

COMMISSIONERS MEETING February 10, 2004 8:15 P.M.

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 Star Ledger on January 2, 2004 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL*****

Those present were Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair. Commissioner Davis was absent.

FLAG SALUTE*****

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria that the minutes of [January 27, 2004](#) be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

SPECIAL REPORTS*****

Mayor Fosdick reported a meeting was held with Congressman Rothman's Chief of Staff, Mr. Lefkowitz of Crystal Clear and Mr. Limbardo of EDC Industries to discuss blocked crossings and the impact of railroad operations on the businesses on the west side of the tracks. It was decided that Congressman Rothman should meet with the railroad. A meeting has been scheduled for February 18th.

Mayor Fosdick called Congressman Rothman's office and requested the railroad horn and quiet zones issues be included at the February 18th meeting.

At past meetings with the railroad full quadron gates were requested. The railroad presented a plan to build an overpass at Mt. Vernon Street for north and south access.

However, nothing further has been heard. The state and the railroad have paid for an emergency road that has been put in from Crystal Clear to Bogota line.

PAYMENT OF BILLS*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Anlian that bills in the amount of \$2,712,503.94

CORRESPONDENCE*****

A letter from Hose Co. No. 4 to accept Tracy DeCarlo as a member of the department pending approval of the N.J.State Fireman Association . Motion by Mayor Fosdick

seconded by Commissioner D'Auria to accept the new member. On roll call, Commissioners D'Auria, Storer, Anlian and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

A letter from the Ridgefield Park Fire Department to accept Kevin J Koenig a Junior Fireman. Motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria to accept the new member. On roll call, Commissioners D'Auria, Storer, Anlian and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

HEARING OF CITIZENS*****

Bill Beatty, 11 Main Street Mr. Beatty is well aware of problem with the railroad. He has made personal studies of the noise and gate problems. Mr. Beatty stated he has a tree pushing up his sidewalk. Slates were marked, but nothing has been done. Commissioner Anlian stated delay was due to weather conditions. He will follow up and call Mr. Beatty back.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS*****

Commissioner Anlian announced that this was the time and place for the public hearing on an ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK TO PROVIDE LEGAL COUNSEL AND INDEMNIFICATION FOR OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK IN CERTAIN ACTIONS BROUGHT AGAINST SAID OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES AND APPOINTEES. No one wished to be heard. Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that this Ordinance pass its second reading and be duly published in the Record. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Storer, D'Auria and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

NEW BUSINESS*****

Commissioner Anlian introduced an Ordinance TO REVISE AND AMEND CHAPTER 96-42 THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK REGULATING THE HEIGHT OF FENCES AND WALLS IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS AND IN OTHER ZONING DISTRICTS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria that this Ordinance pass it first reading, be duly advertised, and come up for public hearing on February 24, 2004. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Mayor Fosdick announced there were eight resolutions on the agenda. Resolutions one through three and five through eight were considered to be routine in nature and would be enacted in one motion. Resolution number four would be voted on separately.

Resolution No.1] Appointment to TANAAC

Resolution No.2] Authorizing Increase in 2004 Temporary Budget.

Resolution No.3] Authorizing Transfers between 2003 Appropriation Reserves.

Resolution No.5] Authorizing Place-to Place Transfer o Liquor License at 85 Central Avenue.

Resolution No.6] Authorizing Refund due to duplicate payment of 2003 Second Quarter Taxes.

Resolution No.7] Appointing Beattie Padovano as Special Counsel for Hartz Matters.

Resolution No.8] Appointing Stormwater Program Coordinator and Authorizing the Preparation and Execution of Applications Motion by Commissioner D'Auria seconded by Commissioner Storer that the Consent Agenda be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Resolution No.4] Authorizing Spraying for Mosquito Larvae by Bergen County Mosquito Control Division. Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria, that Resolution No. 4 be approved. On roll call, Commissioner D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Commissioner Anlian voted "NO".

RECESS*****

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer, that the meeting recess at 8:35 P.M. and reconvene in 10 minutes in the Conference Room to discuss the budget, personnel matters and tax court appeals. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria ,Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".