

**MINUTES OF THE 179th MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION
CHANDIGARH HELD ON 30.04.2012 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE ASSEMBLY HALL OF THE
CORPORATION CHANDIGARH.**

The followings were present:-

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| 1. Smt. Raj Bala Malik | Mayor |
| 2. Sh. V.P. Singh, IAS | Commissioner |
| 3. Sh. Darshan Kumar | Sr. Dy. Mayor |
| 4. Sh. Satish Kumar | Deputy Mayor |
| 5. Sh. Babu Lal, IAS (Retd.) | Councillor |
| 6. Sh. Anoop Sunny Gill | Councillor |
| 7. Prof. Aruna Goel | Councillor |
| 8. Dr. Shagufta Parveen | Councillor |
| 9. Maj.(Retd.) D.S. Sandhu | Councillor |
| 10. Sh. M.P. Kohli | Councillor |
| 11. Sh. Sat Paul Bansal | Councillor |
| 12. Smt. Sheela Devi | Councillor |
| 13. Sh. Surinder Bahga | Councillor |
| 14. Sh. Saurabh Joshi | Councillor |
| 15. Smt. Kashmiri Devi | Councillor |
| 16. Smt. Asha Kumari Jaswal | Councillor |
| 17. Sh. Subhash Chawla | Councillor |
| 18. Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal | Councillor |
| 19. Sh. Arun Sood | Councillor |
| 20. Smt. Gurbax Rawat | Councillor |
| 21. Sh. Malkiat Singh | Councillor |
| 22. Smt. Harjinder Kaur | Councillor |
| 23. Sh. Harphool Chander Kalyan | Councillor |
| 24. Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta | Councillor |
| 25. Sh. Mukesh Bassi | Councillor |

26. Sh. Satinder Singh	Councillor
27. Sh. Naresh Kumar	Councillor
28. Smt. Heera Negi	Councillor
29. Sh. Davesh Moudgil	Councillor
30. Smt. Rajinder Kaur	Councillor
31. Sh. Gurcharan Das	Councillor
32. Sh. Des Raj Gupta	Councillor
33. 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 Mukesh Anand	S.E.(B&R)
4. Sh R.C. Diwan	S.E.(PH)
5. Dr. B.K. Salwan	M.O.H.
6. Sh Yogesh Gupta	XEN (Roads-I)
7. Sh Jai Pal Singh	XEN (Roads-II)
8. Sh Harinder Singh	XEN (P.H. Div No-I)
9. Sh R.S. Ahluwalia	XEN (P.H. Div No-II)
10. Sh Anil Bansal	XEN (P.H. Div No-III)
11. Sh Gurpreet Singh	XEN (P.H. Div No-IV)
12. Sh Surinder Pal Singh	XEN (Electrical)

At the outset, the Secretary welcomed the Mayor, Commissioner, Councillors and media persons in the 179th meeting of the General House of Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

Smt Rajinder Kaur said that recently one person died in Mauli Jagran as he fell in the gutter and proposed that the House should observe silence for two minutes.

“The House observed silence for two minutes”.

Sh H.C.Kalyan said that Safaikarmachari have been protesting for their demands for some days. He requested that as per the directions of the Hon'ble High Court the garbage should directly go to the Dumping Ground or Processing Plant. The contractor exploits the Safaikaramchari by paying them minimum amount of Rs 5000/-per month. He suggested that the Corporation should provide them vehicles so that they could throw garbage directly at the Processing Plant and also suggested that contractual system be abolished. He further said that Hon'ble High Court has directed to improve the sanitation condition of the city for which he has suggested that new posts of Safaikaramcharies be created and persons already working should be regularized.

Sh Arun Sood said that he had submitted a question regarding the issuance of passes for free parking but the reply has not been placed before the House, despite the fact that every information is available on the register of the concerned branch.

Sh Subhash Chawla said that during recently held meeting of the councilors, it has been observed that there is lack of coordination between the officers and the councilors and non submission of reply is also an example of the same. He further said that fixation of meeting of two separate committee at the same time and venue is also a result of non coordination. He requested that circular of meeting of various committees should be issued from one office to avoid the clash of dates of the meetings.

Sh M.P. Kohli said that even after lapse of four months, various committees have not been functional despite that the Secretary Local Government has accorded approval for the constitution of those committees. It is insult to ask the councilors to vacate the committee room as other meeting was going to be held there. He further said that nominated councilors were not invited in the meeting recently convened by the Mayor. He asked the reason for not inviting them in the said meeting.

Sh. Rajesh Kumar Gupta said that the meeting of Finance & Contract Committee was adjourned on the basis of quorum whereas two members were present in the meeting.

The Mayor said that the meeting had to adjourned as no member was present in the committee room till 11.30 a.m.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that she reached in the meeting at 11.45 a.m. as she was busy in Sector 35 in some administrative matter as some people were unloading the garbage in front of the Congress Bhawan.

Sh. Malkiat Singh said that he along with Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal were appointed as Observer for the auction of enforcement wing, but when they reached nobody was present there. The said auction was postponed, but the Councillors were not informed and then the same auction was conducted at 1.00 p.m. without intimating the Councillors.

The Secretary informed that the urgent meeting was called at 11.00 a.m. in the Administration as an affidavit was to be filed in the Supreme Court. Due to urgency of the meeting the said auction was postponed and Sh. Sat Parkash Aggarwal was informed who further intimated to Sh. Malkiat Singh.

Maj. D.S. Sandhu (Retd.) said that the nominated Councillors should not be ignored. When the Mayor or the Commissioner visit an area, nominated Councillors should also be invited. He further said that recently the Commissioner visited the Community Centre in Sector 35 at Topiary Park. The lights of Topiary Parks are not in working order for the last two months. Despite repeated request to XEN (Electrical) no action has so far been taken. He suggested that the schedule of meetings of different committees to be held in the committee room should be noted in the office of one officer so that the time of the meetings should not clash.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that the Municipal Corporation has adopted CPWD manual but not in toto, as a result the councillors area facing problem. She suggested that the powers be delegated up to the level of the SDO/SDE and CPWD manual be adopted in toto. She said that even small estimates are approved by the officers at the top level which take a lot of time and councillors cannot get the work done in reasonable time. She further said that the proposal in this regard be brought before the House for approval in its next meeting.

The House authorized the Mayor to constitute a Sub Committee to study and examine the CPWD Manual and recommended amendments if required.

Sh Arun Sood said a copy of CPWD manual be circulated to all the councilors.

Sh Subhash Chawla said that a House should run as per the rules laid down in the Regulations. He further said that the councilors are not aware about their rights, neither the powers of Mayor are clear to anyone.

Regarding question of Sh. Arun Sood, the Commissioner said that the reply would be sent to the concerned Councillor within 15 days and it would be placed in the next meeting of the House.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Confirmation of the minutes of 178th meeting of the General House held on 30.03.2012 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.

Major D.S.Sandhu said that he had raised the issue of stray dogs in the last meeting, which has been mentioned in the minutes. He was of the view that the stray dogs menace is very serious and their population is increasing day by day and concrete steps should be taken to check their population. He further said that he visited the dog hospital in Panchkula and requested them to

help the Municipal Corporation in the sterilization of dogs. They have offered to sterilize 5 dogs per day and have agreed to accept the dogs 5 days in a week. He requested the MOH to arrange to send 5 dogs per day to the said dog hospital. The Corporation should not depend only on PFA & SPCA as their main function is to take care of the injured dogs.

The Additional Commissioner-I said that the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh has sterilized 5,261 dogs during last four years. He further said that the MOH wing would take necessary action to avail the facilities offered by dog hospital at Panchkula as said by Major D.S.Sandhu.

Sh. Subhash Chawla said that some breeds of dogs have been banned in Europe & USA but not in the Chandigarh and there is no specific guidelines regarding the breeds of dogs in the Dog Bye-laws. He further stated that the sterilization of dogs is not proper solution as the dogs can enter the city of Chandigarh from the adjoining cities of Mohali & Panchkula.

Major D.S.Sandhu suggested that survey of pet dogs should also be got conducted so that all such dogs could be registered. He also suggested that already passed dog bye-laws be implemented properly.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that the interest of dog lovers should also be kept in view while implementing the Dog Bye-laws.

