

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING  
RIDGEFIELD PARK  
December 19, 2013  
6:00 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, 2012 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: Commissioner Boyd

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq.; Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent; Ed Rose, Police Chief and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of December 5, 2013.

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

Absent: Commissioner Boyd

**CORRESPONDENCE**

12-18 Washington Watch Advisory – FCC Cell Tower Rule - Informational

12-19 Job & Job – Nature Preserve - Informational

12-20 Job & Job Cover Letter to Green Acres – Nature Preserve - Informational

12-21 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – League Opposition to S-2/A-1171 Shared Services – Mayor Fosdick commented the State is trying to force the issue

12-22 Boswell Engineering – Community Development Block Grant Application - Informational

12-23 Timothy Middleton, Teterboro Airport – Noise Notice - Informational

12-24 International Association of Fire Chiefs – Affordable Care Act – Congress is working on issue of affordable health care to volunteers, would be extremely costly.

12-25 Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund – 2014-2015 Employment Practices Liability Program – Need to update employee handbook

12-26 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Legislative Recap - Informational

12-27 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Mayors Cookbook Promotional Material - Informational

12-28 Washington Watch Advisory – Volunteers Under Affordable Care Act - Informational

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- 12-29 William Betesh – Tax Appeal Settlement – Resolution to be prepared for January 14, 2014 meeting.
- 12-30 Larry Stefanile – Grant Progress Report - Informational
- 12-31 Phil Boggia email – Ron Ladell – Mr. Ladell will be at tonight’s meeting
- 12-32 Board of Chosen Freeholders – Ordinance Introduction - Informational
- 12-33 NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – Choose NJ Expands Site Marketing Tool - Informational
- 12-34 Larry Stefanile – Grant Progress Report - Informational

### **CLOSED SESSION**

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) Redevelopment of Meadowlands

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 6:20 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 6:55 p.m.

### **DISCUSSION**

The Mayor and Commissioners discussed the proposed amendment to Chapter 123 of the Village Code to address the raising of chickens. If the ordinance is enforceable, there should be no problems. Ordinance will be introduced at the January 14, 2014 meeting.

Mayor Fosdick advised he sent a letter to William J. Pascrell regarding the FEMA SCBA Grant. The deadlines of NIOSH certification on the new equipment will not be met and the concern is losing the grant.

Mr. Boggia will contact Steve Rogut regarding the bond ordinance.

### **REPORTS**

**Mayor Fosdick** announced he will not be at the January 9, 2014 Caucus Meeting. The Elks Club will be hosting their annual Citizen of the Year dinner around St. Patrick’s Day. John Tymon will be honored this year. The Board of Commissioners received a thank you note from the Senior Citizens Club.

**Clerk O’Grady** distributed the 2014 Budget worksheets.

**Chief Rose** announced one police officer will be graduating from the Police Academy this week and are in the process of hiring 3 additional officers.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian  
Commissioner

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Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill  
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli  
Commissioner

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Mayor Fosdick

/s/ Tara O'Grady  
Village Clerk  
Approved on January 9, 2014