

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
September 6, 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 (7:10 p.m.) Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the chair

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq.; Eugene McIntyre, Project Coordinator; Tara O’Grady, Acting Village Clerk; and Courtney Fitzpatrick, Deputy Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of August 23, 2012

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

Abstain: Mayor Fosdick

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the minutes of the Closed Meeting of August 23, 2012

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

Abstain: Mayor Fosdick

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

CLOSED SESSION I:

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, 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 (5,7) RFP-Redevelopment Challenger Road

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:03 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:10 p.m.

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CORRESPONDENCE

- 08-47 Boggia & Boggia letter to Paul C. Kaufman Re: Skymark Project – Attorney Phil Boggia informed the Commissioners that Skymark is continuing the rock crushing project and that he has been informed the soil separation on the Gasho Property has been stopped.
- 08-48 Rochelle Park Resolution 2012-151 opposing PSE&G rate increase to subsidize solar programs - informational
- 08-49 NJLM Mayors Advisory – 2012 League Conference Resolutions – informational
- 08-50 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Best Practices Checklist – Commissioner Boyd will meet with Certified Financial Officer Joe Iannaconi to discuss.
- 08-51 Boswell Engineering letter to Robert Abbatomarco Re: Rehabilitation of Hobart Street Fields – application to be completed
- 08-52 Larry Stefanile e-mail providing Ken Job's e-mail - informational
- 08-53 Grant Writing training in Mahwah - informational
- 08-54 Boggia & Boggia – 65-75 Challenger Road – Phil Boggia informed the Commissioners that Hartz Mountain wants to renovate the movie theatre. He will invite Hartz to the September 20th Caucus meeting. Forwarding copy of letter to E. McIntyre.
- 08-55 NJ State Comptroller Alert – Hidden Worker's Compensation Costs – Commissioner Poli stated that the Village of Ridgefield Park does not use a third party administrator
- 08-56 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Affordable Housing Trust Funds – waiting for the State's guidelines
- 08-57 NJLM Mayors Advisory – League support of A-2681 & opposition of A-2405/S-1651 concerning the statute of limitations on civil actions for sexual abuse - resolution to be placed on September 11th agenda
- 08-58 NJLM Mayors Advisory – League opposition of A-2586 & S-1534 - informational
- 08-59 Boggia & Boggia letter to Laurence Rappaport Re: 85 Challenger Road – Phil Boggia is working on a closing date
- 08-60 Lawrence Stefanile – e-mail to Mike Kelly/Frank Rossi Re: Multipurpose Grass Field Project
- 08-61 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Savings in Workers' Compensation Programs/Pension Training – informational

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08-62 Rev. Larry Evans letter – St. Francis feast street closure – resolution to be place on September 11th agenda

08-63 Boggia & Boggia letter to B Rosenberg, Esq. VRP v. County of Bergen

CLOSED SESSION II:

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, 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 7:25 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)

08-64 Verizon – Return of Tangible Person Property Used in Business Form PT-10 – Commissioner Boyd to follow up with Auditor Dieter Lerch and Mr. Iannaconi, Commissioner Anlian to follow up with Tax Assessor Art Carlson

08-65 Boggia & Boggia letter to P. Kaufman, Esq. Re: Skymark Project – already addressed

08-66 Boggia & Boggia letter to D. McNerney, Esq. Re: VRP v. Shaker

CLOSED SESSION III:

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. Shaker

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:35 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:40 p.m.

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CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)

08-67 Boggia & Boggia letter Proposal for Appraisal Services - Consensus to proceed with appraisal

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

DISCUSSION

2012 Salary Ordinance to be discussed at September 20th Caucus meeting

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd asked if a date is in place for the renewal of the County ID cards. The phone systems are in the process of being updated and there will be a substantial savings. This project should be completed in 5 – 6 weeks. Street Fair is September 22nd

Commissioner Poli - No Report

Commissioner MacNeill - No Report

Commissioner Anlian – No Report

Mayor Fosdick stated he heard from Riverkeeper Bill Sheehan and the Combined Sewer Overflow issues are moving forward rapidly and will be costly to the Village. The 9/11 ceremony/dedication is on September 11th at 7pm. There is \$400,000 pending in potential grants from Green Acres per Grant Writer Larry Stefanile. He is in agreement to extend his contract to the end of the year. The Village is in need of a replacement. The Evacuation Plans are to be hung up in the Municipal Building. Bogota is deciding on the status of their police officer tonight. The Senior Picnic is Wednesday, September 12th at the new county park. He will leaving for the Firemen's Convention next Thursday and will be returning on September 16th.

Attorney Boggia stated there is a stop work order in place at 265 Main Street regarding the resurfacing and re-striping of the parking lot. The contractor needs a permit and there is an issue as to whether handicap spaces are to be provided.

CLOSED SESSION IV:

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, 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 (4) Police Chief Contract

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 8:30 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Tara O'Grady
Acting Village Clerk
Approved on September 20, 2012