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Steven T. Noble
Mayor



June 26th, 2025

Honorable Andrea Shaut
President/Alderman-at-Large
Kingston Common Council
420 Broadway Kingston, NY 12401

Re: Renaming Rondout Neighborhood Center

Dear President Shaut,

On the recommendation of the City's Recreation Commission, I would like to propose that we rename the Rondout Neighborhood Center to the Albert Brown Community Center. A presentation (attached here) was given to the Recreation Commission by Mr. Brown's relatives, and I feel it provides a compelling argument by highlighting Mr. Brown's impact and contributions to the community over the years. I have also attached the recommendation letter from the Commission.

Sincerely,

Steven T. Noble
Mayor

Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center



Boxing



Albert Brown started the 1st PAL Boxing League Sponsored by the Kingston Police with Bill Costello Sr. as Boxing Instructor at the Rondout Community Center

Why

Creating an outlet for us kids from the Rondout to stay out of trouble and off the train tracks. He also started this because myself and my buddy Billy Costello wanted to learn how to fight. Look what happens, years later this young and becomes a World Boxing Champ bringing Live Sports TV to the Midtown Center



BOXING SESSION: Bill Costello, left of the bag, instructor for the boxing training classes at the Kingston Recreation Center, explains a point to Sheldon Brown. Looking on from the left, clockwise, Phil Davis, Lenny Mills, Al Brown, director of the program; Ed Brown,

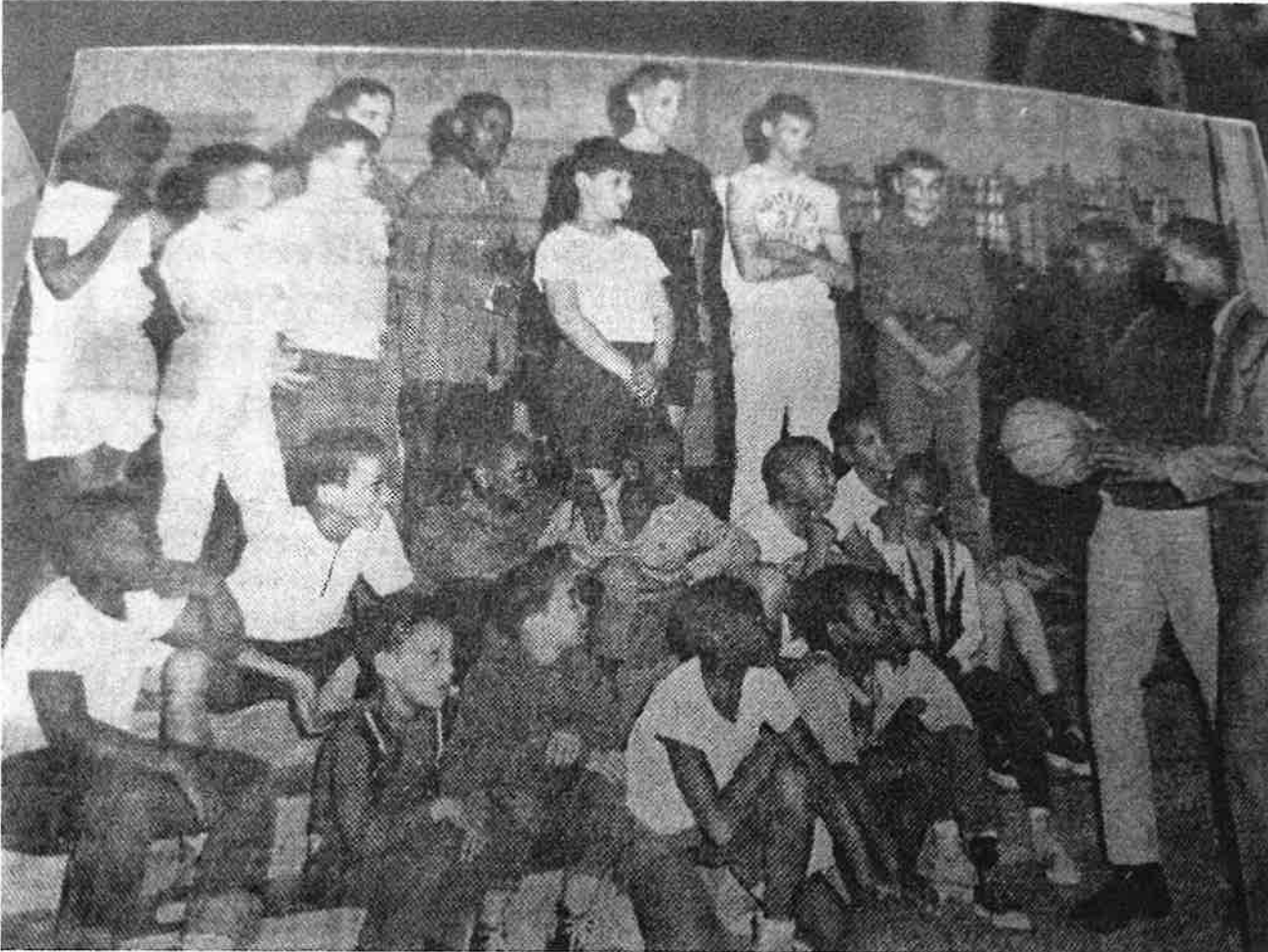
James Fitzgerald, Carl Brown, Bill Costello Jr., and Steve Costello. Anyone interested in receiving boxing lessons may attend the sessions. The program is not confined to the downtown area.
(Freeman photo by Kruh)

Location

Rondout Recreation Center Upstairs in the building owned by ASK.

Basketball

Albert Brown and Hobbie Armstrong started the 1st Biddy League in Kingston's Park & Recreation for the Kids from Downtown that did not have a Basketball court suitable to play on.



Why

Kids in the Rondout area, had the Recreation Center Next to Rehers which was Community operated, with a GYM about 40 Ft with 8 Ft Ceiling. Could not Play Basketball On at all.

Carl Brown, Billy Costello, Remo Meeks, Claude Landerway, Matthew Meeks, Mark Brown, David Meeks, Frank Marquette, Paul Worthington, Dino Meeks, basically the entire kids seated are from the Rondout.

Standing:

Hobbie Armstrong with Ball
Al Brown Welcoming Us Kids to a Real Gym
College Size with 80 ft Ceilings
Clear Fiberglass Backboards

Just Look at these Kids Faces..

