

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
January 25, 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, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair. Also present: Joseph Voytus, Esq. and Deborah Fehre

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of January 11, 2011

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

SPECIAL REPORTS

Police Promotions – Mayor Fosdick turned the meeting over to Chief Edward Rose.

Chief Rose announced two promotions; Patrolman Todd Milo, who scored the highest on the criteria, and Patrolman Steven Sulborsky who scored second highest.

Mrs. Fehre administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Todd Milo. Sgt. Milo was pinned by his wife, he then thanked his wife, the Board of Commissioners, Police Administration, and all the men, women, and retired officers of the department. He stated he was looking forward to serving all in his new rank.

Mrs. Fehre administered the Oath of Office to Sergeant Steven Sulborsky. Sgt. Sulborsky was pinned by his son, he then thanked the Board of Commissioners and the Police Administration for allowing him to serve. He thanked his family for their sacrifice and he thanked all who came out to show support.

Mayor Fosdick congratulated the two new sergeants. Ridgefield Park has always had a very good Police Department. The process has changed regarding hiring and promoting. If we think we achieved enough and cannot improve we will lose the race. There is great concern for the dangers of being a Police Officer. Recent events, such as the shooting in Arizona, prove this. The Police enforce the laws that we enact. The police serve and protect all of us and we understand the sacrifice. The accreditation process is moving forward and will not stop once achieved. Congratulations to the new Sergeants and thank you to all for being here.

HEARING OF CITIZENS

Noel Cote, 418 Teaneck Road, noted that there was a huge oak tree in front of his neighbor's house causing the sidewalk to lift up. He asked if the neighbor would be

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charged to fix the sidewalk. Commissioner Anlian stated that there is a reimbursement program.

Mr. Cote also stated that there are people parking on Teaneck Road even where there are yellow curbs. Mayor Fosdick replied that people should follow the parking rules. Mr. Cote also reported two vehicles that have been parked for two months as well as a resident who is running a business out of his home, with three vans that are an eyesore. Mayor Fosdick stated that in the past when they tried to address these types of parking problems the meeting room was filled with people objecting. Some restrictions were put in place. He suggested Mr. Cote speak with the Chief of Police.

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:

2011.14	Authorize Execution of Right of Way to Fibertech
2011.15	Reaffirm Amendment to Municipal Pool Regulations
2011.16	Amend Membership Guidelines to Municipal Pool Regulations
2011.17	Appoint Mid-Bergen Regional Health – Health Officer 2011
2011.18	Authorize Tax Refund For Overpayment
2011.19	Authorize Boswell Engineering to Receive Bids – All Sports Field

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

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

PROCLAMATION

2011 National Wear Red Day For Women – Mayor Fosdick read the proclamation.

ORDINANCES: PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

COMMISSIONER BOYD CALLED UP FOR SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED:

ORDINANCE 2011-01

2011-01	AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION N.J.S.40A:4-53 ENGAGEMENT OF SPECIAL CONSULTANTS FOR A VILLAGE WIDE REVALUATION.
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The clerk presented affidavit of publication, showing that advertisement had been made according to law, which was ordered filed. Commissioner Boyd moved a public hearing be held on the ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Poli. So ordered. Commissioner Boyd read the ordinance by title on second reading. The Mayor then announced that all interested parties would now be given opportunity to be heard for or against the adoption of the ordinance.

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The following people spoke on the ordinance:

Ed Coyle, 24 8th Street, asked if this ordinance referred to a normal revaluation. Commissioner Boyd responded that it was a reassessment due to Tax Appeals. Commissioner Anlian explained that comparables were looked at, the appraisers did not enter the homes.

After all interested parties had spoken on the ordinance; Commissioner Boyd moved the hearing be closed. So ordered.

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

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

RECESS

Motion by Commissioner Anlian seconded by Commissioner MacNeill that the public meeting be recessed in order to convene a Closed Session Executive Meeting permitted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b (4) Police Negotiations

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 8:26 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Commissioners returned to open session to adjourn the meeting. On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian_____

Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd_____

Commissioner

Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli_____

Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick_____

Mayor

/s/ Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved 02/08/2011