Sh. Arun Sood said that the problem of stray dogs and pet dogs is very serious. Recently, a servant of Sh. Subhash Chawla was bitten by a pet dog of his brother and Smt. Harjinder Kaur was also bitten by a stray dog. Therefore, this problem is very serious and concrete steps should be taken to tackle it.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that some information about the MOH Department has been supplied to him which is not completed. A list of persons has been supplied to him which is without address and photographs of the persons. He further said that he had demanded that this information

be also placed before the House and download the same on the website for information of the public but the same has not been done. He further said that recently, a person who had entered the gutter to clean it, had expired due to suffocation. The matter of providing masks & gloves to the sweepers was taken up in the last meeting but the same has not been provided to them. He suggested that there should be accountability of the concerned officers for lapse in duty. He further said that there is not proper arrangement for disposal of dead animals, as a result the dead animals keeps lying on the roadside for a many days, which give foul smell.

The Commissioner said that the outsourcing company was asked to supply the photographs of the persons, which they have supplied now, the office will also supply the same to the concerned Councillors alongwith the information pertaining to financial implications.

Sh. Satinder Singh said that page 34 of the minutes, in para attributed to him, “Sector-23” should be substituted with “**Sector-22**”.

“The House confirmed the minutes of 178th meeting of the General House held on 30.03.2012 at 11.00 a.m. in the Assembly Hall of the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh, with the aforesaid mentioned amendment.”

Sh. Satinder Singh said that after confirmation of the minutes, some time should be given for question hour as per Regulations.

The Mayor assured that from next meeting, half an hour will be given for question hour after confirmation of the minutes.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Supply of copies of Building Plans sanctioned/ released and the copies of Completion Certificates issued by Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh to the Assistant Labour Commissioner, U.T. , Chandigarh to enable them to levy labour- cess @ 1% on the residents of villages over the cost of construction for their buildings.

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

Sh. Darshan Kumar said that earlier the Chandigarh Administration acquired the land of villages at cheaper rates and after that an order was issued to shift the dairies from the villages which was a setback to the farmers, who were engaged in dairy farming. Now the present agenda is a proposal to impose cess on the villagers for the building plans sanctioned in the villages. He proposed that there should not be any provision to get the building plan sanctioned for the 1st or 2nd floor of the houses already constructed in the villages. The residents of the villages should not be burdened with levying labour cess. He proposed that this agenda be rejected.

Sh. Gurcharan Dass Kala also opposed the proposal to levy any type of tax on the residents of the villages. He also proposed that there should not any provision to get the building plan sanctioned for the houses already built-up in villages.

Sh. Subhash Chawla was also against the proposal to levy cess through Labour Department as the Corporation has nothing to get any income through this tax and proposed that the Corporation should not involve in this matter and should not supply the detail of plans to the Labour Department. He said that it would be heavy burden on the residents who propose to construct houses as they have to pay 1% cess to the Labour Department. He therefore, proposed that this agenda be rejected.

Many other Councillors of both the parties also opposed the agenda strongly.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi proposed that in this agenda, it is proposed to send the detail of sanctioned building plans, so that the Labour Department could charge 1% cess from them. He proposed that the Corporation should ask the Labour Department as to what welfare scheme they would launch for the general public from the proposed cess, only then the Corporation can consider this issue.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur said that the Chandigarh Administration transferred the villages to the Corporation, but did not sanction special grant-in-aid for the development of the villages. She therefore, proposed that the Corporation should write to the Chandigarh Administration to release the special funds in bulk for the development of villages to bring them at par with the city.

Sh. Malkiat Singh said that the process of sanctioning the building plans is very lengthy and the working of the building branch is not proper, which need to be get systematic, so that the public should not be harassed. He also requested that time frame should be fixed for sanctioning of building plans.

“The House considered & unanimously rejected the agenda.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

Exemption of Service Charges for Sainik Rest House, U.T. Chandigarh.

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

“The House deferred the agenda.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

RCE for P/L 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 35 D, Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.36.45 lac for P/L 25mm thick SDBC on V-6 road in Sector 35 D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Request for the allotment of “Rent Free and Barrier Free” place to hold meetings of General Body members of the Association (Request received from Persons with Disabilities Association Chandigarh, Regd. No. 4091).

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

Sh. Surinder Bahga proposed that the Association of Persons with Disabilities, Chandigarh, be allowed to hold meeting in the Community Centre of Sector-15, Chandigarh, once in 3 months, free of cost.

