

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING  
RIDGEFIELD PARK  
July 18, 2013  
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, 2012 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were Commissioners Anlian (7:20), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq.; Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent; Police Capt. Dan Hippe 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 July 9, 2013.

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution**

2013-068      Appoint Pool Commission Member

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve Resolution 2013-068.

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

**Resolution**

2013-069      Authorize Renewal of 2013-2014 Liquor License

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve Resolution 2013-069.

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

**CORRESPONDENCE**

\*\*\*      McCann & McCann – Won Buddhism of America – Informational; Zoning Board attorney to respond

\*\*\*      NJLM Mayor’s Advisory – League Legal Services - Informational

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- 07-14 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Sustainable Fair for Sustainable Jersey Farm to Table Fundraiser - Informational
- 07-15 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Woodbridge Twp. host NJ Senior Olympic Games - Informational
- 07-16 NJ Bankers Assoc. – Bank Contact Info – Property Maintenance Information for the Building Department
- 07-17 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – COAH – Attorney Boggia will follow up with Ken Ochab
- 07-18 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – New Trial for Harvey Cedars Dunes Case - Informational
- 07-19 Southeast Senior Center for Independent Living – Cocktail Party - Informational
- 07-20 SNJ DOT – 2014 State Aid Programs – Submission of application is to be determined.
- 07-21 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Roseff v Bryam Twp. – Spending Cap Law - Informational
- 07-22 BCUA – Combined Sewer Overflow Permits – Alan O'Grady to contact John Rolack to determine measurable impact.
- 07-23 SNJ DOT – 2013 Municipal Aid Program, Euclid Avenue – Alan O'Grady advised paving of Euclid Avenue from Hobart Street to Rte. 46; waiting for funding
- 07-24 Mayor Fosdick – Letter to Cecile Murphy, Green Acres – Veterans Park – Commissioner MacNeill advised the Department of Protection has not accepted Boswell Engineering's report yet. Mayor Fosdick advised Job & Job has not submitted the Nature Preserve documents.
- 07-25 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Super Storm Sandy Prevailing Wage Requirements – Does not apply to Ridgefield Park
- 07-26 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Sustainable Jersey Small Grant Proposal Deadline – Commissioner Boyd advised no one has finished the application for Sustainable Jersey.
- 07-27 Board of Chosen Freeholders – Ordinances - Informational
- 07-28 Samsung Electronics – Use of Vacant Lot – Clerk O'Grady to prepare resolution for next meeting. Attorney Boggia will inform Ron Ladell.
- 07-29 NJLM Mayor's Advisory – Special Election Reimbursement - Informational
- 07-30 Boggia & Boggia – e-mail to Paul Kaufman, Pedestrian Bridge – Mayor Fosdick read draft of letter to be sent to the Freeholders and County Administrator Trawinski

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07-31 Bergen County Improvement Authority – Breakfast Meeting - Informational

07-32 RPJSHS All Sports Booster Assoc. – Booster Form – Commisisoners will take out a full page ad.

07-33 RPJSHS All Sports Booster Assoc. – Chili Cook-Off & Dessert Sugar Slam - Informational

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### **DISCUSSION I**

Adam Altman, owner of 3 buildings in the Overpeck Park Corporate area was in attendance. He stated that he is very optimistic that the Challenger Road Corporate area can become one of the premiere office destinations in the state, primarily due to the proximity to the Lincoln Tunnel and the George Washington Bridge. He stated the signage for the corporate area, as well as the new Overpeck County Park, is run-down. He would like to see a new signage program to attract visitors to the park. The Mayor and Commissioners were in agreement the signage is terrible. Mr. Altman will provide new signage renderings to the Board of Commissioners for review. Mr. Altman added Avalon Bay was a good choice for the redevelopment project. They are a respective builder and hopes to see retail components in the redevelopment.

Mr. Altman thanked the Mayor and Commissioners for their time and left the meeting.

### **REPORTS**

**Commissioner Boyd** advised she will not be attendance at the next caucus meeting, August 8<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Boyd stated she was glad to receive the financial agreement draft for Avalon Bay.

**Commissioner MacNeill** advised the Building Department is requesting a dedicated account for emergency repairs. Commissioner Boyd stated the account would need to be set up properly.

**Mayor Fosdick** advised he is hosting the Rotary Club meeting on August 7<sup>th</sup>. He stated the Police Department is proposing to upgrade their dispatching, computer system. Captain Hippe will present the proposal. One new police officer will be hired and sworn in next Thursday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Clerk O'Grady** presented a Summer Hours Proposal from the Municipal Building Staff. The staff proposed to work additional hours during the week and in return, close on Fridays. The Commissioners were not receptive and decided the current work schedule will remain in effect. Clerk O'Grady advised the Board of Commissioners, the 2013 Open Space Trust Fund Application deadline is August 29<sup>th</sup>.

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**Captain Hippe** stated the Police Department is looking into upgrading their current dispatching/computer system with InfoShare. The current system lacks direct interface with the in-house computer system. The new system will provide an e-ticketing system, incident reports, generate business and employee files. The new system will also provide cost savings to the Violations Bureau. He added that Chief Rose had received a verbal OK from the prosecutor's office to use \$30,000 of confiscated funds for the upgrade. The original cost was approximately \$176,000 but InfoShare is looking for a partnership with the police department to utilize their software for a cost of approximately \$65,000.

Commissioner Anlian suggested contacting other municipalities using this product for their input and to discuss the e-ticket system with the Violations Bureau.

**Attorney Boggia** stated Avalon Bay is proposing a 30 year Pilot Program. He will be sending the Pilot Agreement draft to Ms. O'Grady and Dieter Lerch. He asked the Mayor and Commissioners to review the financial agreement.

## **DISCUSSION II**

Commissioner Anlian stated he contacted Boswell Engineering regarding installation of a boat ramp on the Hackensack River. Mayor Fosdick asked Mr. Boggia to contact the Bond Counsel for advice on potential capital bonds.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian  
Commissioner

/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 August 8, 2013