Location

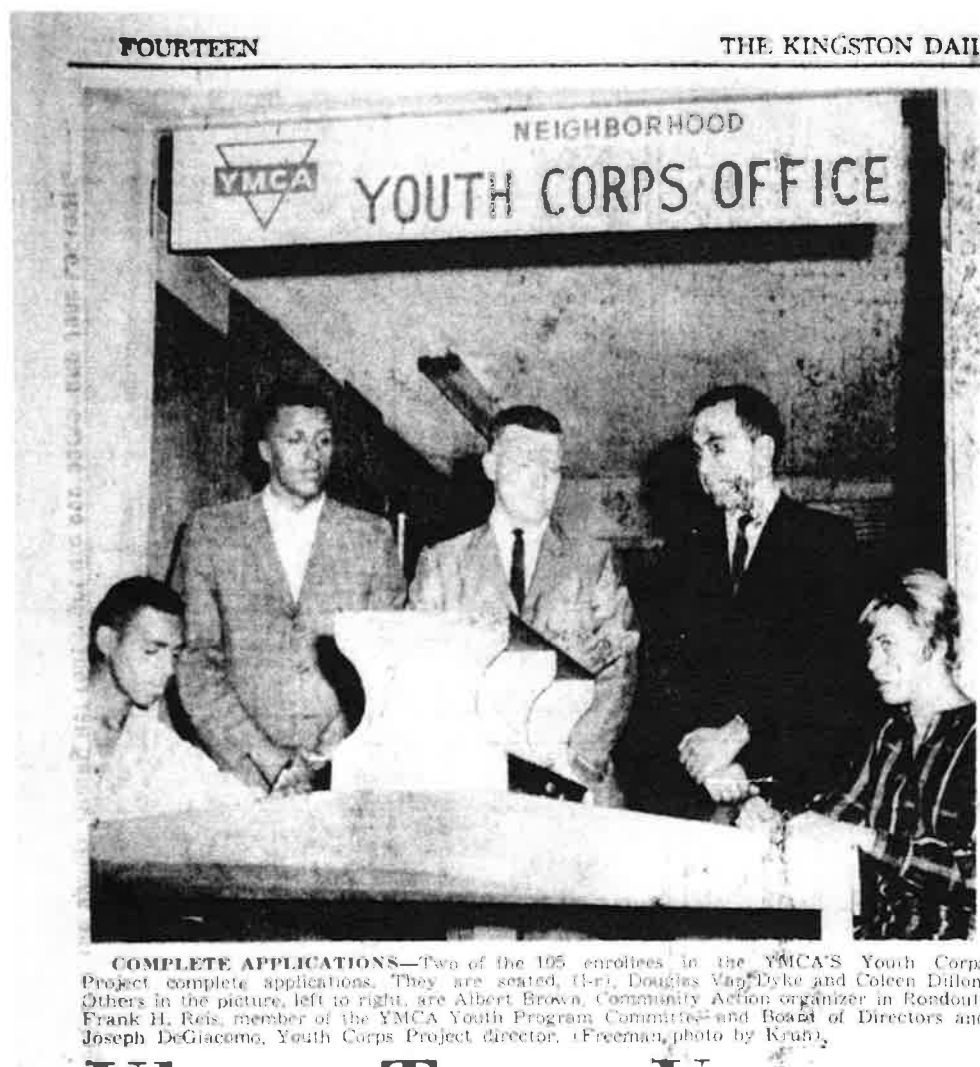
Midtown Center at Kingston's Parks & Recreation GYM



Youth Jobs

Albert Brown Ulster County Community Action Outreach Organizer

Worked with YMCA Youth Corps to create 105 Jobs for Youth in the Rondout



Why

Kids in the Rondout were not given the opportunity to participate with the Youth Corps that was designed for All Youth.

Douglas VanDyke, Coleen Dillion

Standing:

Al Brown Overseeing 2 Enrollees
Frank Reis YMCA Youth Program Committee
Joe DeGiacomo Youth Corps Project Director

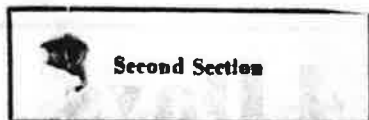
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Kingston's YMCA in Midtown Kingston

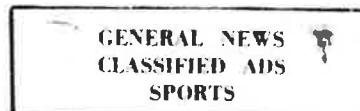
Teenage Activities



**Albert Brown Ulster County Community Action Outreach Organizer
Worked with Andy Murphy Kingston Parks Rec Super to Plan more Sports & Tournaments for Rondout Area Teenagers**



The Kingston Daily Freeman



CITY OF KINGSTON, N. Y., WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 28, 1967

TWENTY-THREE



SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM—Members of the Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc. met with city recreation commission officials at the Rondout Center on 58 Broadway to discuss summer programs for youth in that area. Programs have been set up in various sports and tournaments are planned. Participants included, seated (l-r) Richard J. Davis Rondout recreation program director; Andrew J. Murphy III, city recreation superintendent and Albert Brown, organizer for the community Action Committee. Standing, (l-r) Peter Mancuso, John Ricks and Lorraine Longendyke, neighborhood aids and Charles A. Ryan. (Freeman photo by Wagenföhr)

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Many Activities Planned For Rondout Area Teeners

The Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc., is actively pursuing a recreation program for children and teenagers in the Rondout area for this summer. Activities are planned in the areas of softball, swimming, basketball, volleyball and tennis. Post-season tournaments have also been discussed.

These programs will be in addition to programs currently in operation by the city recreation commission. A Youth Committee was selected with the following members: JoAnn Brodhead, Lorraine Longendyke, Dorreen Rossa, Mark Toney, Diana McDonald, Steve Riddick and Clifford Mathis.

The youth committee will plan and set up programs. Heston, Block and Cornell meet with Richard Davis, director of the summer youth program, along with Albert Brown, community organizer. The program has the use of way.

Accord, Ridge Churches Merge

Two area Methodist Churches periodically since 1961. In December Martin as their members of draw up and mailed to all members of the two churches the committee. out Valley Methodist Church involved, appointed a committee. In April this committee re-Monday, June 12 the congregations and plans are underway for the construction of a new building. The construction of a new building.

The Accord church, whose merger would be a feasible and Osborne, district superintendent. Merger was approved by congregations of Accord and Stone Ridge churches earlier this month and will go into effect July 2. Election of church officers will take place Thursday.

Trustees previously elected to serve the new congregation are Raymond Lawrence, Oliver Bogart, Jack Van Newkirk.

Extra Interest Days!

**Seated: Richard Davis - Rondout Rec Director,
Andy Murphy - Kingston Parks & Rec Super,
Albert Brown Ulster Community Action Outreach Organizer**

Standing: Peter Mancuso, John Ricks, Lorraine Longendyke, Charles A. Ryan

Why

Albert Brown a Police Patrolman wanted to keep kids busy and out of trouble by staying active. Unfortunately Al Brown Lost his Life just 4 months after this picture was taken in a fatal Car Accident on Rt. 9W

Kingston's Rondout Community Center

Housing Discrimination

***Albert Brown was the President of C.O.R.E. - Congress Of Racial
Equality Calls on Mayor to help combat Housing Discrimination***



DISCUSS DISCRIMINATION — Local Congress of Racial Equality President Albert Brown, left, and Mayor Raymond H. Garraghan met this week in the Mayor's office to discuss alleged discrimination in Kingston. Special emphasis was placed on alleged discrimination in housing and jobs in the area against negroes. The mayor said he would help CORE to fight discrimination in the city and make it a place where all races could live and work on an equal basis. (Freeman photo by Knut).

Why

Albert Brown has witnessed Discrimination in Housing as he setup a Black Couple to Inquire about a Rental to be rejected and then send a White Couple to the same place hours later and be Accepted. He tried to work with Mayor Raymond Garraghan who disagrees about Racism in Kingston when shown facts.

Years After this Photo and Al Brown was Killed, Urban Removal Happens and this Mayor renames Meadow Street where Al Brown's father was Born and Raised on 10 Meadow St. to Garraghan Dr.

Location

Kingston's Mayors Meeting Room next to the Mayor's Office

Education 1st Head Start



Albert Brown setup the 1st Head Start Program from community action in the Basement of our St. Marks on Wurts St & Spring St.