“The House considered & resolved that ‘Persons with Disabilities Association, Chandigarh’ be allowed to hold meeting in the Community Centre, Sector-15, Chandigarh, once in 3 months, free of cost.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Rough Cost Estimate for recarpeting of old Ropar road Police Station to culvert, Manimajra.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.58.31 lac for recarpeting of old Ropar road Police Station to culvert, Manimajra, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

Re-boring of three nos. 12” x 8” (304.80x 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). in lieu of low discharge tubewell no. MHC-II, MHC-III & MHC – IV at modern housing complex, Manimajra, U.T. Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.91.55 lac for re-boring of three nos. 12” x 8” (304.80x 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) in lieu of low discharge tubewell no. MHC-II, MHC-III & MHC – IV at modern housing complex, Manimajra, U.T. Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Rough cost estimate for strengthening of Boundary wall including its repair & construction at S.T.Plant Diggian, Mohali- Clarification regarding Agenda Item No.4 of 172nd meeting of General House of MC.

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

Sh. Subhash Chawla said that after passing the estimates, the works are not allotted in time as a result the estimates are required to be revised as the rates of material increase by the time. He suggested that the House should debate on this issue.

The Chief Engineer clarified that earlier the agenda was approved in the month of December 2009 and the tenders were invited in the month of December 2010. Due to sudden increase in the rate of the bricks the tender for those works was at a higher side.

Sh Subhash Chawla said that DNIT was prepared for Rs 20.33lac where as at present the estimate is being prepared for Rs 41 lac. He enquired whether the rates of material have been doubled in the market in comparison to the rates available in 2009 or whether the rates of CSR have been increased. He further desired that the detail history of every agenda should be attached with it.

“The House considered & unanimously deferred the agenda.”

The House adjourned for lunch at 2.10 p.m. and reassembled at 3.00p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

News Item appeared in the “Hindustan Times” dated 27.2.2012 titled as “Civic body favoured Company”.

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

Sh. Saurabh Joshi thanked the Commissioner for sending the reply of his question in time and also placing it before the House for discussion. He said that the Engineering Department prepared the estimate for laying of M.S.Pipelines and related works for pumping and delivering of raw water from Water Works Sector 39, Chandigarh to Chandimandir Cantt on the basis of quotation submitted by the local company i.e. M/s Manchanda Steel Industries of Chandigarh @ Rs 58/- per kg. He read out the guidelines of CVC according to which prevailing market rates should have been taken into account while preparing the estimates. He raised many issues from the documents sent to him and sought clarification of the same from the officers, which were explained to him. He also pointed out that VAT has been mentioned two times in the bills submitted by the company and further said that the estimate was prepared at the higher rate i.e. Rs 58/- per Kg where as tenders were received @ Rs 36/- per Kg. He also pointed out that the company has submitted the tender @ Rs 8031/- whereas it has been mentioned as Rs 8131/- in the allotment letter. He calculated total loss amounting to Rs. 62.00 lac. He further said that it was a 20 k.m. stretch which was divided into four reaches and out of four reaches, work for three reaches was allotted to the same company. He inquired the reason to split the work in four parts, whereas after going through the documents, it can be observed that there was no urgency or time limit to split the work. As per guidelines, the work is split in parts to get it done at the shortest time period. He quoted Rule 2.77 of the PWD Code which debars allotting more than one work to the same company whereas in this case the work was split in four reaches and allotted to the same company.

The S.E.(P.H.) said that the amount was deposited by MES in four instalments and accordingly, work was allotted to the company for execution. He further clarified that it is the competency of the authority to split the work.

Sh. Saurabh Joshi said that it is a serious matter and desired that an inquiry should be conducted in this regard, so that facts could come forward.

The Chief Engineer apprised that the tenders were invited through e-tendering and it can not be known as to which companies are submitting tenders. It was a deposit work and tenders were invited as and when the MES deposited the funds with the Corporation.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur, Sh. Arun Sood & Sh. M.P.Kohli also seconded the views of Sh. Saurabh Joshi for conducting the inquiry into the matter.

