

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
June 21, 2012
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 28, 2011 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioners Anlian (7:03), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Priscilla Boggia, Esq., Eugene McIntyre, Project Coordinator (8:00), Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent, Tara O’Grady, Deputy Clerk, and Deborah Fehre, Interim Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of May 17, 2012

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

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Closed Meeting of May 17, 2012

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

NEW BUSINESS

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| 2012-91 | Authorize Mayor to Sign Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement from Shaker to Village Re: Village of Ridgefield Park v. Ashraf Shaker |
| 2012-92 | Amend Resolution 2012-86 Re: PBA Memorandum of Understanding |
| 2012-93 | Approve Employment Contract with PBA Local 86 and Authorize Mayor to Sign Contract on Behalf of the Village of Ridgefield Park |

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve Resolutions 2012-91 through 2012-93.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

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| 06-26 | NJLM Washington Watch – Transportation Funding Conference Committee - Informational |
| 06-27 | Philip Boggia, Esq. – Copy of Filing by County of Bergen Re: Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen – Closed Session I |

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CLOSED SESSION I:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd 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 7:10 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Poli the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:28 p.m.

- 06-28 NJLM Mayors Advisory – COAH Trust Funds Court Denies Administrative Stay
- 06-29 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Clarification State's Obligations: Energy Tax & CMPTRA Funding
- 06-30 William Betesh, Esq. – Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Collection – addressed at the last Caucus Meeting
- 06-31 Philip Boggia, Esq. – Copy of Correspondence Re; Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen – Closed Session I
- 06-32 National Guard – Family and Business Grant Program - Informational
- 06-33 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Amendments to Open Public Records and Open Public Meetings Act - Informational
- 06-34 NJLM Mayors Advisory – S-2011 & A-2950 COAH Trust Fund Extension - Informational
- 06-35 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Legislators Seeking to Divert Municipal Energy Funds for State Budget - Informational
- 06-36 Cathy Stadlin – Appreciation and Thank You for the Use of Civic Center by Knit Wits
- 06-37 NJLM – 15th Annual Elected Officials Hall of Fame - Informational
- 06-38 BC Freeholders – Resolution Adopted and Ordinances Introduced - Informational
- 06-39 BC Freeholders – Resolutions Adopted - Informational
- 06-40 Philip Boggia, Esq. - Copy of Correspondence Re: Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen – Closed Session I

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- 06-41 NJLM Mayors Advisory – A-2405/S-1651 Removing Statute of Limitations on Civil Actions for sexual Abuse – Mayor Fosdick asked Commissioner MacNeill for the status of the background check ordinance information. Commissioner MacNeill answered he has received samples from other towns. Mayor Fosdick suggested sending the samples to the sports groups. The Kanka organization is very cumbersome regarding reimbursements; ask what the organizations already do.
- 06-42 NJLM Mayors Advisory – S-2011 & A-2950 COAH Trust Fund Extension and S-1650, EMS Bill - Informational
- 06-43 NJLM Washington Watch - Federal Farm Bill Up in Senate - Informational
- 06-44 Chief Rose – Main Street Loading Zone Project – May have to amend ordinance to provide handicap parking space. Mayor Fosdick asked Ms. Boggia to follow up with the Chief and Al Locarno

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd reported that the Finance office hired a new part time employee. Bunny Reilly's retirement luncheon will be on Friday June 29th. Rotary meeting is also the same Friday, her husband Wayne will be president.

Commissioner Poli reported that the insurance risk rate for Ridgefield Park improved. The BMed is changing prescription network in order to get a better price. The benefit did not change only the delivery of the benefit.

Commissioner MacNeill no report

Commissioner Anlian no report

Mayor Fosdick announced he would not attend the Street Fair this year, he has a family wedding. There will be a mock assessment for the police department's accreditation. Mr. Stefanile has filed necessary paperwork for the Nature Preserve. Maps are not done yet by Job & Job. The deed for the Fosdick donation to the Nature Preserve needs to be amended.

Interim Village Clerk Deborah Fehre reported that she spoke to Bergen County Parks Department; they indicated that they could easily send Ridgefield Park updates regarding scheduled events at Overpeck Park. Mayor Fosdick suggested sending the information to the seniors when available.

DPW Superintendent Alan O'Grady reported that the State will pay engineering and construction for the sidewalks on Emerson and Challenger Roads. He will forward a resolution to Mrs. Fehre to support the application for funding.

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CLOSED SESSION II:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Poli 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 (5, 7) Chase Partners, LLC Re: RFP Conference for Redevelopment of Challenger Road

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 8:00 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 9:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved on July 19, 2012