**Head
Start**

Why

Kids in the Black and poor White community where years behind in reading skills than kids in the schools of all White Neighborhoods.

Location

St. Marks AME African Methodist Episcopal Church on Wurts St & Spring St.

Patrolman of the Year



POLICEMAN OF YEAR — Raymond F. Myers, president of Kingston Kiwanis Club, presents plaque to Patrolman Albert Brown of Kingston Police Department, honoring him as Policeman of 1966. Also on hand for the presentation Thursday at Gov. Clinton Hotel were left, Police Commissioner Henry P. Eighmey and Police Chief Robert F. Murphy. (Freeman photo by Wagentohr.)

Name Brown Policeman Of Year

Patrolman Albert Brown of the Kingston Police Department has been named "Policeman of The Year," it was announced today by Police Commissioner Henry P. Eighmey, chairman of the selection committee which included Police Chief Robert F. Murphy, Deputy Chief Graver S. Haffay, President Kenneth Radel of the Kingston Patrolmen's Association and Detective Charles McCullough.

Kiwanis Plans Fete

Officer Brown will be honored by the Kingston Kiwanis Club Thursday, Nov. 10. He will be presented with a plaque by Raymond F. Myers, president of the Kiwanis Club.

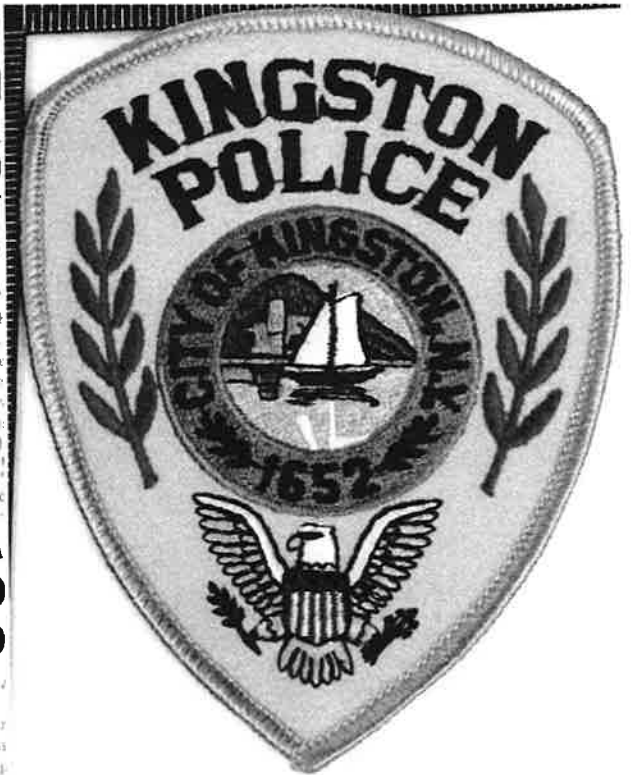
John R. Warren, chairman of the program for the local service club, said a group of police department citations also will be awarded at the Kiwanis luncheon by Kingston's Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan.

Warren pointed out that the Kiwanis Club instituted the selection of "Policeman of The Year" some years ago, and on this occasion all off-duty men of the police department and the Police Commissioners are luncheon guests of the service club.

Patrolman Albert Brown, son of the well-known Ezekiel "Wildcat" Brown, will also receive the departmental Gold Valor award for the apprehension at 23rd point of two men caught in the act of burglary on Broadway on October 10, 1966. The Kingston Freeman account of the event which brought the honor to Brown stated:

"Broken glass and a gun shot broke the early morning calm of Kingston at 1:20 a.m. today as a Kingston policeman thwarted an apparent attempt to burglarize."

Hentel said at his news conference...



Governor Clinton Hotel Broadway

Kiwanis Club President - Raymond Meyers

Police Commissioner - Henry Eighmey

Police Chief - Robert Murphy

Mayor - Article says Mayor Garraghan was suppose to be presenting this Award of Valor to Albert Brown, but obviously was Missing

Location

Anti-Poverty

Albert Brown as the Ulster County Community Action Organizer Learning what Government Programs are available to Help the RONDOUT

CAC Delegates Are Attending Institute

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — Both Albert Brown, community organizer and Jenny Krevolin, social and economic planner of the Ulster County Community Action Committee, Inc., are taking part in a week-long (Sept. 12-16) orientation at the Community Action Institute here.

The program at the institute, which is sponsored by the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity, is part of a nationwide orientation and training plan for personnel of community-action (anti-poverty) agencies, OEO regional personnel, and staff members of state technical-assistance offices.

The sessions are designed to bring supervisory staff members up to date on OEO developments and includes summaries of past activities, current developments and likely new programs.

The institute here is the OEO's training center for New England and New York State. In preparation for this week's sessions, Frank Logue, director and other institute staff members have attended briefing sessions in Washington and at OEO regional headquarters in New York City.

Subjects to be covered include manpower, health, education of the disadvantaged, neighborhood centers, evaluation, OEO legislation, and relations with the OEO regional office.

Why

Learning about Federal Grants & Guidelines offered to Non Profit Agencies - Remember this is before the Computer & Internet & Cell Phones.

Location

New Haven, Conn



Taking Action / Improving Lives

Rondout Community Action Committee

tions, which is 5 p. m. today.

Group to Air Rondout Woes

Rondout area problems are to be discussed by committees named at a recent meeting to air them, it was announced today.

One on manpower will aid in seeking employment and another will assist in planning a daytime care center for children.

Albert Brown, Rondout community organizer, announced "a great deal of concern" at the meeting over housing problems, and said he was told by many there that they "were very upset over conditions of apartments they live in and that many of these have rats, roaches and many other health hazards."

The meeting was held in the Recreation Center, lower Broadway, and Brown emphasized that Neighborhood Service Center was in operation for use of the people and that over 200 families had received services there.

He emphasized that it was up to the people to bring their complaints to his office at 58 Broadway. The office, he said can only operate by impetus of the people themselves getting together in committees.

Committees other than those named are being formed, and those interested may telephone 331-9464.

Closing of the Cornell Fire Station was also discussed. This was emphasized as a problem because many structures in the area are considered fire hazards. He proposed organized effort to get it reopened.

Another meeting of area residents is to be held April 17.

Seek New Aide At Action Center

Already bustling with activity the Rondout Neighborhood Center, the local Community Action facility at 58 Broadway, is beginning the search for a worker to help Albert Brown, Community Organizer of the Center with the ringing telephone and the questions, questions, questions which have been pouring in since the Center opened unofficially last week. A formal Grand Opening is planned in the near future.

The new staff member will be a Neighborhood Aide and he or she must be a resident of the area and know the community well. Most important he should be sensitive to the needs, the problems, and the aspirations of the people the Center serves. Being able to gain the confidence of the residents and enlist their cooperation in the many programs being planned to aid them will be an important factor in the choice of the new staff member, it was stressed.

Albert Brown created the Rondout Community Action Committee to help relocate the soon to be displaced people of Urban Renewal to Public Housing & Rentals within Kingston.

Ron Woods was on the Albert Brown Committee to Name the newly built Rec Center after Albert Brown.

Common Council over Mayor's Veto

might veto it.

FEBRUARY

Efforts are being made by the Rondout Community Action Committee to name the proposed \$193,000 Rondout Recreation Center after Patrolman Albert Brown, killed in a crash last year.