The S.E.(P.H.) apprised that the estimates for this project was prepared by obtaining rates of steel from M/s Manchanda Steels, which was Rs. 58/- per kg. Then the estimate was sent to the MES for approval. The MES deposited the money in phases and accordingly the work was split in four reaches. He further clarified that though the estimate was prepared at the rate of Rs. 58/- per kg., but the tender was received @ Rs.34.69 per kg. which was the prevailing rate of the steel and it comes to Rs. 549.97 lac, which is far below to the approved DNIT amount. Similarly, all the tenders were allotted at the far below rate from the approved DNIT amount.

Sh. Subhash Chawla said that in this matter different aspects have to be looked into i.e. whether any company has been favoured or whether the provisions of CPWD Manual have been ignored. He proposed that a Committee should be constituted which would examine the CPWD Manual and the Chief Engineer should apprise the members the rights of officers prescribed in the said manual. He also requested that a copy of the CPWD manual should be supplied to the members so that they could go through it. He further suggested that a technical person outside the Corporation should also be involved in the Committee.

“The House authorized the Mayor to constitute a Committee to examine the facts of this case in detail.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Permission to execute development work within the premises of various societies Sector 48, Chandigarh.

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

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that land to the Group Housing Societies was allotted by the Chandigarh Administration in Sector-48, 49, 50 & 51. The maintenance of internal parts of the societies has so far been done by the societies themselves. The residents of these societies are voters to the election of the Corporation and they have been regularly demanding the development of inner roads, parks etc. to be taken up by the Corporation. There is no dispensary, post office, school, play ground etc. in Sector-48, which are essential for the residents. He requested that initiative should be taken to provide them basic facilities as they do not get any grant-in-aid from the Government and more than 14 years have lapsed since allotment of the land to them. He further said that an amount of Rs. 25.00 crore has been allocated in the budget for development of southern sectors which can be utilized for proper internal development of these sectors. He suggested that policies should be revised and street lights, roads should be maintained by the Corporation.

The Commissioner replied that the Municipal Corporation takes development works only on public streets, parks etc. and not on private lands. The plots of the societies have been sold as one single piece of land, which is a private property owned by the respective societies. This area is private land and responsibility for any common infrastructure inside their premises is the responsibility of the society and not of the Corporation or the Administration. As such, Corporation funds can not be used for development works within the premises of the Housing Societies.

Sh. Arun Sood read out the provisions of Section 3 of the Municipal Corporation Act and said that the Corporation should sent its views to the Chandigarh Administration for inclusion of this area as Municipal Land and to develop the area inside the plots of societies.

Sh. Subhash Chawla suggested that the Municipal Corporation should request the Chandigarh Administration to transfer the land, allotted to the societies, to the Municipal Corporation. The House should pass a resolution that the Corporation is ready to take up the land of these societies .

Sh. Davesh Moudgil was also of the view that Municipal Corporation should write to the Chandigarh Administration to transfer the land of societies to the Corporation. He also requested that other basic external facilities like school, post office, street lights should be provided in these sectors.

Sh. Rajesh Gupta said that there are Government quarters in Sector 20 & 33 and the condition of roads in this area is very pathetic. He requested that this area should also be got transferred to the Municipal Corporation, Chandigarh.

“The House considered & resolved that the matter be taken up with the Chandigarh Administration for permission and providing funds.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

RCE for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks in front of Air force houses along V-6 roads in Sector 47-A, Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.51.29 lac for providing and fixing 60mm thick paver blocks in front of Air force houses along V-6 roads in Sector 47-A, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

RCE for development of Japanese Garden at Sector 31, Chandigarh (Construction of RCC tunnel).

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

Sh. Subhash Chawla enquired as to who was funding the project, either Municipal Corporation or the Department of Tourism. He further said that as per his knowledge it was apprised to the House when this agenda was approved that the whole expenditure would be funded by the Department of Tourism.

The S.E.(B&R) apprised that an amount of Rs.426.66 lac has been received from the Department of Tourism for this project and now the Architect Department has finalized the drawings for different components of the project. He further apprised that this project was never brought before the House and this project has been approved by the Ministry of Tourism. He told that the Ministry of Tourism released an amount of Rs.426.66 lac and said that rest of the expenditure on this project would be borne by the Corporation.

