

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
October 6, 2011
7:00 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 29, 2010 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

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

Also present: Priscilla Boggia, Esq., Edward Rose, Police Chief, John DiNiro, Police Captain, and Deborah Fehre, Interim Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill seconded by Commissioner Anlian to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting and the Closed Session Meeting of September 22, 2011

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Ridgefield Park Police Department – Municipal Building Security Plan

Chief Edward Rose and Captain John DiNiro presented an overview of the importance of having a security plan and emergency procedures for the Municipal Building. The details of the plan are confidential and were distributed under confidential memo.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 09-44 NJLM – Emergency Management: Utilities and Ashore Communities - Informational
- 09-45 NJLM Mayors Advisory – NLC Governance and Civic Engagement Resources - Informational
- 09-46 NJDEP – 82 Brinkerhoff Underground Storage Tank - Informational
- 09-47 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Public Hearing on NJ Water infrastructure - Informational
- 09-48 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Temporary Bid Threshold for Municipalities without QPA - Informational
- 09-49 NJLM – Police & Fire Labor Contract Service - Informational
- 09-50 Philip Boggia, Esq. - Copy of correspondence re: Ridgefield Park v. Bergen County – closed session
- 09-51 Philip Boggia, Esq. – Copy correspondence re: Rosario & Roman v. Ridgefield Park PD - Informational
- 09-52 Boswell Engineering – Main Street Bypass & Bergen Avenue Improvement - Hold
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- 09-54 American Cancer Society – October 16, 2011 Event in Overpeck Park - Informational
- 09-55 Mayor Fosdick – Copy of correspondence re: Community Development Applications 2012 - Informational
- 09-56 NJLM - Emergency Management: Utilities and Ashore Communities - Informational
- 09-57 NJLM Mayors Advisory - 2011 Conference Resolutions – Final Reminder - Informational
- 09-58 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Updates on Variety of Issues - Informational
- 09-59 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Clothing Donation Bins - Informational
- 09-60 MCANJ – Governor Signs Law Moving Presidential Primary Back to June - Informational
- 09-61 NJLM Mayors Advisory - New Jersey After COAH - Informational
- 09-62 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Upcoming Sustainable Jersey Workshops – Informational
- 09-63 NJDEP News – Annual Fall Forestry Festival - Informational
- 09-64 John Kowalchuk Troop 3 – Eagle Scout Project – nice project for anyone who would like to help
- 09-65 NJDOT – 2010 Safe Routes to School Program – looking into walking and bike paths, Veterans Park
- 09-66 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Correction re: Charitable Clothing Donation Bins - Informational
- 09-67 NJLM Mayors Advisory - Board of Public Utilities Additional Hearing Dates - Informational
- 09-68 HABC – Notice of Termination of Agreement for Administration of COAH - Informational
- 09-69 NJLM Washington Watch – D Block Legislation in House Commerce Committee – has been sent to all departments affected
- 10-01 US Census Bureau – Government Units Survey – Mayor will forward when received
- 10-02 BC Community Development – 2012 Application Receipt – Ridgefield Park application received
- 10-03 HABC – Notice of Termination of Agreement for Administration of COAH - Informational
- 10-04 NJLM – 2011 League Conference - Informational
- 10-05 Edward Valez – Ribbon Cutting 63 Ridgefield Avenue – postponed two weeks

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10-06 BC Freeholders – Resolutions and Ordinance - Informational

10-07 DCA – GovConnect Update October 4, 2011 - Informational

10-08 William Betesh, Esq. Bergen County Tax Board Judgments - Informational

10-09 DCA – DCA Schedule of Presentation of Sessions at 2011 League Conference - Informational

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

DISCUSSION

Draft of Resolution 2011-122 Re: Overpeck Park – closed session discussion

CLOSED SESSION:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the public portion of the meeting recessed in order to convene a Closed Session Executive Meeting permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (7) Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:56 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:02 p.m.

REPORTS

Commissioner MacNeill reported that the DCA was satisfied regarding a Building Department matter. Further testing will be done at the Multi-Purpose Field. There is a credit of \$39,000.00 in County funds allocated for the Volleyball/Basketball courts. This is being transferred to the Multi-Purpose Field project. Larry Stefanile drafted a letter to extend the project to the end of the year.

Commissioner Anlian - no report

Mayor Fosdick reported that the Korean Festival expects to have approximately 25,000 participants. He and Commissioner MacNeill were asked to visit the charter school in Hackensack or Garfield. There will be a FEMA meeting on October 11th. There has been a report of an eagle's nest in Ridgefield Park.

Captain DiNiro stated that he visited the site, no work was being done near the nest.

Interim Village Clerk Deborah Fehre reported that the letter drafted by Phil Boggia was distributed regarding the Request for Proposals for sale of properties on Challenger Road.

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Police Chief Edward Rose reported that they have been in close contact with the County Police and Acting Director of Parks regarding the upcoming Korean Festival. There will be considerable expense to the Village in police overtime. A letter should be sent to the association requesting reimbursement of the out of pocket expenses for the Village.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian
Commissioner

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/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved on October 20, 2011