

COMMISSIONERS MEETING September 9, 2003 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 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 Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

FLAG SALUTE*****

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

Mayor Fosdick asked for a moment of silence in memory of Joanne Meehan, a member of the Woman's Club, and active in the community who had recently passed away.

Mayor Fosdick stated that on Tuesday, two years ago, the September 11th attack on America, the Commissioners held their regular meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria that the minutes of [August 12, 2003](#) be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Commissioner Davis abstained.

SPECIAL REPORTS*****

Mayor Fosdick read a proclamation for the Peace Bell.

PAYMENT OF BILLS*****

Motion by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Storer that bills in the amount of \$3,599,948.55 be approved. On roll call Commissioner Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

CORRESPONDENCE*****

Mayor Fosdick read a letter from Hose Company No. 1 accepting Simon Allaria as a member of the Fire Department. Motion by Mayor Fosdick seconded by Commissioner D'Auria that Simon Allaria be accepted as a firefighter. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted ":YEA".

HEARING OF CITIZENS*****

Doris Conley – 22 Bergen Avenue

Mrs. Conley questioned what was happening with the tennis courts in Fellowship Park.

Mayor Fosdick explained renovations of the courts would involve excavation which could cost several hundred thousands of dollars. The town does try to find various funding mechanisms, but at this time the cost would be prohibitive.

Mrs. Conley asked if the site was being considered for a parking lot for Main Street. Mayor Fosdick said it was not.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS*****

Commissioner Storer said this was the time and place for the public hearing on an "ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS REGARDING LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING UNITS WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK I ACCORDANCE WITH THE FAIR HOUSING ACT OF 1985 AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORIZATION AND COLLECTION OF DEVELOPMENT FEES AND THE CREATION OF A HOUSING TRUST FUND IN ORDER TO ASSIST THE VILLAGE IN ADDRESSING ITS LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING OBLIGATIONS." No one wished to be heard. Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Davis that this Ordinance pass its second reading, and be duly published in the Record. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

NEW BUSINESS*****

Introduction of an "ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE RIDGEFIELD PARK FOR THE YEARS 2003, 2004 AND 2005" Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Davis that this Ordinance pass its first reading, be duly advertised and come up for Public Hearing on September 23, 2003. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Introduction of an "ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 96-42 DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK REGULATING FENCES AND WALLS". Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Davis that this Ordinance pass its first reading, be duly advertised and come up for Public Hearing on September 23, 2003. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Mayor Fosdick announced that all business is considered to be routine in nature and would be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration:

Resolution No. 1] Authorizing Installation of Fence in Village Right-of-way at 21 Chestnut Street.

Resolution No. 2] Authorizing Installation of Retaining Wall in Village Right-of-way at 45 Hobart Street.

Resolution No. 3] Authorizing Installation of Retaining Wall in Village Right-of-way at 98 Edwin Street

Resolution No. 4] Authorizing Signing of Agreement with Board of Education for 2003-2004 Non-public Nursing Service.

Resolution No. 5] Authorizing Issuance of Raffle License No. 941 to Ridgefield Park Emblem Club #101.

Resolution No. 6] Designating Bond Anticipation Note as a "Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligation".

Resolution No. 7] Authorizing Refund Due to Tax Court Judgment on Block 140, Lot 7

Resolution No. 8] Authorizing Refunds from Escrow Account for Engineering Fees Where CO's Have Been Issued.

Resolution No. 9] Authorizing Refund Due to Duplicate Payment of Taxes on Block 68, Lot 3.

Resolution No. 10] Appointing Paul Barbire as Assessor.

Resolution No. 11] Authorizing Leasing of Police Cars.

Resolution No. 12] Authorizing to Advertise for Bids for Fire Trucks and Equipment

Resolution No. 13] Rejecting Bids for Bikeway and Authorizing to Re-advertise for Bids.

Resolution No. 14] Awarding Bid for Euclid Avenue Belgian Block Island Curb

Resolution No. 15] Authorizing Contract with Dean Boorman for Housing Element of New Master Plan.

Motion by Commissioner D'Auria, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the Consent Agenda be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

ADJOURNMENT*****

Motion by Commissioner D'Auria, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the meeting adjourn at 8:30 PM. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Davis, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".