

COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
RIDGEFIELD PARK  
December 9, 2008  
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 and the Star Ledger on December 21, 2007 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board. .

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

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

FLAG SALUTE\*\*\*\*\*

The flag salute was let by Mayor Fosdick.

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

Motion by Commissioner Poli seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 25, 2008. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Commissioner Boyd abstained.

SPECIAL REPORTS\*\*\*\*

Mayor Fosdick welcomed all and introduced the following in attendance:

Bergen County Fire Academy Chief Larry Rauch  
County Fire Marshal Brian Hennig  
Box 54, Doug Lazzara  
Rescue Squad Members  
Ambulance Corps Capt. Elect Steve Fernandez  
Ex-chiefs:  
Senator Wilson  
John Antola, Sr.  
Richard Flynn  
Andy Schiedeler, Jr.  
Doug Hansen  
Ed Wahl  
Michael Alberque

Mayor Fosdick introduced Chief Radburn. Chief Radburn read the Chief's report (copy on file in Clerk's Office).

Mayor Fosdick presented Chief Radburn to the members. He stated he has carried on a tradition with time put in and served well.

On behalf of the Village, Mayor Fosdick presented the Ex-chief's badge and Mrs. Radburn pinned him. Flowers were presented to her.

Chief Malool presented Chief Radburn with the Ex-chief's ring.

The Village Clerk swore in Captain and Lieutenants.

Mayor Fosdick asked for the Reports of Tellers. Lt. Michael Koenig reported for 2009:

Chief - John Malool - Truck Co. No. 1  
Ass't Chief - Richard LaTour - Truck Co. No. 2  
President - Anthony Reo  
Vice President - Brian O'Grady  
Treasurer - Michael Alberque  
Secretary - Michael Alberque, Jr.

Village Clerk swore in Executive Officers.

Assistant Chief Richard LaTour introduced family and friends in attendance. Village Clerk swore him in. He was pinned by his wife, and she was presented with flowers.

Assistant Chief Tom Wilson introduced family and friends in attendance. Village Clerk swore him in. Flowers were presented to his daughter.

Mayor Fosdick introduced Chief John Malool. Mayor Fosdick swore him in. He was pinned by his wife, and she was presented with flowers.

Chief Malool said he was the 110<sup>th</sup> Chief of Department. It was the greatest honor to serve after 35 years in the department. He stated he had good assistants, and Ridgefield Park was in good hands.

Mayor Fosdick explained the paid Police Department costs the taxpayer \$800.00 per year where the Volunteer Departments cost \$33.00 for Fire Department; \$16.00 for Ambulance Corps, \$8.00 for Rescue Squad and \$30.00 for LOSAP Program for a total of \$87.00. The tax impact is less than \$100.00 for volunteers. The firefighters take the same courses as a paid firefighter. In 1962, General MacArthur stated at West Point, the "Long Grey Line has never failed us". Volunteers "Have never failed us".

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to recess for 10 minutes at 8:10 PM. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

#### PAYMENT OF BILLS\*\*\*\*\*

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$2,871,404.81. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

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

None.

#### HEARING OF CITIZENS\*\*\*\*\*

No one wished to be heard.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS\*\*\*\*\*

None.

NEW BUSINESS\*\*\*\*\*

Commissioner MacNeill introduced a “BOND ORDINANCE FOR ACQUISITION OF A TRACTOR”.

Resolution No. 1] Authorizing Passing of Bond Ordinance on first Reading and Provide for Public Hearing on December 23, 2008.

Resolution No. 2] Authorizing Amendment to Capital Budget

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve Resolutions No. 1 and 2. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”. Commissioner Boyd voted “No”.

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

Resolution No. 3] Authorizing Transfer Between 2008 Budget Accounts.

Resolution No. 4] Authorizing Signing of Contract with County of Bergen for Animal Control Services.

Resolution No. 5] Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes on Block 59, Lot 20.

Resolution No. 6] Authorizing Refund of 2008 Veteran Deductions.

Resolution No. 7] Authorizing 2009 Meeting Dates for Commissioners Regular And Executive Meetings.

Resolution No. 8] Adopting Corrective Action Plan for 2007 Audit.

Resolution No. 9] Authorizing Purchase of Toro Groundmaster under County Contract.

Resolution No 10] Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes on Block 138, Lot 8

Resolution No. 11] Authorizing Moratorium on Payment of Parking Meters

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli that the Resolutions be approved. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

ADJOURNMENT\*\*\*\*\*

Motion by Commissioner Anlian seconded by Commissioner Poli to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 PM. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA."

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/ Sarah Warlikowski  
Village Clerk