

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING  
RIDGEFIELD PARK  
November 8, 2018  
7:00 PM**

Mayor Fosdick announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the “Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10 4-6 et seq.” notice of which was sent to the Record, and the Star Ledger on December 28, 2017 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were Commissioners Anlian, Kohles, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia, Village Attorney; Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent; Charles Gneiding, Police Captain and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner Kohles to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting and Closed Session Meeting of October 18, 2018.

On roll call, Commissioners Kohles, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

Abstain: Commissioner Anlian

**CLOSED SESSION**

Resolution:

2018-112      Authorize Closed Session Meeting

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the public portion of the meeting recessed in order to convene a Closed Session Executive Meeting permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (7) Development of Meadowlands

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Kohles, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:02 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:07 p.m.

**DISCUSSION**

**Best Practices**

**John B. Davis Municipal Pool – Annual Assessment**

The Commissioners agree the John B. Davis Municipal Pool continues to efficiently serve the public’s interest. Although membership numbers have slightly decreased, revenue has increased over the last few years due to the utilization of summer camps.

**Flood & Storm Resiliency**

The Best Practices Inventory discusses a review of flood and storm resiliency. The Master Plan and Zoning Ordinances should be reviewed to analyze whether changes could improve flood and storm resiliency. The appropriate board(s) should perform the review with the Village Engineer and/or Village Planner to determine whether changes should be recommended.

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**CORRESPONDENCE**

- 10-21 Local Finance Notice 2018-27 – Cost of Living Cap Adjustment for 2019 is 2.5%
- 10-22 NJLM – Weekly Round-Up - Informational
- 10-23 Mark Olson – EVgo Proposal - Informational
- 10-24 State of NJ, Dept. of Transportation – Fiscal Year 2019 Local Freight Impact Fund – Clerk O’Grady to inquire if Boswell Engineering submitted application for Industrial Avenue.
- 10-25 Mark Olson – ArtsBergen Proposal – 2019 Budget Item
- 10-26 So. Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund – November 2018 Meeting Date Change - Informational
- 10-27 NJLM – Weekly Round-Up - Informational
- 10-28 Margaret Preis, Vantage Health System – Grant Resolution – to be placed on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>’s agenda
- 11-01 Jeff Hoffman, Historic Preservation Commission – Main Street – for 2019 Budget Discussion
- 11-02 Turkish Independence Day / Polish Independence Day - Informational
- 11-03 Doug Neumetzger, Dart Computer – Computer Information – for 2019 Budget Discussion
- 11-04 So. Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund – 2019 Proposed Budget Public Hearing - Informational
- 11-05 Boswell Engineering – Estimate No. 1 Improvements to Lincoln/Hackensack Avenues – Bill pulled, invite Mike Kelly to next Caucus meeting to discuss contractor’s performance.
- 11-06 Jeff Hoffman, Historic Preservation Commission – MK Valencia – Commissioners would like to review the plans.
- 11-07 Allen Juba, KMW Associates – Proposal, Landscape Architect – resolution to be prepared and placed on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>’s agenda
- 11-08 Michael Redmond, President Bergen Community College – Community College Opportunity Grant – Informational

**HEARING OF CITIZENS**

No citizens present.

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**COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

**Commissioner MacNeill** advised next Wednesday at 3pm, he will be meeting with the Student Body at RPJrSrHS to discuss the Civic Center.

**Mayor Fosdick** commented on the Audit recommendations that need to be addressed. Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day – 11am Fire Department Monument ringing of the bell 21 times, 2:30pm regular VFW/American Legion service. A response has not been received from Commissioner McCabe regarding his letter pertaining to the proposed power plant. Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> is the Hurricane Michael Relief Drive at Hose Co. No. 3. Fire Department election – John Antola – sole candidate for Chief, Ronald Wagner, Rodney Wagner and John Malool are the candidates for Assistant Chief.

**Captain Gneiding** advised the Police Dept. is participating in “Movember”. Dispatcher Marciano will be leaving. A survey of the Park Street Municipal Parking Lot is being conducted to see how many spots are being used. The SLEO III training is complete. He needs the specific dates the Rescue Squad was not called for accidents. The Police Department needs to know sooner than later if there will be fireworks next year. Commissioner Anlian stated the Village should have fireworks for the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and budget them for next year. Mayor Fosdick requested an accurate cost of fireworks.

**Attorney Boggia** inquired about 53 Bergen Turnpike.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Absent  
Commissioner Anlian

/s/Theresa A. Kohles  
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill  
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli  
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick  
Mayor

/s/ Tara O’Grady  
Village Clerk

Approved on November 27, 2018