Feb. 6 — The YMCA's \$1,860,000 campaign was launched.

Feb. 16 — Kingston's new police chief Francis J. Fagan said he planned no big reorganization of the department "at the moment."

Feb. 19 — Mayor Garraghan told the Freeman he will recommend the dropping of the two per cent sales tax if the county adopts a similar tax.

Feb. 22 — Tranquility Farms, an Ulster Park poultry establishment was ordered by

March 25 — Shock and criticism followed a county Democratic parley at which a pro-peace slate for the national convention sought and was not able to gain recognition.

March 26 — By 15th delegate votes, Peter J. Savago won over H. Clark Bell in a contest for the state GOP assembly nomination.

APRIL

April 2 — H. Clark Bell today announced he will oppose Savago in the primary.

April 3 — The Common Council overrode Mayor Garraghan's veto of the proposed Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center by a 10-2 vote.

April 9 — Kingston firemen agreed to withdraw their pickets from City Hall pending talks with the Common Council

Common Council over Mayor's Veto

The Al Brown Center, Mayor's Veto Beaten

By HUGH REYNOLDS

The Common Council overrode Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan's veto of the proposed Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center in Rondout last night by a 10-3 vote. The center has now been officially named.

A poll was also taken among the aldermen concerning a letter from the mayor in which Garraghan wrote that he had called four councilmen March 6 and (Garraghan wrote) "they could not give an answer" as to why they voted for the Brown Memorial. When asked if Garraghan had, in fact, called them, 11 aldermen said no. Alderman Joseph Epstein (D-Sixth Ward) was the only one who said Garraghan had called him.

The mayor today said he still felt the aldermen passed the Brown legislation "for political reasons." When asked about the vote on his telephone calls, Garraghan said, "I called four of them and in their hearts they know who they are."

Action came swiftly on the mayor's veto with Epstein making the motion to override it and



MAYOR GARRAGHAN

Clifford Sinsabaugh (D-Fifth Ward) seconding. The two votes against it were from John Naccarato (R-Third Ward) and Frank Jablonski (R-Fourth Ward).

Naccarato said he didn't understand the resolution when he voted for it in March. He said he thought the resolution called for the placing of a plaque in memory of Brown in the proposed building.

Jablonski, one of the strongest supporters of the Brown resolution last month, said he had polled "200" residents of his ward and found "135 against the resolution, 40 neutral and 25 in favor." He said the people had nothing against Brown, former city policeman and Rondout community organizer killed in a car accident last year, they just didn't want the building named after one man. This was the reason Garraghan said he vetoed the measure.

Sinsabaugh considered the mayor's letter a "direct insult." "When I have to vote on any measure because of political reasons, I'll resign," he said.

Epstein termed Jablonski's survey "poppycock" and said that by voting against the resolution to override the veto the alderman would be upholding the mayor's charge that they



ALBERT BROWN

didn't know what they were doing in March.

Edward Norton (D-Seventh Ward) said basically the same thing. "Somebody got to them and now they're voting against it. They're upholding the mayor," he said.

Machione Votes 'Yes'

John Machione (R-12th Ward) recalling Council action on the Hess Apartment issue in his ward, said "one hundred, seventy five people from my ward didn't even get a tumble from these guys (the Council) but I'm a better man. I'll vote for it."

In other action, the Council moved to accept a \$720,493 grant from New York State as its share of the Uptown Urban Renewal Project. The other ur-

ban renewal business, approval of a parking garage on North Front Street, did not come up.

The Council also approved a \$29,000 bond request by the Recreation Department to build bath houses at Kingston Point and a new cage for the bear at Forsyth Park along with equipment for other city parks. A rider was attached to that bill calling for the repair of storm sewers on North Street.

An agreement between IBM and the Kingston Lab for co-operation on research conducted by the lab with IBM's facility was officially approved. Three aldermen, Robert Schantz (R-Second Ward), Joseph Conlin (D-11th Ward) and Machione, asked to be excused from voting since they are employees of IBM. There is no money involved between the lab and IBM.

Approval Granted

The Kingston Housing Authority request for approval of its \$700,000 contract to construct 32 units of senior citizen housing on Flatbush Avenue was approved. The original estimate had been \$524,000. Once again, no city funds are involved.

A request from the police department for more than \$9,000 in equipment, including two new police cars, was referred to the Finance, Ways and Means Committee.

Ulster Street was returned to its former status as a two-way street as was North Wilbur Avenue.

Mrs. Florence Shea Ludlow (D-First Ward) requested benches at the bus stops Up-town for senior citizens and a fountain in Academy Green. That was also referred to committee.

on--New Trophies

At a towering 80 per cent Republican vote to showing in New's opening primary ago. He had no real either race. Her vice president howing proved that ill be in the Republic when the White

Johnson 241,866 or 33 per cent.

Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, the rival McCarthy, will have to overcome if he is to be nominated, drew 6 per cent of the votes. But those were write-in votes, for his name was not on the ballot. And Kennedy had urged that people who favor

49,668, or 11 per cent, habitual candidate Harold E. Stassen 27,281, or 6 per cent.

With that victory, Nixon captured 30 Wisconsin votes at the Republican national convention. McCarthy won 17 Democratic votes with his state-wide victory, and another 32 by carrying eight congressional districts.

Bid for Proposed \$365,268 Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center Approved by Kingston City Common Council, according to the Kingston City Clerk who works for the Mayor.

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Bid Advertising Due Soon on Al Brown Rec Center

By HUGH REYNOLDS
The city of Kingston will advertise for bids on the proposed \$365,268 Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center in Rondout within ten days, according to City Clerk Thomas R. Lyle.

Cost Goes Up
Lyle told The Freeman today that preliminary plans have been completed by the ar-

chitects, Pomerance and Breines of New York City and the project is ready for bid. The estimated cost of the two-story concrete block building has risen substantially since plans were first disclosed almost two years ago. At that time it was estimated that the building would cost a total of \$290,268. However, there appears to be sufficient funds to cover the cost of the building, if it can be built for \$365,000. The federal government, through the Department of Housing and Urban Development, has allotted \$193,512 for the project; the Kingston Housing Authority has pledged \$75,000 and the city has approved a bond issue for \$97,000, which adds up to more than \$367,000 for the project.

New Gymnasium

The recreation center will contain offices for the housing authority, recreation department and the human rights commission. In addition there will be areas set aside for senior citizens and youths and a gymnasium which, according to the preliminary plans, will measure 50 by 60 feet.

The recreation center, or rather, the naming of it after a Kingston police officer killed in an auto crash in West Park



ALBERT BROWN

Red Cross Cautions Drivers

In an effort to help lower the number of deaths from auto accidents over the Labor Day weekend, the American Red Cross recently issued a list of safety precautions and some direct and immediate fire decisions.

last year led to a season of controversy this spring. The Kingston City Council meeting on March 21 approved a resolution in which Mayor Joseph Broderick, 40 South Ward, named the center after Albert Brown, the police officer and former Rondout Community Action organizer. However, Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan vetoed the measure, stating that he was not going to name a building after one man. This led members of the Al Brown Memorial Committee, led by Joseph Van Dyke, to picket city hall and stage a sit-down in the police union office. Garraghan was not in the building at the time, but Alderman at Large, Dr. Robert

Gallagher, city hall, met in April 1964, overruling with the police officers and Garraghan. The vote was 10-7 with John Hart and the mayor.

