

EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
November 27, 2007
6:30 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 21, 2006 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL*****

Those present were Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Poli, Storer and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*****

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Storer that the minutes of the meeting of November 8, 2007 be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Commissioner Poli abstained. Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli that the minutes of the Closed Session of October 18, 2007 be approved. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Poli and Storer voted "YEA". Mayor Fosdick abstained.

Dr. G. Jeremiah Ryan, President of Bergen County College was in attendance. Dr. Ryan gave an overview of the programs offered at the college. Students who volunteer to work for the Village can receive credit towards their degree. Training of employees, i.e. learning a different language, is available at cost. A second campus is being built in the Meadowlands. Available to seniors who are in the top 20% of their class is a "Stars Program". If the student maintains a 3.0 average, the program is free, and they can transfer to a state school for the final two years free. Bergen has direct transfer agreements with numerous schools. Ridgefield Park has 199 residents as students at the college.

Dr. Ryan left at 6:55 PM.

CORRESPONDENCE*****

11-12] Borough of Little Ferry-Incident Command course-Informational.

11-13] RP Jr/Sr High School-2007-2008 Idler Yearbook-Informational.

11-14] Time Warner Cable - Elections'08-Channel 1279-Informational.

11-15] Board of Freeholders-Ordinance-Overpeck Landfill Projects-Informational.

11-16] Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP - Tax Levy CAP-Hold for budget.

11-17] E-Mail - Governor Corzine's Remarks to the League of Municipalities-Informational.

11-18] E-Mail - Gov Connect Update - November 19, 2007-Informational.

11-19] RP Board of Education - Board Member Search-Informational.

11-20] Board of Public Utilities-Verizon of NJ-Petition for Certification-Informational.

11-21] Borough of Norwood -Resolution-Airspace Redesign-Informational.

11-22] NJLM-Legislative Developments-Informational.

11-23] NJLM-Important New Information-Division Local Government Services-Informational.

11-24] Board of Public Utilities-Verizon-Same as 11-20-Informational.

11-25] Time Warner Cable - Nickelodeon Games & Sports-Informational.

11-26] Turnpike Authority-Public Hearing on Ridgefield Park Ordinance-Revisions to Chapter 96-
Informational

HEARING OF CITIZENS*****

No one wished to be heard.

REPORTS*****

Commissioner Storer - No report.

Commissioner Boyd reported:

1. December 22nd - Rescue Squad Holiday Dinner.
2. Police Department reports with general complaints involving buildings should be given to the Building Department. Chief Lee said they are.

Commissioner Poli reported:

1. Pictures with Santa at the Ambulance Corps December 15, 10-3.
2. December 19th - Troop 3 Court of Honor at 7:00 PM
3. Holy Name offered coverage on Saturday mornings, but we do not need this now.
4. Bid received for new ambulance is \$145,767.00 with trade-in. Commissioner Poli explained money left in capital from 2002 for an ambulance can be used for a new chassis for old rig and will add 10 years to rig.

Commissioner Anlian - Report for Closed Session.

Mayor Fosdick reported:

1. December 11th - Fire Chief installation.
2. Tree lighting - Sunday at 5:30 PM
3. Saturday, 7:00 PM concert at Methodist Church - Korean Congregation thank you to the Village.
4. Thursday, 13th, Police Academy graduation.
5. 6:30 PM Friday, Rotary 30th Anniversary.
6. Friday, December 7, 7:00 PM - Pearl Harbor Observance.
7. OEM-FEMA has reimbursed the village \$16,007.77 for April storm. An additional \$5,130.77 will follow.
8. Attended service at Overseas Chinese Mission Grace Church.

Recess at 7:20 PM to hold monthly Commissioners regular meeting.

Meeting reconvened at 7:55 PM

REPORTS*****

Alan O'Grady reported:

Gasoline and diesel fuel has increased 40 cents per gallon.

Martin T. Durkin reported:

1. Plans to set up meeting with John Rolak, E. McIntyre, Alan O'Grady, Commissioner Storer and Hilton Hotel representatives to discuss sewer line.
2. Avalon Bay wants a letter stating they are not responsible for the cost of the sewer line. This is okay. Lease will be reviewed and should be signed in January. They have agreed to pay bills back to April. We have already received \$25,000.00. Project cannot be considered for tax book unless lease is signed before January 10.
3. Turnpike property-New redevelopment agreement has to be signed. Conceptual plan is wanted.
4. Lightpath - Requesting permission to install a fiber optic system in Ridgefield Park. Information from Lightpath will be discussed at next meeting.
5. Bill Betesh reported on conference call he had with auditor Joe Kelly and bond attorney Steve Rogut. Discussion was held regarding issuance of a bond to pay for tax appeals. It was decided to wait several months until all appeals have been addressed and request can be made to the Local Finance Board.
6. Board of Health has sent recommendations for increases in fees. Ordinance will be prepared.
7. Code Book update - 90% has been reviewed to date.

Chief Lee - No report.

Village Clerk reported:

1. Asked if letter of denial was sent to Mr. Rodriguez. Mr. Durkin will prepare letter.
2. Appointment to Boards and meeting calendar will be prepared for review at next Executive meeting.

DISCUSSION*****

None.

RECESS*****

Motion by Commissioner Anlian seconded by Commissioner Boyd to recess the Executive Meeting to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel. On roll call Commissioner Anlian, Boyd, Poli, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Commissioner

s/Margaret R. Boyd_____
Commissioner

s/ Hugo R. Poli_____
Commissioner

s/Joseph Storer_____
Commissioner

s/ George D. Fosdick_____
Mayor

s/Sarah Warlikowski_____
Village Clerk