

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
October 26, 2010
6:30 PM**

Commissioner Anlian 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 28, 2009 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board. Revised notice of Caucus and time change duly advertised on October 13, 2010.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioners Anlian (6:35 p.m.), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Eugene McIntyre (6:55 p.m.), Project Manager, John DeNiro, Police Captain, Alan O'Grady, Superintendent DPW, William Betesh, Esq., Deborah Fehre, Interim Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of September 23, 2010, Caucus Meeting of October 7, 2010, Closed Session of September 23, 2010, and Closed Session of October 7, 2010.

On roll call, Commissioners Boyd, MacNeill, Poli* and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".
*Commissioner Poli abstained on September 23, 2010. Commissioner Anlian absent.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 10-12 PSE&G - Municipal Briefing – Mr. O'Grady attended
- 10-13 Bergen County – Auction of Vehicles and Heavy Equipment – Village uses Manhattan Towing for auctions with the Port Authority
- 10-14 NJLM Membership Advisory – Shuttle Bus information for League Conference - informational
- 10-15 PERMA – BMED consolidation of medical coverage – covered previously
- 10-16 NJLM – League Publications - informational
- 10-17 NJLM – Labor Negotiations - informational
- 10-18 Anthony Sambogna – Appraisal Systems Revaluations/reassessments – Candidate for office
- 10-19 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Court strikes down COAH 3rd rounds regulations – continuing in Court
- 10-20 Concerned Citizen – Complaint – Police have been copied
- 10-21 Integrated Energy Solutions – Utility Evaluation - Informational

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- 10-22 DCA – GovConnect Update – Item #1 Pension Billing Estimates informational for Commissioner Boyd re: budget preparations
- 10-23 NJLM – Hall of Fame Nominations – Not applicable
- 10-24 NJLM Membership Advisory – Seminar Re: Class Action Law Suits - Informational
- 10-25 Samsung – Request to use vacant lot across from 85 Challenger Rd. – agreed, resolution on Regular Agenda
- 10-26 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Red Tape Review Commission - Informational
- 10-27 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Arbitration Reform Efforts – ongoing discussion
- 10-28 Senator Weinberg – Response to “toolkit” resolution – response re: Village resolution
- 10-29 Wyckoff Township Committee – Seminar 2011 Budget Cutting - Informational
- 10-30 OEM – New FCC rules, quote for updated equipment – requires substantial expense, file in 2011 budget folder
- 10-31 NJLM – Bus Shuttle and Overflow Parking for League Conference - Informational
- 10-32 Bergen County – History Grant Program – Informational, also copied L. Stephanile
- 10-33 Wyckoff Township Committee – Seminar 2011 Budget Cutting - Informational
- 10-34 Bergen County Freeholders – Resolutions and Ordinances adopted - Informational
- 10-35 Boswell Engineering – proposal for Preliminary Assessment Report – under discussion
- 10-36 Lawrence Stefanile – Nature Preserve Update – being addressed
- 10-37 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Arbitration Reform Impasse Develops – ongoing discussion
- 10-38 EcolSciences – Site Assessment Proposal – under discussion
- 10-39 Kinsey Associates – RFP for Challenger Road redevelopment – RFP revised, should be out by next week, fees will remain \$250.00 for pick-up, \$750.00 for submission
- 10-40 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Follow up regarding Arbitration Reform - Informational
- 10-41 Bergen County – 2010-2012 Snowplow Agreement - complete
- 10-42 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Arbitration Reform Second Reading - Informational
- 10-43 DCA – GovConnect Update - Informational
- 10-44 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Affordable Housing Legislation – Mrs. Fehre should contact the School Superintendent regarding this proposed legislation

10-45 Boswell Engineering – Revitalization of Main Street – Village may need a permit for the signal

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10-46 SBMJIF – Public Hearing on Proposed Budget - reviewed

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

DISCUSSION

Proposals for Site Assessment – Nature Preserve
Commissioner Anlian will discuss with Boswell Engineering

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd reported: The Bergen County Utilities Authority sent notification that municipalities may charge commercial sewer user fees and a sewer tax for tax exempt properties.

Commissioner Poli reported: The senior citizens would like to know if the Village will be contributing to their annual Christmas Party this year.

The Board of Commissioners reached consensus to contribute between \$750.00 and \$900.00 depending on budget available. Contribution should come from recreation budget.

Commissioner MacNeill reported: The Clean Energy Grant should provide \$50,000.00 for the furnace at the Civic Center, Lights at the Sports Center on Preston Street, and lights at the Department of Public Works.

Village Attorney William Betesh reported: It has been confirmed that 105 Challenger Road building was returned the lender. He received a call from a broker, Newmark, regarding the RFP for redevelopment of Challenger Road. He then asked the Commissioners if they would like the RFP for Challenger Road to have a 2084 expiration date on the lease in order to have all leases expiring at the same time or would they prefer to leave the 99 year lease. The deposition for 85 Challenger Road tax appeal scheduled for tomorrow.

The Board of Commissioners reached consensus to leave the 99 year lease in the RFP.

Commissioner Anlian Reported: He spoke to Matt McArrow regarding the change in health insurance for employees; more information should be available next week.

Mayor Fosdick reported: The Fire Department Dinner is Saturday evening at 7:00, Street Fair is Saturday beginning at 10:00 a.m., the 1921 plaque will be rededicated on November 11, 2010, and also on November 11th will be the Masons 100th anniversary dinner. He then asked what was being done regarding a Christmas Tree. It was agreed a large fresh tree will be used. He also shared a summary of the conference he attended with Commissioner MacNeill. There will be a hard 2% cap next year. The three items outside the cap are, debt service, pension benefits (it is not clear if this includes health benefits), and capital expenditures.

Interim Village Clerk Deborah Fehre – She has been in touch with the risk manager regularly to ensure that the Village is up to date regarding the change in health insurance.
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DPW Superintendent Alan O’Grady reported: The bid process should begin regarding the Veterans Park Multi-purpose Field. It is a \$400,000.00 project; \$141,000.00 is a matching grant from Bergen County. The remaining funding has been applied for through Green Acres.

Commissioner Boyd cautioned against spending money even with bonds and grants. Commissioner Anlian noted that the Village spends the project money, receives it back, then spends again and continues to be reimbursed.

Police Captain John DiNiro reported: The police are prepared for the Fall Festival on Saturday. They are also participating in the funeral detail for the Teaneck officer who passed away. The Police Memorial Monument on Euclid Avenue was vandalized extensively.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian_____
Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd_____
Commissioner

/s/Hugo R. Poli_____
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill_____
Commissioner

/s/George D. Fosdick_____
Mayor

/s/Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved November 4, 2010