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After the meeting, the mayor requested, somewhat, stating he would be in favor of placing a plaque in the building and vesting the possibility of the Brown's name on it in addition to purchasing the academy of St. to other outstanding citizens in Kingston on Grove Street and the community.

The Council acted swiftly at center. The mayor, however,

would not confirm those reports, expected until the spring and officials say the opening of completion is seen about a year. The recreation center is still later, or early 1970, the project will in the future. Even with will be under the supervision the acceptance of bids as early of the Kingston Housing as October, construction is not Authority.

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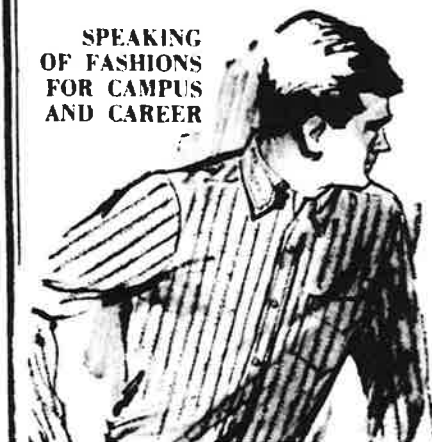
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Mayor Garaghan Holds up Federal Funds for Building Named After Albert Brown

City Hall Bids This July, Ray Says

By HUGH REYNOLDS

KINGSTON
Mayor Raymond W. Garra-
ghan addressed a meeting of
the Rondout Advisory Board
Thursday night and said he ex-
pected construction on a new
city hall Downtown to begin in
August and completed by Jan-
uary, 1970.

the Roundout Board, Garraghan said he expected to have final plans for a city hall to accommodate a projected Kingston population of 50,000, completed by July and ready for bid.

Garraghan added that he would need nine votes from the Common Council to approve a bond issue for the construction

Garraghan will journey by bus to Oneida on Friday with a number of aldermen to inspect that city's new city hall, built at a cost of slightly more than \$800,000, with some 42,000 square feet of space.

received "verbal approval" of a \$387,000 code enforcement program for the old Fifth and Tenth Wards. The Common Council approved that program in August of last year.

The program is mostly federally financed and provides for funds to upgrade homes in the code enforcement area with

There was also a lengthy discussion on the proposed Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center, construction of which has been stalled due to a reported lack of funds. Garraghan pointed out that the low bid for the project was \$441,000, some

promised \$193,000 for the facility and the city is committed to a \$6,000. The Kingston Housing Authority had promised \$25,000 and has since withdrawn that money to build its own facility in which it needs in the immediate future.

ing and try to build it for that," Irving Bell, Kingston's director of Human Relations, spoke eloquently and said that "as a citizen, I'm no stronger than its weak, its lost folk, the city of Kingston is no stronger than its weakest. It really is."

So keys to the rebuilding of downtown Kingston, a new city hall and a supermarket with acres around it.

Said Bell: "It seems to me that a supermarket chain that might be thinking of locating in Seaboard East could very easily have second thoughts about it if the people of Kingston do."

According to a report by Joseph Babiurz, a member of

of the new hall. The Council approved \$35,000 for the pur-

The mayor also told the Rondout meeting that he has

loans and outright grants
Streets and sewage facilities

The federal government has

board recommended to Garza
than that he redesign the bridge a

colored ink at the chair. Bell
sorted. He said there were

8. State with confidence, in writing, why this Director?

Ron Woods chairman of the Liberal Party comments. Mayor Garraghan Held up the Department of Housing & Urban Development funding to Construct a building because of Al Brown's Name being on the Building..



Liberal Leader Shows Concern



KINGSTON Center in the urban renewal center would give our boys and girls that chance. It would be were appropriated for the provide wholesome fun for their at project. We are deeply con leisure time, healthful outlets for ti cerned as to why there is some their excess energy, proper re type of delay in constructing the instruction and the opportunity. W recreation complex. There has to acquire useful hobbies and a not been any report given to to learn skills and handicrafts, a the public on this matter and "Kingston has a challenging th we would like to know what opportunity for service in the sl phase this project is now in years to come and we ask that

Brown was a Kingston police officer and Rondout neighborhood organizer who was killed in an automobile accident in October 1967. The Common Council voted to name the building after him several months later and overrode subsequently Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan's veto of the legislation.

Woods said, "In 1967, the m a y o r , Kingston Housing Authority, Common Council and federal government all went on record as favoring the con struction of a new Recreation Center in the urban renewal area of our city and the funds girls that chance. It would be project. We are deeply con leisure time, healthful outlets for ti cerned as to why there is some their excess energy, proper re type of delay in constructing the instruction and the opportunity. W recreation complex. There has to acquire useful hobbies and a not been any report given to to learn skills and handicrafts, a the public on this matter and "Kingston has a challenging th we would like to know what opportunity for service in the sl phase this project is now in years to come and we ask that

"Certainly there must be all candidates for public office fi some problems that have slow that they are ready to d developed and we must attempt meet that challenge. The new b to analyze the possible recreation center will repay its ti solutions. We believe the Al most many times over in e Brown Recreation Center would building good citizens. We b be of great significance for the cannot close a doorway through w welfare and progress of the which a growing child can be c urban renewal area and of the made aware that there is in a city. We are fortunate interest sympathy and a friendly w Kingston in that the great interest. This is why we include w majority of our youngsters are the construction of the new n good boys and girls and they recreation center as a part of t deserve every opportunity to our city program for the coming u remain so. A new recreat on year." Woods concluded. (a

Garraghan Then goes backdoor from the Common Council & Slyly convinces people to put up a Plaque for Albert Brown

by Kruh,

Legal Action Looms On the Rondout Name

By CHARLES BERMPOHL

Legal recourse appears to be the next step in resolving the controversy growing out of naming the proposed Rondout Recreation Center.

Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan, who vetoed the Common Council resolution to name the new center in honor of Al bert Brown, met with members of the Al Brown Memorial Com mittee and newsmen this morn ing. Brown, Kingston patrolman and former director of the Rondout Community Action Com mittee, was killed in a car accident last year.

The meeting broke up at 11 a. m. after a decision to investi gate the legality of naming a recreation center after an in dividual.

Council Move First
Procedure would be for the

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Common Council, which passed the resolution 13-6 on Tuesday to go to Corporation Counsel Aaron E. Klein for legal opin ion. The council could then go as high as the state supreme court for a definitive ruling.

Present at the meeting in ad dition to newsmen and the Mayor were Seventh Ward Al derman Edward Norton, and members of the Al Brown Me morial Committee which in cluded Joseph Van Dyke, Leon ard Van Dyke, Garry Bassett, and Peter Falvey. Also attend ing was the Rev. S. B. Chap man, pastor of the St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

Mayor Garraghan claimed that "my decision (to veto the naming of the Rondout Recrea tion Center after Patrolman Al bert Brown) has nothing to do with Al Brown, white people or black people."

Questions Council Rights

The mayor said that the com mon council in his opinion had no legal right to pass the reso lution which he vetoed. He said "I know there are some people in this town who don't like black people, but it is improving. Re lations are improving."

Committee member Falvey

declared that "Al Brown can be a token. It is a cheap price to pay for good community re la tions."

Leonard Van Dyke claimed that he did not believe there were any big racial problems in Kingston, "but when this came up, well, we'll have a hot summer here. How can we stop it."

