

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
January 11, 2011
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 29, 2010 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioner Anlian, Boyd, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.
Absent: Commissioner MacNeill Also present: Martin Durkin, Esq. and Deborah Fehre

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

Mayor Fosdick asked for a moment of silence to remember the victims of the shooting in Arizona.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of December 28, 2010.

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

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Closed Session Meeting of December 28, 2010.

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

SPECIAL REPORTS

Holiday Decoration Contest Winners - Mayor Fosdick turned the meeting over to Commissioner Poli to present the prizes to the winners of the contest.

First Prize: 221 Euclid Avenue
Second Prize: 567 Teaneck Road
Third Prize: 120 Hazelton Street
Fourth Prize: 31 Austin Street
Fifth Prize: 19 Garden Street

Installation of Ridgefield Park Rescue Squad Elected Officers - Mayor Fosdick turned the meeting over to Commissioner Boyd. Commissioner Boyd asked Chief Darryl Henkel to give his annual Report.

Chief Henkel reported that there were 829 calls dispatched for the Rescue Squad, 115 of those calls were motor vehicle accidents. They rescued two deer out of the creek and had 11 elevator entrapments. They conducted 15 drills including new car technology, rope classes, and water rescue. They are upgrading their boats. They go over their equipment on a regular basis which is good training for new members. They purchased a new tool which stabilizes flipped cars enabling rear entry to the car.

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Chief Henkel then thanked the Fire Department, DPW, Police Department, Ambulance Corps, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners, especially Commissioner Boyd.

Commissioner Boyd commented that the Rescue Squad is different because they do a little of everything. They do a great job helping the Fire Department and Ambulance Corps. Ridgefield Park is a great place to be a volunteer. One hand helps the other and they all do a lot that people do not know about. When they are out on a call they do a professional job.

Commissioner Boyd then administered the oath of office to Chief Darryl Henkel and Lieutenant Rich Shields. Captain David Young was absent.

Commissioner Anlian complimented Chief Henkel on his report which was an oral report from memory of his written report. He then thanked the members of the Rescue Squad as well as their families for their sacrifice and service.

Commissioner Poli thanked the Rescue Squad for working with the Ambulance Corps, especially on Friday nights.

Mayor Fosdick commented that while the public may go to bed during a storm, the emergency services prepare for possible accidents and other emergencies. He especially noted the tragedy surrounding the attempted assassination of Congresswoman Giffords. Six people were killed including a nine year old girl who was born on 9/11. Ridgefield Park has achieved great camaraderie between all the volunteer organizations. The Village has water on three sides, a county park, two railroads and the highways. The community does care about the Village as a community. He then thanked the Rescue Squad.

Chief Henkel invited all in attendance to the Rescue Squad Building for refreshments after the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

Hook & Ladder Co. #2, Hazelton Heights Fire Company #4 – Resignation of George H. Fosdick, accepted with regret.

On a motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, the resignation was accepted with regret. On roll call: Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”. Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

Ridgefield Park Fire Department – Accept new Junior Firefighter Member, Claire E. Kulder

On a motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner Poli, the Junior Firefighter was accepted. On roll call: Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”. Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

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HEARING OF CITIZENS

Dale Roberts, Teaneck Road, resident and business owner commented on the snow removal last week. She stated that there were cars that never moved in order to facilitate the snow plowing and these cars did not receive tickets. There were stores that had to close due to no access.

Chief Rose stated that he would look into the proper posting and he stated that the no parking during storms is enforced; however they can't always get to every car.

Ms. Roberts then inquired about changing the half hour parking sign in front of the stores to perhaps one hour parking. She added that there are cars that park in front of the stores all day, which should is not allowed.

NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

2011-01 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION N.J.S.40A:4-53 ENGAGEMENT OF SPECIAL CONSULTANTS FOR A VILLAGE WIDE REVALUATION.

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

Commissioner Boyd read the said ordinance by title.

Commissioner Boyd moved the ordinance be adopted on first reading, published in the Record Newspaper on January 14, 2011 and posted on the Village Bulletin Board by the Village Clerk. The public hearing will be held on January 25, 2011 at 7:30 p.m.

Motion was seconded by Commissioner Anlian.

On roll call:

Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

RESOLUTIONS

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

Resolutions:

2011-01 Special Emergency – Revaluation Update
2011-02 Adopt Temporary Budget Appropriations for 2011
2011.3 Designate Official Newspapers of the Village
2011.4 Designate Official Depositories of the Village
2011.5 Designate Signatories for Banking Purposes
2011.6 Approve Date for Second Annual Street Fair
2011.7 Authorize Tax Lien Redemption

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- 2011.8 Support Legislature & Governor to Exempt Reserve for Uncollected Taxes from the 2% cap
- 2011.9 Authorize Purchase of Cameras Through Bergen County Cooperative Purchasing Program
- 2011.10 Appoint Community Development Representative

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

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

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Anlian to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$3,299,641.91.

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

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 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/ Deborah L. Fehre

Interim Village Clerk

Approved 01/25/2011