COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES RIDGEFIELD PARK

October 27, 2015 7:30 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, 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, Village Attorney; Alan O'Grady, DPW Superintendent; Ed Rose, Chief of Police and Tara O'Grady, Village Clerk.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of October 13, 2015.

On roll call, Commissioners MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Abstain: Commissioner Boyd Absent: Commissioner Anlian

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$199,850.00.

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

CORRESPONDENCE

Ridgefield Park Volunteer Fire Department Hose Co. No. 1 – New Member.

On a motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, Christopher A. Santana was accepted as a new member of the Village of Ridgefield Park Volunteer Fire Department subject to approval by the New Jersey State Firemen's Association.

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

Mayor Fosdick reminded all next Tuesday is Election Day and to exercise your right to vote. The PBA Beefsteak is next Friday, November 6th at the Elks Club and this Saturday is the Rag-A-Muffin Parade.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Tom Blumenthal, resident, inquired what has been the cost of fireworks, including overtime, and approximately how many spectators. Mayor Fosdick advised the cost was approximately \$50,000.00 and between 4,000-6,000 spectators. However, Commissioner Anlian would have a more accurate figure.

Walter Richter, resident, asked what was happening with the old Fricke's property. Commissioner MacNeill stated the building had to be knocked down and last heard an adult daycare center. Mr. Richter also inquired about the property directly across the street from the former Fricke's site. Commissioner MacNeill stated the property is being re-built in stages and appears to be at a standstill.

Tom Blumenthal asked if the VFW building is condemned. Commissioner MacNeill advised the VFW property has been donated to the town. A meeting was held with organizations within the Village to determine a use for the property.

Mr. Blumenthal inquired as to why Lulu's Deli is not complying with the Historic Preservation requirements regarding signage. Commissioner MacNeill advised this is an ongoing issue. Mayor Fosdick advised the Board of Commissioners appoint members of Boards. The Boards handle the issues and exercise authority.

Mr. Blumenthal asked about Eagle Nest Development and how it would affect the businesses on Main Street. Also, what type of stores is planned for the retail portion of the development? Mayor Fosdick advised the development would include big box stores and believes business would flow into Main Street.

Mr. Richter asked how much revenue the Village obtains from the parking meters. Mayor Fosdick replied on average, approximately \$38,000.00.

Abdallah Wagdi, resident, asked if Main Street business owners can park anywhere in town. Mayor Fosdick replied yes, they would need to obtain a non-resident parking decal.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Fosdick announces that the following business is considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration.

RESOLUTIONS

| Authorize Chapter 159 Insertion of Revenue – Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over |
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| Labor Day Crackdown Grant |
| Authorize Receipt of Bids for DPW 2016 Four Wheel Drive Double Cab Pick-up |
| Truck with Toolbox and Snowplow |
| Authorize Expenditure of Fire Prevention Dedicated Funds |
| Authorize Tax Lien Redemption and Return of Premium |
| Authorize Refund of Tax Payments due to Tax Court Judgments |
| Authorize Use of Village Property |
| Appoint Pool Commission Member |
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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

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<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, that the meeting be adjourned.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

| Abstain |
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| Commissioner Anlian |
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| /s/Margaret R. Boyd |
| Commissioner |
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| /s/Adam A. MacNeill |
| Commissioner |
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| /s/ Hugo R. Poli |
| Commissioner |
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| /s/ George D. Fosdick |
| Mayor |

/s/ Tara O'Grady_____ Village Clerk Approved on November 10, 2015