Garraghan claimed "we may be off on the wrong hook." The building may never be built." The mayor said that the build ing may cost \$50,000 to \$125,000, over original estimates of \$193, 000.

Mayor Garraghan said "I was so mad when (Alderman-at-Large T. Robert) Gallo and (Thomas R.) Lyle told me about this I walked out of the office." Lyle is city clerk and city Democratic chairman.

Falvey said that "the black people of Kingston may not un derstand your legal point." Gar raghan replied "we all have to live by the law. The common council didn't know what it was doing and anyway I am the greatest vetoer who ever sat in this chair."

'Called Cheap Trick'

Alderman Norton claimed that Garraghan's comments were "a cheap political trick." Later Norton said the council will work 100 per cent with the mayor and he has been told this adding that the common council did in fact know what it was doing.

Yesterday a meeting of Al Brown memorial committee members and Stanley Leyden, executive director of the Ulster County Community Action Com mittee resulted in that group's endorsement of the proposed memorial to Brown.

In a statement issued today, Leyden said "we ordinarily would prefer not to become di rectly involved. But certain public innuendoes compel us to set the record straight regard ing . . . the appropriateness of naming the proposed new down town facility for him."

Brown's many activities on behalf of the Rondout area as community organizer were cited as well as his personal and of ficial activities during the sum mer of 1967 to help the city avoid some of the problems that other urban areas experienced.

He urged further considera tion of city authorities in nam ing the center in memory of Brown.

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Mayor Garraghan Comes up with the Lie About the Department of Housing & Urban Development Rules & Regulations

Fact: The Department of Housing & Urban Development only Monitor's and Funds Programs designed to Help People/Organizations

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Call in HUD Official On Recreation Center

By HUGH REYNOLDS

KINGSTON

Mrs. Lois Alexander, director of neighborhood facilities for the Department of Housing and Urban Development in New York City, will preside at a public meeting, Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the Rondout Recreation Center, 97 Broadway to answer questions on the proposed Albert Brown Recreation Center.

Mrs. Alexander has had two meetings with Mayor Francis R. Koenig within the last month on the proposed recreation center in Broadway East but area residents have asked the mayor for a first hand report from the DHUD director of neighborhood facilities.

The mayor met with Rondout residents on Aug. 18, the day before he went to New York City to confer with Mrs. Alexander on the recreation facility. At the time, Koenig told the residents that the city did not have enough money to build a complete center, as planned, which would have included a day care center, senior citizen center, game rooms, meeting rooms and a gymnasium. He told some 40 persons at the Rondout Community Center at 11 Broadway that the building would have to be built in two phases, with the gymnasium to be built in the second stage.

Koenig explained that the city originally had about \$365,000 committed to the facility; \$193,000 from the federal government, \$75,000 from the Kingston Housing Authority and a \$96,000 city bond issue.

Bids opened in September of 1968 came in almost a \$100,000

over estimates, the mayor since early spring. In fact, when subsequently, the housing the Common Council approved authority withdrew its \$75,000, the New York State Urban Development Corporation's request for a 190-unit apartment complex below St. Mary's in Broadway East in May, the mayor attempted to attach the recreation center as a rider to the project. He was unsuccessful in that attempt but was told by UDC that it would seriously consider his request for state funds for the recreation center.

There has been some skepticism expressed by Rondout residents on the mayor's statement (from DHUD) that the building could not be named after Albert Brown, late police officer (policeman of the year in 1967) and Rondout Community organizer who was killed in an auto crash in 1967.

The mayor told the residents that DHUD rules state that no building built with federal funds can be named after any individual. The Common Council officially named the building the Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center in April of 1968.

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The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is a federal agency responsible for national housing policies and programs, focusing on improving communities, ensuring fair housing, and addressing homelessness, with the overarching goal of creating decent homes and suitable living environments for all Americans.

Here's a more detailed breakdown of HUD's role:

- **National Housing Policy and Programs:**

HUD develops and implements federal policies and programs related to housing, including affordable housing, homeownership, and rental assistance.

- **Community Development:**

HUD works to strengthen communities through economic development, infrastructure improvements, and other initiatives that promote sustainable and vibrant neighborhoods.

- **Fair Housing:**

HUD enforces fair housing laws, ensuring that all individuals have equal access to housing opportunities, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability.

- **Homelessness Prevention and Assistance:**

HUD plays a key role in addressing homelessness through programs that provide housing assistance, supportive services, and prevention efforts.

- **Disaster Relief:**

HUD assists communities in recovering from natural disasters by providing housing assistance and other resources.

- **Specific Programs:**

HUD administers various programs, including:

- **Public Housing:** Provides affordable housing for low-income families.
- **Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program:** Provides rental assistance to low-income families.
- **Homeownership Programs:** Helps individuals purchase homes through loans and other assistance programs.
- **Community Development Block Grants (CDBG):** Provides funding to states and local governments for community development projects.

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Plaque to Eulogize Brown

Rec Center Dedication Set

By HUGH REYNOLDS

KINGSTON

The late Albert Brown, a Kingston police officer, will be eulogized at a memorial dinner at the Walnut Grove Feb. 25 where a plaque in his memory will be presented to his parents.

Three days later, on the 28th, formal dedication of the building synonymous with Brown's name, the Rondout Recreation Center on Broadway and Spring Street, will be dedicated by city officials.

The Rondout Recreation Center, in fact, at one time was named after the police officer who was killed in an auto accident in West Park in October of 1967. The Common Council, early in 1968, officially named the building The Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center but the legislation was vetoed by former Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan. The Council overrode Garraghan's veto only to find out that federal law does not allow the naming of a building built with federal funds after any individual.

Instead, a plaque in Brown's

memory will be hung in the lobby of the new building which has been open for about three months.

Brown was named Policeman of the Year by the Kingston Kiwanis Club in 1966 for his heroic action in thwarting a burglary at Spada's Sport Shop on Broadway. He later became the first Rondout community organizer under the OEO program.

The plaque, memorializing the late Mr. Brown will feature a likeness of him in his police uniform along with the names of the members of the Rondout Community Action Advisory Board now in office.

Mrs. Ellen Terry, of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, who worked with Brown in 1966-67, will be the guest speaker along with Al Blackwell, former director of relocation for HUD.

The Rev. James Childs of St. Clara Church of God and Christ will present the plaque with the Rev. Jesse W. Kitchen, pastor of the New Central Baptist Church, serving as master of ceremonies.

Alderman at Large T. Robert Gallo will represent Mayor Francis R. Koenig who will be unable to attend. The entire Common Council also has been invited. Other guests include the Rev. James Veatch, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church; the Rev. John J. Gilmore, chairman of the city human relations commission; Larry E. Kithcart, an Ulster County legislator from the city; Everette Hodge, president of the Ulster County Branch of the NAACP; Lou Grimaldi, executive director of the Ulster County Community Action Committee; Julius M. Glassman, Kingston police chief; the Rev. James Priest, pastor of the Progressive Baptist Church, who was chairman of the Rondout Advisory Board when Brown was active, and Sam Wilson of Gage Street, current president of the board.

The \$285,000 Rondout Recreation Center will be dedicated on Feb. 28 with the unveiling of a plaque listing city officials who were in office when ground was broken for the building in May of 1971.

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Facts: There's no Federal Law, Policy, Conflict of Interest that prohibits naming a Federally Funded Building after someone.

