

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
April 14, 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 Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present Philip Boggia, 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. Mayor Fosdick then asked for a moment of silent thought for President Abraham Lincoln. Today marked the 150th Anniversary of his assassination.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$4,098,279.03.

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS

No reports given.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Joan Carlson, resident, advised the Board she cannot walk in McGowan Park due to the geese. She doesn’t believe the horn is working as a deterrent. Ms. Carlson distributed a newspaper article on how Pompton Lakes addressed their issue by targeting the geese eggs. Commissioner Poli advised the nests are in Ridgefield.

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

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| 2015-035 | Accept Corrective Action Plan – 2013 Audit |
| 2015-036 | Authorize a Departmental Procedure for Cross-Referencing Certificates of Occupancy with the Building Department and Tax Assessor’s Office |
| 2015-037 | Authorize Advanced Payments of Authorized Travel Expenses |
| 2015-038 | Authorize Adoption of Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual |
| 2015-039 | Authorize Refund of Taxes – State Tax Court Judgement |
| 2015-040 | Authorize Tax Lien Redemptions and Premium Returns |
| 2015-041 | Authorize Mid-Bergen Mutual Aid Agreement |
| 2015-042 | Approve Proposed Handicapped Parking Spaces |
| 2015-043 | Appoint Board of Recreation Members |
| 2015-044 | Authorize Use of Village Property |
| 2015-045 | Authorize Refund of Taxes – Homestead Rebate |

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Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

BUDGET HEARING AND ADOPTION

2015-046 Resolution to Adopt the 2015 Budget of the Village of Ridgefield Park

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli the meeting was opened to the public for comment on Budget Resolution 2015-046.

Commissioner Boyd announced, once again, taxes are not increasing on the Municipal portion of the average tax bill. She advised it is not known as of yet if the county of school portions will increase.

There were no comments from the public on the budget.

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, Resolution 2015-046 be approved.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

2015-05 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK AMENDING
AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 73 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO
MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR CERTAIN MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:14-15F ET.SEQ.

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be given its first reading. So ordered.

Commissioner Boyd read the said ordinance by title.

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be adopted on first reading, published in the Record Newspaper and posted on the Village Bulletin Board by the Village Clerk. The public hearing will be held on April 28, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Anlian.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli, and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Fosdick read the following proclamation:
Municipal Clerks Week – May 3-9, 2015

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ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, that the meeting be adjourned.

On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

/s/John H. Anlian
Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Sandra Bognatz
Deputy Village Clerk
Approved on April 28, 2015