

CAUCUS MEETING-November 6, 2003, 7:30 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 on January 6th and the Star Ledger on January 7, 2003 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL*****

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Davis that the minutes of [October 23, 2003](#) be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Davis, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Eugene McIntyre was in attendance:

Mr. McIntyre questioned status of zoning code. It should be ready in time for court decision. Mr. Durkin state Village needs to adopt a land use element plan.

Arbitration – all proceedings are being cancelled until December 4th. We are waiting for a meeting with Hartz.

There has been no response from Boswell regarding parking lot.

Mayor Fosdick stated Brian Hubert has confirmed that Ridgefield Park has largest facility available for Mellon.

Commissioner Anlian arrived at 7:50 PM

Mayor Fosdick met with Dr. Richardson to discuss impact and benefits of possible Mellon project.

When application is received from Hartz, Anne Babineau and several other knowledgeable people will review it. Mr. McIntyre left at 8:00 PM.

Mr. Stephan Frimmer was in attendance:

Discussion was held on preparing a new policy manual for the Village. JIF has a sample policy which Mr. Frimmer will review and report back to the Commissioners. Mr. Frimmer left at 8:15 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE*****

10-35] NJLM – CY 2004 Cap Rate-File.

10-36] Note received from Alicia Torres-Zoning Board Meeting-File.

10-37] Borough of Franklin Resolution-Support Senate Bill S-838-File

10-38] Letter from Rev. Doyle-65 Bergen Ave-Cellular Transmitters-An ordinance requiring the placement of cell towers in the 1-2 zone will be introduced at the next regular meeting. Zoning Board meeting date has been changed. Father Doyle and sister Patricia will be advised of change.

10-39] Letter Sister Patricia Meidhof-Cell Tower-File

10-40] NJLM – Survey of Local Billboard Regulation-File

10-41] NJLM-Important Conference Sessions Smart Growth Issues-Informational

10-42] Letter Maryellen Nizza-sidewalk work at 613 Teaneck Road-File

10-42A Notice from Public Service Electric & Gas-Rat Increases-File

10-43] Borough of Little Ferry-Re-Examination of Master Plan-File

10-44] Letter Beattie Padovano-Report Informational

10-45] Invitation – Hudson View Care & Rehabilitation Center Opening-File

10-46] NJLM-New League Service-REDO Program-File

10-47] Bergen Co. Freeholder Ganz-Thank You-File

10-48] Dept. of Transportation-NJ Transportation Needs-File

10-49] Council on Affordable Housing-Publication Available-Informational

10-50] NJLM – Conference Sessions-Human Relations Issues-File

10-51]Letter Gloria Easu-Cell Tower-65 Bergen Avenue-File

11-01] Letters received from Citizens – Cell Tower – 65 Bergen Avenue-File

11-02] Beattie Padovano Update Status Report -Informational

11-03] Memo Assemblywoman Weinberg-Route 46 Resurfacing Project-Informational

11-04] Local Finance Notice-Towing Services & Local Unit Regulation-File

11-05] NJ Environmental Risk Management Fund-Seminar-New regulations go into effect January 1, 2004.

11-06] Little Ferry Public Notice-Planning Zoning Board 119 Bergen Tpke, LF-File

HEARING OF CITIZENS*****

No one wished to be heard.

REPORTS*****

Commissioner D'Auria – No Report.

Commissioner Anlian – No Report.

Commissioner Davis – No Report.

Commissioner Storer – No Report

Mayor Fosdick reported:

Fire Department Dinner – November 7th.

Tuesday, Veterans Day Observance at 11:00 AM

Resolution will have to be passed to name Hobart Street Field for Gary Keshishian.

Resolution needed to award contract for radios received under a grant.

Euclid Avenue Belgian Block project-Boswell omitted Mount Vernon to Park Street from specifications. Contractor will proceed with the other islands. Bids will have to be taken for the additional islands. Alan O'Grady stated area was never measured, and there were no plans. Commissioners want to talk to Steve Boswell.

Fire Department election – Rodney Wagner unopposed for Chief; three are running for Assistant chief, E. Radburn, T. Wilson and R. Wagner.

Fence Ordinance- Mayor has received many comments regarding the limited height requirement for backyards and side yards. Mr. Durkin stated ordinance can be redrawn to allow 6' height on backyards. Doug Hansen will use old ordinance for the time being.

Fence on right-of-way approved at 90 Poplar Street.

PBA contract – nothing heard. Wording has been changed.

Ordinance for registrar fee increases will be prepared.

Nothing has been heard from the business Association.

Al Zaccone is moving to North Haledon, but he would like to remain active with the Historic Preservation Commission.

Village Clerk – No Report.

Captain Lee – No Report.

Alan O'Grady reported:

Bikepath and Belgian Block projects will start on Monday, November 10.

Bids will have to be received for Cleaning Service at the Municipal Building.

Village Clerk questioned the possibility of having a permanent custodian at the Municipal Building which would reduce the calls to the DPW for assistance with various problems. Cost factor was discussed.

Alan O'Grady reported:

There has been a tremendous increase in trash pick up. Twelve truck loads were taken in one day. Since October, a Ridgefield Park driver's license and registration match are required to drop off recyclables at the center.

Martin T. Durkin reported:

Contracts for Board Attorneys – they are not attending courses during the year. These courses cover changes in the laws.

ADJOURNMENT*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Anlian that the meeting adjourn at 9:10 PM. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Davis, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".