Facts: The Kingston City Common Council voted on a building

Facts: The Albert Brown Recreation Center construction was delayed not to put Albert Brown's name on the building.

Facts: The Kingston City Common Council did their Job. It was the Mayor of Kingston that did not follow thru with the Kingston City Common Council.

Protest by the Community in which this Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center is being built for

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CITY OF KINGSTON, N. Y., THURSDAY EVENING, MARCH 7, 1968



PROTESTORS FLOCK TO THE CITY HALL

(Reynolds photo)

Ray Hits Back Defends the

By HUGH REYNOLDS

Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan today lashed out at the Common Council for its naming the Rondout Recreation Center after the late Albert Brown. He charged, "they did it to spite me. There's people in that council who hope I'll get so mad I'll quit."

The Council approved the measure 13-0 at its regular Tuesday night meeting. Garraghan vetoed it yesterday morning, saying he would not name a public building after anyone. Yesterday afternoon, city hall was picketed by 30 persons protesting Garraghan's veto. After marching in front of the hall, the pickets staged a sit-down in Garraghan's outer office.

Last night, about half of the 30 persons who had picketed city hall, marched in front of Garraghan's home at 212 Fair Street for an hour.

The picketing was orderly, and for the most part, quiet, with occasional shouts of "Al Brown Memorial Now."

The proposed Rondout Recreational Center will be built in Broadway East near Rondout Gardens which is now under

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The project will cost \$364,000 with the city's share \$86,000, the housing authority's share \$75,000 and the federal government's share \$103,000.

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Mayor Gives a Warning to the Kingston City Common Council and Basically tells the City his idea is for a Plaque, Never Mind what the Common Council Voted On.. Sound Familiar



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Motion Approved

A motion to have the town constable check any violations of the junkyard ordinance in the Town of Rosendale and to follow up and prosecute any violators found was approved by all members of the board.

Justice Raymond LeFever abstained from voting because a charge is still pending in his court against a town junk dealer.

Prior to the motion, lengthy discussion was held concerning whether or not Tyler's Junkyard has a license to conduct business.

Trailer and land use ordinances, dog problems and new quarters for a town hall occupied the balance of the three and one-half hour meeting, attended by about 20 persons.

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Yesterday's picketing began at 3:15 p. m. with about four pickets led by Joseph Van Dyke. He carried a sign which read, "Al Brown Memorial, Now." The ranks of the picketers swelled as students from Kingston High School, both white and black, joined the march.

At 3:30 p. m. the pickets marched into Garraghan's outer office and staged a sit-down. Peter Falvey of Fair Street, a candidate for Kingston Human Relations Executive Director; Gary Bassett of Albany Avenue Extension and Mrs. Leonard Van Dyke of Stuyvesant Street,

Trapped Miners

Little Hope, Some Pessimism



CALUMET, La. (AP) — Two rescue experts rode a creaky, makeshift elevator 1,200 feet down a murky shaft early today to an area where 21 salt miners had been trapped more than 30 hours. They found a fair supply of oxygen and heard a motor running.

"There is some reason to be encouraged, some to be discouraged," said F. Clayton Tonnemaker, a vice president of Car-gill, Inc., owners of the coastal salt mine. "The men did not see anyone, saw no lights, heard no (human) sounds."

Tonnemaker said the fact the two troubleshooters heard a diesel motor running was encouraging because of the fact it could not run unattended more than 30 hours—and the men had

placed a protective cover over the small elevator. On the first trip, one man was slightly injured when a chunk of rock fell, striking his shoulder.

Bullhorns were to be used on return trips in hopes of communicating with the isolated men who could be anywhere in the massive, winding caverns of the mine, perhaps as far away as one mile from the base of the shaft.

The searchers carried their

The Big Lie Continues, quoting from a Federal Handbook no one has seen.. Nice !

Downtown Center — 2-Phase Job Favored

By HUGH REYNOLDS

KINGSTON

Mayor Francis R. Koenig spent today in New York City with Department of Housing and Urban Development officials in an effort to "salvage" a federal grant of \$193,000 for a Rondout neighborhood facility. Koenig addressed some 40 persons at the Rondout Neighborhood Center at 11 Broadway Thursday night with the purpose of "bringing you people up to date on the Rondout Center and getting your suggestions to bring to New York Friday."

According to the mayor, the city had approximately \$365,000 for the construction of a new neighborhood facility in 1968 which included the \$193,000 federal grant approved in 1967, \$75,000 from the Kingston Housing Authority and a \$90,000 bond issue passed by the Common Council for the building.

The building was put to bid in September of 1968 but the lowest bid, according to Koenig, was more than \$100,000 over estimates. Plans for the building were "dropped immediately." Koenig said after the housing authority pulled out its \$75,000 commitment.

"Figuring \$25,000 spent for architectural fees for the design of the building," the mayor said, "that left us with about \$265,000. It would have been impossible to build the building myself two weeks ago."

For that amount of money. No,

matter how we do it, we cannot come up with the total project.

What the mayor suggested to the people of Rondout was a two-phase project: Phase one calling for the construction of senior citizen meeting rooms, youth recreation facilities, a nursery, a kitchen, offices for a doctor and a nurse.

The second phase would call for the construction of a gymnasium.

Koenig revealed that the new building could not be named after the late Kingston police officer Albert Brown, killed in an auto accident in October of 1967. The Common Council had approved the naming of the building for Brown in March of 1968 but the legislation was vetoed by former Mayor Raymond W. Garraghan.

Garraghan's veto led to a major controversy in Kingston with pickets staging a sitdown in the mayor's office at one point and marching in front of the mayor's residence on Fair Street on another. The Council overrode Garraghan's veto at its April meeting by an 11-2 vote.

Koenig, holding up a federal handbook last night, read from it the ruling forbidding the naming of a building with federal funds after any person.

When asked why he hadn't revealed that fact sooner, by the mayor Edward Brown, the late Mr. Brown's brother, Koenig replied "I only found out about it myself two weeks ago."

Koenig suggested that a

plaque in memory of Brown be placed in the lobby of the new complex.

"I'd also like to see Koenig said he is strongly in favor of a full-size gymnasium for the facility and said that he would apply for federal funds for Phase II (the building of the gym) immediately following federal approval of Phase I.

Getting back to his two-phase proposal, the mayor explained that the first phase had to be the construction of the day care center and senior citizen's section. "This is defined as a multi-purpose facility," he told advocates of building the gymnasium first. "A gym is not a multi-purpose facility."

Speaking of the senior citizen part of the facility, Koenig agreed that it would have to be large enough to accommodate visitors and also told the meeting that he had met with Alexander Yosman, director of the Kingston Housing Authority, who the mayor said, told him that some state funds might be available for the construction of the neighborhood facilities.

Koenig said he would address Rondout residents in the immediate future to review his meetings with federal officials on the construction of the neighborhood facilities.



MAYOR KOENIG STRESSES A POINT DURING SESSION

(Freeman Photo by Haines)

Ellenville Housing — Compromise

By JON POWERS

ELLENVILLE

Democrats and Republicans have apparently reached a tentative "compromise" and reports are that Ellenville's long-awaited public housing program is, as a result, due for approval

it for a vote at Monday's meeting. In order to insure passage, at least one of the three members of the Republican majority on the board will have to vote in favor of Kramer's plan. Kramer is optimistic that the measure will be approved, thereby paying the way for unit plan consisting of 40 senior citizen and 60 low-income units.

