

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING  
RIDGEFIELD PARK**

**March 5, 2020  
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 31, 2019 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL**

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

Also, present: Philip Boggia, Village Attorney and Jana Carratu.

**On a motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, to suspend the March 5, 2020 Caucus Meeting Agenda and Approval of Minutes until Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.**

**By voice vote, all in favor.**

**DISCUSSION**  
**CSO**

Mayor Fosdick gave a brief overview of the Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) issue that is facing the Village of Ridgefield Park. The Village is currently working with the NJDEP in order to develop a Long-term Control Plan (LTCP) to address the Village’s CSO. The Village is subject to compliance with the NJ Management Stormwater Regulations Program. Under this program, the Village holds a municipal separate stormwater sewer system permit that requires the Village to have a system of oversights in place to ensure adequate long-term operation and maintenance of stormwater facilities.

Lewis Goldshore, Esq. is an environmental attorney who is familiar with the Village’s CSO issue. The Village is required to submit various monitoring reports to the DEP. The next important deadline is June 1, 2020, when the Village must submit their long-term control plan to the DEP. Also, the Village must prepare and submit a Financial Capabilities Plan, which sets forth the Village’s ability to fund the LTCP.

A discussion ensued with the Commissioners and the citizens who also attended the meeting: Linda Quinn, Steven Quinn and Mark Olson. The discussion addressed the extreme financial hardship the residents of the Village would be faced with to fund a \$50 million project. Also, the possibility of alternative methods to address the CSO issue were discussed.

The next meeting is to be held for the CSO issue March 24, 2020 at 10am in the Municipal Building.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

**March 5, 2020**

/s/John H. Anlian  
Commissioner

/s/Theresa A. Kohles  
Commissioner

Abstain  
Commissioner MacNeill

Abstain  
Commissioner Poli

/s/ George D. Fosdick  
Mayor

/s/ Tara O'Grady  
Village Clerk  
Approved on March 19, 2020