

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
March 13, 2012
7:30 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 28, 2011 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioner Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair. Also present: Priscilla Boggia, Esq., Deborah Fehre, and Tara O'Grady

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick. Mayor Fosdick asked for a moment of silent thought to remember John Meyers who passed away.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of February 28, 2012.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Ms. Maksymowicz, 62 Chestnut Street, inquired about tractor trailers parking in the parking lot at the location previously known as Fricke's Restaurant. Mayor Fosdick asked the Police Chief to look into this.

Joan Carlson, resident, asked if the webmaster was a full time or part time position. Commissioner Poli answered that it was a part time paid position.

Harry Welte, 41 Garden Street, informed the Board of Commissioners of the condition of the property next door to him. Complaints were made once before and some work was done on the house. Repairs are not currently done well and there is no maintenance. He feels this is lowering the property values in the neighborhood. Commissioner MacNeill will follow up on the complaint.

Veronica Hand, resident, addressed the Board of Commissioners concerning her need for access over Victory Lane in order to park on her property. Commissioner Anlian suggested that perhaps an easement may be granted to get to the property. Mayor Fosdick agreed that perhaps something may be worked out. Commissioner MacNeill stated he would speak to the Village Attorney. Priscilla Boggia inquired if Ms. Hand had a survey of her property. She responded that it was on file with the Building Department.

Noel Cody, resident, asked about school tax impact regarding the development project. Mayor Fosdick answered that the Commissioners have arranged for an independent analysis. Mr. Cody asked if there would be a traffic study as well. Mayor Fosdick answered, yes; a traffic study will be done with all other studies.

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Ms. Maksymowicz inquired about the resolution regarding use of Village property. Mayor Fosdick responded that many times when there is an activity in Overpeck Park, the Village is approached regarding use of their vacant lot on Challenger Road for excess parking.

BUDGET

Ordinance Introduction: 2012-04 Cap Bank Ordinance

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be given its first reading. So ordered.

Commissioner Boyd read the said ordinance by title.

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be adopted on first reading, published in the Record Newspaper on March 16, 2012 and posted on the Village Bulletin Board by the Village Clerk. The public hearing will be held on March 27, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Poli.

On roll call:

Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Resolution:

2012-26 Introduction of 2012 Budget

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, that Resolution 2012-26 be approved.

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

The Public Hearing on the 2012 Proposed Budget will be on April 10, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS

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.

Mayor Fosdick read the resolutions by title.

Resolutions:

2012-27	Authorize Tax Appeal Settlement: Central Union Realty Group, LLC
2012-28	Authorize Appropriation Reserve Transfers
2012-29	Authorize Use of Village Property for Parking
2012-30	Approve Proposal of Kenneth Ochab Associates, LLC Re: Analysis of Residential Development

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

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

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PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$3,135,341.10.

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

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE 2012-03

2012-03 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 197, TO REVISE PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN MUNICIPAL LOTS

Commissioner MacNeill moved the ordinance be given its first reading. So ordered.

Commissioner MacNeill read the said ordinance by title.

Commissioner MacNeill moved the ordinance be adopted on first reading, published in the Record Newspaper on March 16, 2012 and posted on the Village Bulletin Board by the Village Clerk. The public hearing will be held on March 27, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Poli.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"

CAPITAL ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

Resolution 2012-31 Temporary Capital Budget Amendment Resolution

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve Resolution 2012-31.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"

Resolution 2012-32 Resolution to Introduce Capital Ordinance 2012-05

2012-05 CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$155,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF NEW COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AND TO TRANSFER AN UNEXPENDED BOND ORDINANCE BALANCE AND REAPPROPRIATE SAME TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION.

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Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve Resolution 2012-32.

On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"

The public hearing on Capital Ordinance 2012-05 will be on March 27, 2012.

ORDINANCE: PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

COMMISSIONER BOYD CALLED UP FOR SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED:

ORDINANCE 2012-02

2012-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 113 OF THE VILLAGE CODE TO PROVIDE RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELOCATION OF CERTAIN ESTABLISHMENTS POSSESSING RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES

The clerk presented affidavit of publication, showing that advertisement had been made according to law, which was ordered filed. Commissioner Boyd moved a public hearing be held on the ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Poli. So ordered. Commissioner Boyd read the ordinance by title on second reading. The Mayor then announced that all interested parties would now be given opportunity to be heard for or against the adoption of the ordinance.

Commissioner Boyd explained that many municipalities have distance requirements between liquor licenses for retail sales.

After ample opportunity was given, no interested parties commented on the ordinance.

Commissioner Boyd moved the hearing be closed. So ordered.

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Poli and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

Mayor Fosdick announced the Municipal Elections for Ridgefield Park will take place on May 8, 2012. He informed the public that six candidates will be on the ballot. The Village Clerk's office conducted a drawing for positions on the ballot. An impartial observer was invited to attend. The five incumbent candidates have positions one through five. Candidate Junior Hernandez has position six.

The Mayor also announced that School Superintendent, Chris Onorato, is expected to attend the next Commissioner meeting to report on the school budget.

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ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

/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/ Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved on March 27, 2012