There is an urgent need for housing in Ellenville. The compromise reportedly came about as a result of meetings between trustees and Ellenville Housing Authority officials. The Housing Authority had previously proposed a 100-unit plan consisting of 40 senior citizen and 60 low-income units. Robert Dowling is still

in the "unde" with HUD. While Kent added that the authority came about during the last original proposal was for July 20 meeting of the Village Board when Kent suggested the number of units. Trustee DeWitt he said, "We couldn't do any two parties get together to choose an alternate program. Earlier, the Republicans had suggested a plan for 20 senior citizen, 20 middle income and 20 low income units. Mayor put in a reservation for 60 units 20 low income units. At that meeting, Trustee Ed

- FACT** The Newspaper Articles and History shows that the the "Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center" was named after him.
- FACT** The Newspaper Articles and History also shows that the Original Reason they did not name the building after Albert Brown is because Mayor Garraghan did not feel a building should be named after a person, only streets and parks.
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- FACT** United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Handbook, if there;s such a ' document that GOOGLE cannot find, please show us, because Garraghan & Koenig did not show the Citizens of Kingston or the show Kingston City Common Council this Mysterious Handbook no one has seen.
- FACT** There's is No Handbook Stating you cannot Name a Federal Funded Buiding after someone!
- FACT** The City of Kingston Mayor's choose not to do what the Kingston City Common Council Instructed' the Mayor to do and that was "Build a Recreation Center after the Late Albert Brown"

Federal Funds for Building & Roads Named After People by Year..

2008 Midtown Recreation Center - Renamed Andy Murphy Center

I, Carl Brown, Ask you all to Please move forward with Naming the Rondout Recreation Center to it's Original "Albert Brown Memorial Recreation Center" as originally named, Nothing More & Nothing Less.

Parks & Recs Committee, we also ask that you Advise the Mayor in writing to Sponsor the Rondout Bldg Name Change as this is the right thing to do for the City and most importantly to the Brown Family.

CITY OF KINGSTON
Parks and Recreation Commission

Travis Rask, Chair



Lynsey Timbrouck, Director

May 12, 2025

Mayor Steven Noble
420 Broadway
Kingston, NY 12401

Dear Mayor Noble,

The Recreation Commission was recently presented with a proposal to re-name the Rondout Neighborhood Center to the Albert Brown Community Center by Mr. Brown's relatives. The presentation was very thorough and provided detailed examples of all the impactful work that Mr. Brown accomplished throughout his lifetime, including starting both the 1st PAL Boxing League and Biddy League for Kingston youth. His contributions to the community were significant and have benefitted countless individuals over the years.

After reviewing all of the information and comments from Mr. Brown's relatives, the Recreation Commission has voted in favor of recommending the Rondout Neighborhood Center be re-named to the Albert Brown Community Center. Attached, you'll find a copy of the slideshow presented by Mr. Brown's relatives for your review.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

The Parks and Recreation Commission

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John M. Schultheis, P.E., City Engineer



Steven T. Noble, Mayor

June 26, 2025

Andrea Shaut, Alderman-At-Large, President of the Common Council
Kingston City Hall
420 Broadway
Kingston, New York 12401

RE: Amendments to Code – Chapter 390 VAT

Dear President Shaut:

In consultation with Mayor Noble, please amend:

Part II General Legislation

Chapter 390 · Part 2 Traffic Regulations · Article XIII Schedules

§ 390-86 No Turns on Red Signals

Add – Lucas Ave. EB at Washington Ave.

§ 390-92 Schedule IX: Stop Intersections

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Please forward this request for consideration at the Public Safety/General Government meeting scheduled for May. I plan to attend the meeting of the committee so that I may answer any questions that arise.

Respectfully,

John M. Schultheis, P.E., City Engineer

c.: Mayor Steven T. Noble
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**THE CITY OF KINGSTON COMMON COUNCIL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

REQUEST DESCRIPTION

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AUTHORIZATION _____
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DEPARTMENT Engineering DATE 6/26/2025

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Signature 

Motion by _____

Seconded by _____

Action Required:

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Type II Action _____

Unlisted Action _____

Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance: _____

Conditioned Negative Declaration: _____

Seek Lead Agency Status: _____

Positive Declaration of Environmental Significance: _____

<u>Committee Vote</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Robert Dennison, Ward 6 Chairman, General Gov't/Public Safety		
Reynolds Scott-Childress, Ward 3		
Jeanne Edwards, Ward 4		
Teryl Mickens, Ward 5		
Bryant Drew Andrews, Ward 7		

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Tinti, Elisa

From: Shaut, Andrea
Sent: Wednesday, June 25, 2025 10:20 AM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Fw: Handicapped Zone Removal

Hi Elisa,

Can you include the below email in my communication folder?

Thanks!

Andrea Shaut

Council President, City of Kingston

From: Schabot, Steven <Ward8@kingston-ny.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2025 8:26 PM
To: Shaut, Andrea <ashaut@kingston-ny.gov>
Cc: Dennison, Bob <Ward6@kingston-ny.gov>
Subject: Handicapped Zone Removal

Request to remove Handicapped Zones from:

- 76 West Union Street
- 77 West Union Street

Both buildings are unoccupied and condemned.

Respectfully submitted

Steven Schabot
Alderman Ward 8

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CITY OF KINGSTON
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jschultheis@kingston-ny.gov

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Elisa Tinti, City Clerk

**THE CITY OF KINGSTON COMMON COUNCIL
GENERAL GOVERNMENT/PUBLIC SAFETY
COMMITTEE REPORT**

REQUEST DESCRIPTION

INTERNAL TRANSFER _____
AUTHORIZATION _____
CLAIMS _____

CONTINGENCY TRANSFER _____
BUDGET MODIFICATION _____
ZONING _____

TRANSFER _____
BONDING REQUEST _____
OTHER x

DEPARTMENT Engineering DATE 6/26/2025

Part II General Legislation

Chapter 390 · Part 2 Traffic Regulations · Article XIII Schedules

§ 390-92 Schedule IX: Stop Intersections

Add – Ardsley St. SW at Tremper Ave.
Ardsley St. NE at Smith Ave.

Financial Impact: \$ 0

Signature 

Motion by _____

Seconded by _____

Action Required:

SEQRA Decision:

Type I Action

Type II Action

Unlisted Action

Negative Declaration of Environmental Significance: _____

Conditioned Negative Declaration: _____

Seek Lead Agency Status: _____

Positive Declaration of Environmental Significance: _____

Committee Vote

YES

NO

Robert Dennison, Ward 6
Chairman, General Gov't/Public Safety

Reynolds Scott-Childress, Ward 3

Jeanne Edwards, Ward 4

Teryl Mickens, Ward 5

Bryant Drew Andrews, Ward 7

Tinti, Elisa

From: Shaut, Andrea
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2025 2:47 PM
To: Tinti, Elisa
Subject: Communication

Hi Elisa,

There was a communication in my folder that I did not leave in my pile for you. It had private information on it, so I am not comfortable placing it on the agenda.

Therefore, can you include this email as a placeholder for the item? I would like it placed on Finance & Audit. It is a request for the removal of a vacancy fee from the 2025 General Taxes for 15 Maple Street.

Kwame left letters in the aldermen's mailboxes.

Thanks!

Andrea Shaut

Council President, City of Kingston