

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
April 9, 2013
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, 2012 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: Joseph Voytus, Esq.; Edward Rose, Police Chief; and Sandra Bognatz, Deputy Clerk.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of March 26, 2013.

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

BUDGET HEARING AND ADOPTION

2013-044 Resolution to Adopt the 2013 Budget of the Village of Ridgefield Park

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the meeting was opened to the public for comment on Budget Resolution 2013-44 which was approved at the March 12, 2013 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Boyd announced taxes are not increasing on the Municipal portion of the average tax bill. She explained there is a reduction in debt due to the sale of land on Challenger Road.

There were no comments from the public on the budget.

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, Resolution 2013-44 was offered for adoption.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Anlian to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$2,999,322.46.

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

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SPECIAL REPORTS

Commissioner Anlian reminded all the Village's Earth Day celebration is Saturday, April 6th at 10:00 am behind the DPW on Industrial Avenue.

Commissioner Boyd thanked the Ridgefield Park/Bogota Rotary Club for the new electronic sign.

Mayor Fosdick reminded all Paper Shredding Day is Saturday, April 6th.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Walter Richter, resident, stated there is debris behind Creative Flooring located at 168 Bergen Turnpike. Commissioner MacNeill responded they have been notified.

Tom Christiansen, resident, stated there are cars still parking on the sidewalk on Bergen Turnpike.

Commissioner Poli added he received a call from Holy Name in reference to an ambulance parked on a sidewalk and the police were called.

Jeffrey Saxton, resident, stated he would like the Mayor and Commissioners to pass a resolution to promote public safety by reducing gun violence. Mayor Fosdick responded they are in receipt of his paperwork but have not discussed it as of yet.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Fosdick announces that the following business is considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration.

Resolutions

- 2013-045 Authorize Purchase from Recycling Trust Fund
- 2013-046 Appoint Deputy Clerk
- 2013-047 Approve Subdivision of 75 Challenger Road

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Boyd that the consent Agenda be approved.

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

PROCLAMATION

Commissioner Anlian read the following proclamation:
Shade Tree – Arbor Day

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CLOSED SESSION

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 (8) Personnel

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:52 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:01 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 8:01 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/ Tara O'Grady
Village Clerk
Approved on April 23, 2013