

## **CAUCUS MEETING- SEPTEMBER 5, 2002, 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, the Jersey Journal and the Newark Star Ledger on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 2001 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

### **ROLL CALL\*\*\*\*\***

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

Mr. Durkin reported there has been a file of appeal by Skymark regarding Judge Harris' decision to invalidate the Bergen County Planning Board and Village Planning Board approvals. Fred Rosen has received a proposal from planner. Cost proposed was \$16,500.00 plus \$130.00 per hour per meeting. Mr. McIntyre stated steps should be taken to access value of the land. Village Clerk will contact Mr. L'Abbate to set date for meeting the week of September 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. McIntyre left at 7:55 P.M. Alan O'Grady reported engineering fees for Mt. Vernon soil study would be \$29,000. Killam did a study for the netting chambers. Village does not have funds at this time. We will wait to see if County has funds.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by commissioner Davis that the minutes of [August 22, 2002](#) be approved. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Davis and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Commissioner D'Auria abstained, and Commissioner Storer was absent.

### **CORRESPONDENCE\*\*\*\*\***

8-31] NJISJ Letter-Coalition for Affordable Housing & the Environment-Informational

8-32] Letter from Amports-Information Meeting-File

8-33] Township of Teaneck-Municipal Land Use Law-File

8-34] NJ Department of Labor-Notice of Order To Comply-RP DPW-In Compliance

8-35] Borough of Little Ferry-Resolution No. 196-Disaster needs & Volunteer Resources Program-File

8-36] NJ League of Municipalities-William G. Dressel, Exec. Director-File

8-37] Borough of Little Ferry-Resolution No. 198-Support of Pledge of Allegiance-File

8-38] Letter from Troop 120, BSA-Eagle Scout Award-Commissioner Anlian will attend.

8-39] Borough of Fair Lawn-Resolution No. 278-2002-Newark Arena-File

8-40] Borough of Oakland-Resolution 02-138-Motor Vehicle Offenses-File

8-41] Memorandum from John Antola-LOSAP Contractor Recommendation-John Antola will be invited to attend Caucus Meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup>.

8-42] Notice-Board of Education-Meeting Schedule & Revisions-File

8-43] Letter-Board of Chosen Freeholders-Ordinance No. 02-21-Waste Management Plan to Include A Class B Recycling Facility-Informational

8-44] Memo from Douglas Hansen-Tables & Chairs Outside Businesses-Will Inform Mr. Hansen that approval is okayed.

8-45] Borough of Palisades Park-Resolution No. 17- Polling Hours-File

8-46] Letter from Abdenacer Boutemine-Property Tax Re-Assessment-Mayor replied to Mr. Boutemine's letter that Board of Commissioners has no authority for assessments. Assessments are prepared by the Tax Assessor. Appeals can be made to the Bergen County Board of Taxation.

9-01&9-04] NJ Dept of Transportation-Meeting I 80/I 95-Copies of letters regarding Route 80 sound barriers will be given to the Shade Tree and Environmental Commissions

9-02] Letter from Dept. of Environmental Protection-Available Funding for Municipalities to Maintain & Upgrade Open Space, Parks & Playgrounds-Informational.

9-03] Letter from Dept. of Environmental Protection-ADA-Informational

9-04] Letter from TAMS Consultants-I-80/I-95-Informational

9-05] Notice from PSE&G-Public Hearing-File

9-06] Letter BCUA-NJ Residential Construction Off-Site-Informational

9-07] 2002 Expo-12<sup>th</sup> annual Public Safety Expo-Informational

#### **DISCUSSION\*\*\*\*\***

Unprogrammed funds are available from Community Development. Resolution and application will be prepared asking for funds for the library.

The following projects were suggested for 2003-2004 Community Development application:

Handicapped ramps

Library handicapped ramp

Civic Center-retaining wall and handicapped accessible emergency exists.

Village Clerk will advise Larry Stefanile of decisions.

A T & T will not install cellular tower near DPW. Site by the swimming pool was

offered. A T & T planned on a flagpole cellular installation. Verizon wants a 130' installation.

## **REPORTS\*\*\*\*\***

Commissioner Anlian –

- One meeting will be scheduled this month for PBA negotiations.
- Shade Tree Commission has prepared a procedure for sidewalk and tree conflicts. He asked Board of Commissioners to review procedures and discuss some Tuesday night.

Commissioner D'Auria –

- Request from Leo McGuire for new computer that is to be used for web page.
- He suggested networking through the Clerk's Office. Also, received questions about payment of taxes by credit card.
- Money is in the budget for a computer. Networking is planned for Clerk's Office and Police Department. Village Clerk stated credit card payments would not be acceptable.
- Ambulance Corps – delivery of new ambulance is expected shortly. Commissioner Davis will check if there are fund for radios.

Mayor Fosdick –

- Jr. Football season opens Saturday at 5:30 P.M.
- Open Space Meeting at Board of Freeholders, Monday at 7:30 P.M.
- Tuesday, September 10, 3:00 P.M. meeting with Sports & Exposition Authority concerning development of Meadowlands.
- Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:45 P.M. Ribbon Cutting at Bridgeview Bank.
- Correspondence from Mike Slattery was sent to Mr. Brimmer.
- Article in the Record about settlement of Overpeck Park Suit
- Mr. Durkin attended COAH Meeting and brief was signed
- Appeal filed with FEMA by Doug Hansen for reimbursement of Hatton funeral expenses was denied. Letter will be sent to Rep. Rothman asking him to intercede in matter.
- Historic Preservation Commission has requested better property maintenance enforcement. Doug Hansen will meet with Martin Durkin and Business Association in November.
- Ambulance Corps Dinner – Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. Proclamation and bowl will be presented.
- Commissioner Davis will call Larry Stefanile to discuss CSO costs.
- Emergency Access Road-Mount Vernon Realty has been an obstacle. Martin T. Durkin will try to meet with them.

- Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, all flags at half staff. Flowers will be ordered. Mass at St. Francis at 6:30 P.M. Peace observance at 7:30 PM at Veterans Park.
- Meeting held regarding football building improvements. DPW can do excavation and trash and debris removal. Bidders will be asked for informal quotes. \$60,000 has been budgeted.

Village Clerk – No Report.

Chief Ahrlich –

- There will be a changing of shift time to 7-3, 3-11 and 11-7. This will be done on a trial basis.

Martin T. Durkin –

- Resolution for Hook & Ladder loan.
- Introduction of Uniform Fire Code Ordinance
- Daewoo-bankruptcy. Trust is selling the building. Village entitled to 1 ½% in absence of escalation.
- Appeal filed by RP Office Complex.
- Final judgment made in Office Park Case. Someone will be named to monitor case.
- Tax appeal received from Motor Age. Also affects Bogota.
- Lewis Goldshore will submit brief to Army Corps of Engineers on behalf of the Village.
- MELIF insurance certification requires attorney's signature. Martin T. Durkin will not sign until all is certified. M. McArow will keep us informed.
- Formulate fees for Public Access Records Ordinance.
- Funds needed for planner

Alan O'Grady stated milling and paving on Central Avenue will commence next week.

#### **ADJOURNMENT\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Davis that the meeting adjourn at 9:00 P.M. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Davis, D'Auria, and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA."