

## **CAUCUS MEETING- DECEMBER 5, 2002, 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, the Jersey Journal and the Newark Star Ledger on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December 2001 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

### **ROLL CALL \*\*\*\*\***

Those present were Commissioners D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair. Commissioner Anlian arrived late, and Commissioner Davis was absent.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria that the minutes of [November 7, 2002](#) be approved. On roll call, Commissioners, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA". Motion by Commissioner D'Auria, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the minutes of the Closed Session of November 7, 2002 be approved. On roll call, Commissioners D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

### **CORRESPONDENCE\*\*\*\*\***

11-35] Letter from Time Warner-Price Adjustments-File

11-36] NJSLM Membership Alert-Senate Version of Nonconforming Uses Bill-File

11-37] Community Affairs-Smart Growth Grant Application Clarification-File

12-01] US Congress-Steven Rothman-FEMA Response to Appeal-File

12-02] NJ League of Municipalities-Homeland Security-Informational

12-03] NJSLM Membership Alert-Non Conforming Uses A-2699-File

12-04] Notice of Hearing Zoning Board-16 Grand Avenue-Informational

12-05] Bergen County Utilities Authority-Proposed 2003 Budget-Fees up \$9,000 in 2003.

12-06] NJ General Assembly-Thank You for Copy of Letter to Jack Alter-Meeting with PSE&G on December 6<sup>th</sup> to discuss noise problem.

12-07] Borough of Little Ferry Legal Notice-Combined Planning-Board of Adjustment-Informational.

### **HEARING OF CITIZENS\*\*\*\*\***

None

## **REPORTS\*\*\*\*\***

Commissioner Storer –

Meeting was held with the Rescue Squad and Al Zaccone to review costs for roof, etc

Budgeted amount is \$65,000.

Commissioner D'Auria – No report.

Mayor Fosdick –

Sending thank you to Jack Alter for contacting PSE&G regarding noise.

Fire Department dance Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am, Pearl Harbor Observance.

Flags are at half staff for Martin Lennart. Fire Department service at 4:00 PM on Sunday.

Installation of Fire Department officers at December 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Rodney Wagner elected Chief and Tom Wilson and Steve Dembski, Assistant Chiefs.

Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 Noon, ground breaking at the library.

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, Hook & Ladder No. 1, 3:30 PM – Party

Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 1-5 PM Senior Christmas party at the Elks.

Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, Senior Club party at Empire Club.

Beattie Padovano reception on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup>.

Regular and executive meetings scheduled for Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>. Installation of Ambulance Corps officers.

In reference to newspaper articles reporting Grant School as substandard, Dr. Richardson has advised this refers to last year's numbers. There has been a 31% improvement since last year. Lincoln and Roosevelt schools reported as excellent.

Mr. Frank Scerbo arrived at 8:05 PM.

Mr. Scerbo explained the soccer program has expanded. The organization wants to build a concession stand. This would help raise funds for their various costs. He was told there is a drainage problem by field. Mayor Fosdick gave him permission to speak with Boswell about problem. Also, he should speak with the health officer. It was suggested he speak with Larry Stefanile regarding funding. Also, a cost estimate is needed. If difficulties can be overcome, the Commissioners will support project. Mr. Durkin added that a food handlers license is required.

Commissioner Anlian arrived at 8:10 PM

Mr. Scerbo will report back on his findings.

Mr. Scerbo left at 8:15 PM.

Al Zacccone arrived at 8:15 PM

Leo McGuire arrived at 8:22 PM

Discussion was held on renovations to police pistol range.

Mayor Fosdick explained expenses to meet state mandates for CSO studies, etc. Costs will be over \$1,000,000.00 by June 2004. Long term construction will be \$4,000,000. per outfall and Ridgefield Park has six.

Leo McGuire explained Ridgefield is unable to do any more than the mere necessities. He suggested the reconstruction of the back stop and connection to Canoe Club Building.

Mr. Zacccone stated bids can be taken with options. Project can be completed in four stages.

Soil bearings cost \$1500.00 to \$2500.00 Mr. Durkin said Mellick Tulley has done soil bearings and said Mr. Rosen should be contacted.

A concrete wall with eyebrow is needed to prevent ricochet and would be first priority.

Mayor Fosdick said numbers are needed.

Mr. Zacccone and Sgt. McGuire left at 8:40 PM.

Mayor Fosdick's report continued:

John Truncellito has passed away and a replacement is needed for Teterboro Board.

Doug Hansen has requested an approval for fence on Village right of way. Resolution will be prepared.

Watershed Management meeting – read John Rolak's letter regarding CSO requirements. DEP has a 6 year delay on project.

It was agreed to pay Mr. Quirk's Planning Board bills for Skymark project.

Mr. Durkin is reviewing state requirement that fire inspectors be paid through payroll, not vouchers.

Mr. McIntrye has met with Skymark.

Mr. Durkin presented an ordinance for fees for copies, etc.

January 10<sup>th</sup> is scheduled filing date for brief on Hartz case.

Sgt. McEntee received \$400.00 for Goodwill Fund from fort Lee citizen for car seat installation.

Emergency Road – Mr. Durkin reported Crystal Clear has approved agreement.

Site assessment needed for property at McGowan Park.

Mr. Durkin stated resolution will be prepared for interlocal service agreement with the County for bridge over turnpike.

Mayor Fosdick stated specs are being prepared for fire trucks.

Village Clerk –

Questioned cost of a code book. Mr. Durkin suggested checking with Code Publishers.

CVS called and asked if store can stay open until 12:00 midnight for the holidays. There is no ordinance against their staying open.

Commissioner D'Auria was advised that front door needs to be adjusted since there is space at the bottom and cold air penetrates into hall.

Chief Ahrlich – No report

**RECESS\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that meeting recess at 9:15 PM, to go into Closed Session to discuss PBA negotiations. . On roll call, Commissioner Anlian, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA"