

**COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK**

July 13, 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.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Commissioner Olson

Also, present: Philip Boggia, Village Attorney and Tara O’Grady, Village Clerk

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Anlian.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Gerken to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$4,763,755.46.

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

Absent: Commissioner Olson

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Gerken advised the COVID vaccination percentages for the Village are as follows:

At least 1 vaccine:

95% - over 65 years of age

75% - over 18 years of age

64% - entire population.

He will be attending the Nature Preserve meeting on Thursday. He received 3 inquiries from residents regarding joining the Village Gardeners. The Board of Health needs a member for their board.

Mayor Anlian congratulated the 4th of July Committee and Commissioner Gerken for the wonderful 4th of July celebration.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Linda Laguna, resident, stated she went through the leg work to get a handicap parking space on Euclid Avenue and would like her placard number to be placed on the spot since someone else parks there. She was told the spot was put in for her. Mayor Anlian will have Chief Rella or a representative of the Police Department reach out to her.

Ms. Laguna also stated a letter was sent to the Dept. of Health regarding the smoking of cigarettes, cigars and now marijuana in her building. Mayor Anlian stated the letter should go to her landlord. Phil Boggia stated smoking is not illegal unless it is in the lease.

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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:

- 2021-83 Appoint Board of Health Members
- 2021-84 Approve Liquor License Renewal for an Inactive License
- 2021-85 Appoint Municipal Court Judge

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

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted "YEA".

Absent: Commissioner Olson

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARINGS & ADOPTIONS

- 2021-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK REPEALING CHAPTER 346, "TAXATION," ARTICLE I, "TAX ABATEMENT ON ADDED ASSESSMENTS," DUE TO THE EXPIRATION OF THE PROGRAM PURSUANT TO ITS TERMS

The clerk presented affidavit of publication, showing that advertisement had been made according to law, which was ordered filed. Commissioner MacNeill moved a public hearing be held on the ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Portorreal. So ordered. Commissioner MacNeill read the ordinance by title on second reading. Commissioner MacNeill then announced that all interested parties would now be given opportunity to be heard for or against the adoption of the ordinance.

Commissioner MacNeill moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Portorreal and adopted upon a call of the roll.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted "YEA".

Absent: Commissioner Olson

ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARINGS & ADOPTIONS

- 2021-10 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTERS 108, 188 AND 197 TO UPDATE AND REVISE CERTAIN PROVISIONS RELATED TO FIRE INSPECTIONS, FIRE ALARMS, FIRE WATCHES AND PARKING IN FIRE LANES AND NEAR FIRE HYDRANTS

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Commissioner Gerken moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Portorreal and adopted upon a call of the roll.

On roll call, Commissioners Gerken, MacNeill, Portorreal and Mayor Anlian voted "YEA".

Absent: Commissioner Olson

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ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

2021-11 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 152.01, LOTS 1, 1.01 AND 2 IN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK

Commissioner Portorreal moved the ordinance be given its first reading. So ordered.

Commissioner Portorreal read the said ordinance by title.

Commissioner Portorreal moved the ordinance be adopted on first reading, published in the Record Newspaper and posted on the Village Bulletin Board by the Village Clerk. The public hearing will be held on August 10, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Gerken.

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

Absent: Commissioner Olson

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Gerken to adjourn.

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

Absent: Commissioner Olson

Mayor Anlian adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

/s/William G. Gerken
Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

Abstain
Commissioner Olson

Absent
Commissioner Portorreal

/s/ John H. Anlian
Mayor

/s/Tara O’Grady
Village Clerk

Approved on August 10, 2021