Smt. Harjinder Kaur was of the view that Municipal Corporation should write to the Chandigarh Administration to release complete funds for this project.

Sh. Davesh Moudgil said that it was a good and big project which is a joint collaboration of Municipal Corporation and Ministry of Tourism. He was of the view that the estimate be approved in principle subject to conditions.

“The House considered & deferred the agenda.”

TABLE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

To increase the scope of Ward Development Fund.

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

Sh. Davesh Moudgil requested that he has submitted a table agenda regarding ward development fund which should be taken up first as he had to leave the House. He requested that the scope of the Ward Development Fund Rules be increased in the guidelines laid for this purpose. He said that the scope and area of the Ward Development Fund need to be strengthened. He proposed that a Committee be constituted which would study the guidelines for Ward Development Fund and give its recommendations to increase its scope and area which would be placed before the House for consideration.

“The House authorized the Mayor to constitute a committee to examine the guidelines of Ward Development Fund and give its recommendations.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

To provide winter uniform to the safaikaramcharies.

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

Smt. Gurbax Rawat said that sanitation is very important issue and the safaikaramcharies have not been provided uniforms since 2010. She further said that safaikaramcharies are being exploited by the contractors and recommended that gloves and masks should also be provided to them. She requested that keeping in view the demands of safaikaramcharies, the office should ensure that they should get uniforms well in time.

Smt. Heera Negi was of the view that safaikaramcharies should be provided uniforms, shoes and gloves.

Smt. Shagufta Parveen said that uniforms be provided to the safaikaramcharies. She was also of the view that a store be provided in every ward for safaikaramcharies, so that they could store their items there.

Sh. Naresh Kumar was of the view that cash payment should be given to the safaikaramcharies, so that they could purchase uniform as per their wish.

Sh. Subhash Chawla said that there are two groups of sweepers' union and one of them is demanding the uniforms whereas the another is demanding cash payment. This situation has been arising for the last 10 years. In the year, 2001, it was decided to provide uniforms to the safaikaramcharies, but the elected union protested against it and demanded cash payment and their demand was accepted. This matter was earlier considered by the Finance & Contract Committee and the Committee decided that cash payment should be given to the persons demanding cash payment and uniform be given to the others. Now this matter has again been placed before the House without any reason.

Sh. Arun Sood said that uniforms are due since 2010 and the office has already invited and allotted the tender 3 years ago and even the supplier has purchased the uniforms. He further said that as per rules, it is necessary for safaikaramcharies to wear the uniforms, then cash payment should not be given to them as nobody will purchase uniform. He further said that the matter be solved on the basis of merit and not on the basis of demand of union. In case, cash payment is given to the safaikaramcharies, the supplier of uniforms would approach the court and get stay order. He therefore, strongly recommended that uniform be provided to the safaikaramcharies.

Sh. Babu Lal said that it has not been mentioned in the agenda that tender has already been allotted. He further said that the uniform worth Rs. 700/- would not be of good quality material and therefore, this issue needs to be reconsidered.

“The House considered & authorized the Mayor to constitute a Committee to check the quality of the uniform and give its recommendations whether the uniform is upto the mark or whether cash payment is to be given to the safaikaramcharies in lieu of uniform.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

Rough cost estimate for providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 23, Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.50.61 lac for providing and laying 40mm thick bituminous concrete on V-4 road in Sector 23, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

RCE for widening and carpeting of V-6 road in Sector 18 A,B,C & D, Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.129.27 lac for widening and carpeting of V-6 road in Sector 18 A,B,C & D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

RCE for P/L 25mm thick SDBC in parking area in V-4 road, Sector 44 C&D, Chandigarh.

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

“The House considered & unanimously resolved that the estimate amounting to Rs.44.98 lac for P/L 25mm thick SDBC in parking area in V-4 road, Sector 44 C&D, Chandigarh, be and is hereby approved.”

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

Construction of 5 MGD (22.7 MLD) Sewage Treatment Plant and main pumping station(Phase-I) based on SBR technology and all other works contingent thereto along with operation and maintenance for a period of 120 months after successful completion of trial run for a period of minimum 180 days.

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

The agenda could not be discussed because of paucity of time.

“The House deferred the agenda.”

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

**Secretary,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.**

**Mayor,
Municipal Corporation,
Chandigarh.**