in Village Palsora, U.T., Chandigarh.”

Table Agenda Item No.5

Hiring of 14 nos. security guards from Punjab Ex-serviceman Corporation (PESCO) Chandigarh for security purpose.

The Secretary put up table agenda item No.5 before the Committee for consideration.

The Additional Commissioner-II said that the office engaged 14 security guards from M/s Millennium Manpower on labour rates approved by the Chandigarh Administration. The contract of the said firm had expired on 31.12.2012. It was further informed that F&CC in one of its earlier meetings had decided to take manpower on outsourced basis from Government Agencies as far as possible to avoid exploitation of manpower. Moreover, the security from PESCO is expected to be more professional and better trained. It was further informed that recently MOH has hired Security Guards & Inspectors from PESCO after the approval of F&CC. Accordingly, it was requested to approve hiring of 14 Security Guards and one Inspector from PESCO, on the same terms & conditions as settled by the MOH with PESCO, which is placed at Appendix 'B' with the agenda.

“The Committee considered and approved hiring of 14 nos. Security Guards and one Inspector from PESCO on the same terms & conditions as settled by the MOH with the PESCO.

Further, It was also resolved that four Chowkidars would be engaged by the Engineering Wing for opening/closing the rooms of M.C. Building.”

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

**Secretary,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.**

