

**COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**RIDGEFIELD PARK**  
**January 26, 2021**  
**7:30 PM**

Mayor Anlian 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, 2020 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and Village Website.

Due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus Health Crisis, this meeting was held via Zoom call.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian in the chair.

Also, present: Philip Boggia, Village Attorney; Joseph Rella, Chief of Police and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Mayor Anlian.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Gerken, seconded by Commissioner Portorreal to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Caucus Meeting and Closed Session Meeting of December 8, 2020.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**Ridgefield Park Fire Department Hose Co. No. 3 – New Member**

Motion by Mayor Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Olson, Jesse Furnari was accepted as a new member of the Village of Ridgefield Park Volunteer Fire Department subject to approval by the New Jersey State Firemen’s Association.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

**Ridgefield Park Heavy Rescue Squad – New Member**

Motion by Commissioner Portorreal, seconded by Commissioner Olson, Roberto Steven Velez and Alan Mateus were accepted as new members of the Ridgefield Park Heavy Rescue Squad.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Commissioner MacNeill received a proposal from a firm that is interested in operating pools – erect a “bubble” over it and run it all year long. He will distribute it to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Gerken recommends to extend ZOOM meetings through February.

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**HEARING OF CITIZENS**

No citizens present.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Anlian 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:**

- 2021-13 Authorize Police Department to Dispose of Property via Online Auction
- 2021-14 Authorize Grant Application with Bergen County Community Development – Laurel Street and Alpine Court Improvements
- 2021-15 Authorize Grant Application with Bergen County Community Development – Central Avenue Improvements

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Gerken, that the consent agenda be approved.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

**PROCLAMATION**

Florence Hills – 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Commissioner Gerken read the proclamation

**CLOSED SESSION**

Resolution:

2021-16 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

On a motion by Mayor Anlian seconded by Commissioner Portorreal, 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) Legal Matters

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:42 p.m.

On a motion by Mayor Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Portorreal, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:15 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Gerken, seconded by Commissioner Portorreal to adjourn.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Olson, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted “YEA”.

Mayor Anlian adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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/s/William G. Gerken  
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill  
Commissioner

/s/Mark C. Olson  
Commissioner

Absent  
Commissioner

/s/ Tara O'Grady  
Village Clerk  
Approved on February 23, 2021

/s/ John H. Anlian  
Mayor