

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
September 18, 2014
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 January 7, 2014 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioners Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

Also present: Joseph Voytus, Esq.; Edward Rose, Chief of Police and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of September 4, 2014 and Closed Session Meetings of September 4, 2014.

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution:

2014-147 Authorize Refunds of Tax Court Judgments

2014-148 Authorize Professional Services of Robert Benecke

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

CORRESPONDENCE

09-07 RP Soccer Association – Opening Day – Commissioner MacNeill stated Commissioner Anlian was in attendance.

09-08 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Weekly Policy Update - Informational

09-09 RP Environmental Commission letter to Ron Kistner – Overpeck Preserve – tabled until October 9, 2014 Caucus Meeting

09-10 RP Environmental Commission letter to Skymark – Update on Eagle’s Nest - tabled until October 9, 2014 Caucus Meeting

09-11 Board of Chosen Freeholders – Ordinances - Informational

09-12 SNJ Department of Health – Hepatitis Inoculation Fund – tabled until October 9, 2014 meeting

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- 09-13 Verizon – Return of Tangible Personal Property Form PT-10 - Informational
- 09-14 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Red Tape Review Commission Public Hearing - Informational
- 09-15 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – League Library of Sample Ordinances and Shared Service Agreements - Informational
- 09-16 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Verizon V. Hopewell - Informational
- 09-17 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Policy Update - Informational
- 09-18 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – COAH Update - Informational
- 09-19 Bergen County Utilities Authority – 2014 BCUA Environmental Awareness Challenge Grant - Informational
- 09-20 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Best Practices Checklist Issued - Commissioner Boyd advised she is working on the checklist.
- 09-21 NJLM Membership Advisory – Upcoming League Seminar – “New Tools to Deal with Abandoned Properties” - Informational
- 09-22 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – New Content on DLGS Website - Informational
- 09-23 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Important Conference Sessions - Informational
- 09-24 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Transportation Trust Fund - Informational
- 09-25 Hanna Mori, Project Specialist – RP Post Office - Informational
- 09-26 RP Police Department – Liquor License Transfer Application – Eye Level Hub LLC – Resolution to be prepared for Tuesday, September 23, 2014 meeting.
- 09-27 Kelly, Kelly, Marotta & Lafferty – Starplex Cinemas from Gasho Liquor License Transfer – Mr. Voytus advised Starplex’s out of state representatives will be fingerprinted by their own police departments and results will be forwarded to Ridgefield Park.
- 09-28 NJLM – 2013 Laws of Interest - Informational
- 09-29 Chief Rose – Fire Suppression System Quotes – Resolution to be prepared, pay to play forms need to be completed. Mrs. O’Grady will check with attorney’s office.
- 09-30 Boswell Engineering – State Aid Applications – Resolutions to be prepared for Tuesday, September 23, 2014 meeting.

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HEARING OF CITIZENS

No citizens present.

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd advised the eating contest at the Street Fair will be at 1:30pm.

Commissioner Poli stated the Hackensack Volunteer Ambulance Service is making great money with their third party billing.

Mayor Fosdick asked Mrs. O'Grady to schedule Mike Kelly, Boswell Engineering for a Caucus meeting to discuss the FEMA Maps. The Board of Commissioners, DPW should meet with Stephen Quinn regarding his concerns with snowplowing. The personnel policy needs to be discussed for updating. Tuesday, September 23rd is the public swearing in of our newest officer and a police promotion. Mayor Fosdick received a memo from Doug Hansen stating the Village had been reimbursed from FEMA \$358,700.29 from 3/13/2010 until 10/29/2012. Condemnation procedures with AVAK are proceeding. A response to Cosmic Wheel has been sent regarding parking concerns. Mental Illness Proclamation to be prepared for September 23, 2014 meeting. Matrix agreement has been signed.

Clerk O'Grady advised Boswell's cocktail party at the League of Municipalities has been cancelled.

Attorney Voytus advised Skymark is re-financing their development. There are two big advertising signs on the old Gasho site. Commissioner MacNeill advised a sign permit must be obtained.

Chief Rose advised he received a \$5,000.00 equipment cost estimate for one of the cells.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commissioner Anlian

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Tara O'Grady
Village Clerk

Approved on October 9, 2014