# EXECUTIVE MEETING RIDGEFIELD PARK October 7, 2010 7:00 PM

Mayor Fosdick announced that this meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act., N.J.S.A. 19-4-6 et seq." notice of which sent to the Record, and the Star Ledger on December 28, 2009 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

## ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Eugene McIntyre, Project Manager, Alan O'Grady, Superintendent DPW, Edward Rose, Police Chief, Martin T. Durkin, Esq. William Betesh, Esq., Roslyn Reilly, Deputy Village Clerk.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Resolution No. 1 Appointing Commissioner MacNeill to Open Space Trust Municipal Program Regional Committee

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Mayor Fosdick to approve Resolution No. 1. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Resolution No. 2 Applying for matching grant to County Trust Fund for Lightning Detector Project

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Boyd to approve Resolution No. 2. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"

Resolution No. 3 Approving payment of \$936.37 to Steve Ekdahl from Fire Prevention Dedicated Account.

Motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve Resolution No. 3. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

#### CORRESPONDENCE

- 9-49 DEP Green Acres response/ Veterans Park
- 9-50 BC Planning & Development fully executed contract.
- 9-51 Mayor Fax Advisory Government Efficiency & Best Practices Forum Mayor Fosdick expressed interest in attending
- 9-52 Mayors Fax Advisory Action on Arbitration Reform
- 9-53 Ted Crocco letter expressing concerns with Cedar Street Municipal Lot
- 9-54 Bergen County Board of Freeholders 2 bond ordinances
- 9-55 Mayors Fax Advisory Homestead Benefit Applications begin
- 9-56 Availability of Federal funding
- 9-57 RP letter to Bergen County / 2011 Community Development Applications

- 9-58 NJLM 19th Annual Mayor's Legislative Day 2/16/2011
- 9-59 Mayor Fax Advisory Proper Perspective on Pension Problems
- 9-60 T-Mobile Variance Application 265 Main Street
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- 9-62 NJLM Sustainable Energy
- 9-63 CFO Paul Hansen Notice of Intent resignation letter
- 9-64 BC Planning & Economic Development Recovery Zone Bonds
- 9-64A Mayors Fax Advisory Governor's New Education Reforms and Mandates Relief Measures
- 9-65 Mayors Fax Advisory Disaster Management Reimbursement
- 9-66 NJLM ADA Compliance
- 9-67 League Convention Hospitality and Accommodations
- 9-68 "Art Unbound" request to post events on Village web site
- 10-01 Mayors Fax Advisory New content of DLGS web side
- 10-02 Mayors Fax Advisory League Survey on declining property values effect on Local real estate
- 10-03 Recap of Senate & Assembly Voting Sessions
- 10-04 Federal Update for period ending October 1, 2010
- 10-05 Mayors Fax Advisory Funding for Hepatitis Inoculation for Public Safety Responders
- 10-06 NJLM Notice of Proposed Membership Dues
- 10-07 T-Mobile Variance Application 265 Main Street
- 10-08 Invitation/ Bergen County 200 Club 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration
- 10-09 R.P. Jr.-Sr. High School Idler Yearbook Advertisement
- 10-10 Mayors Fax Advisory Federal early retirement re-insurance program
- 10-11 Mayors Fax Advisory Reminder "FREE" Government efficiency and Best Practices Forum

Lengthy discussion on Development of Meadowlands - Gene McIntyre and Bill Betesh will look into the legalities of Mack-Cali's default and assigning of lease deed to Bank of America in lieu of foreclosure. There is a "NEWMARK" sign on building. Mr. Durkin thinks this is a Delaware Realty Corporation. Mr. Durkin met with Arthur Carlsen, our Tax Assessor to establish property values to determine ground rents. RFP's and Zoning changes were also discussed.

7:30 PM began teleconference with Lawrence Stefanile, Grantsman. Lengthy discussions on following:

- 1. Lightning Detectors
- 2. Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Rehabilitation Program
- 3. Veterans Park Volley Ball and Basketball Courts
- 4. Recovery Zone Bonds
- 5. Homeland Security Program for First Responders
- 6. Green Acres Multipurpose
- 7. Nature Preserve
- 8. Digital Cameras for Police Department/ Dept of Justice COPS grant \$85,000.

October 21 caucus will be combined with October 26 meeting. November 18 caucus will be combined with November 23 meeting.

### REPORTS

Mayor Fosdick met with Vice President and Editor of Record to discuss articles re Ridgefield Park concerning the new County Park. Discussion ended amicably with the Record acknowledging that perhaps their coverage of the court case and costs involved were not always completely accurate.

New Athletic Director - Joseph Neubert

Police Officer Brian Lyons has enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve. Mayor Fosdick read Memorandum of Understanding along with a letter from P.O. Lyons. He will be gone five to six months, will receive no salary, will have medical benefits and Village will continue to contribute their portion of his pension obligation.

We will be accepting bids for Fire Department equipment.

Brief discussion on Governor Christies' cancellation of railroad tunnel and Mayor Fosdick advised there will be no railroad service through Ridgefield Park..

Alan O'Grady discussed letter from Mr. Suarez re us of tennis courts.

Chief Rose advised that all parking meters have been updated.

Bill Betesh discussed memo re TD Bank's tax appeal. Got go-ahead.

7-11 requested extended hours of operation – Consensus to go forward with Commissioner Boyd not agreeing - can always be changed

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned 9:20 P.M.

Commissioner	
/s/ <u>Margaret R. Boyd</u> Commissioner	
/s/ Hugo R. Poli Commissioner	
/s/Adam A. MacNeill_ Commissioner	
/s/ George D. Fosdick Mayor	

/s/ Roslyn Reilly Deputy Village Clerk