

**COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING
RIDGEFIELD PARK
July 7, 2011
7:00 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 Commissioners Anlian, Boyd, MacNeill (7:07), Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq., Alan O'Grady, DPW Superintendent, Deborah Fehre, Interim Clerk, and Tara O'Grady Assistant to Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of June 23, 2011 and the Closed Session Meeting of June 23, 2011.

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

NEW BUSINESS

BOND ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION:

Resolution 2011-94 Capital Budget Amendment

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve Resolution 2011-94.

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

Resolution 2011-95 Introduction of Bond Ordinance 2011-07

Ordinance 2011-07

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$380,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve Resolution 2011-95.

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

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CORRESPONDENCE

- 06-45 NJLM Mayors Advisory – NJDOT ADA Compliance – Already being done, send copy to Mr. Stefanile and ask about grant possibilities
- 06-46 Michael DeMarrais, Esq. – Metro PCS New York, LLC and T-Mobile – Copies of resolutions adopted
- 06-47 DCA – GovConnect Update June 28, 2011 - Informational
- 06-48 NJLM Membership Advisory – Understanding Pension & Health Benefits Law - Informational
- 06-49 DCA – Pension & Health Benefit Reform Signed Into Law - Informational
- 06-50 NJLM Mayors Advisory – A-4221/S-2974 Suspension of 2.5% Non-residential Development Fee Affordable Housing – Distributed to all applicable departments
- 06-51 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Governor Conditionally Vetoes s-2006/A-3125 Regulating Solar Panels – Distributed to all applicable departments
- 06-52 Mayor Fosdick – news article re: 105 Challenger Road
- 06-53 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Guidance Implementation Pension and Health Benefit Reform – Distributed all department heads, Commissioner Boyd spoke with CFO Joe Iannaconi
- 06-54 Michael Dressler, BC Surrogate – Scheduling of Speaking Engagement
- 06-55 Troop 3 RP Boy Scouts – Eagle Scout
- 06-56 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Pension & Health Benefits Reforms Legislation & Seminars - Informational
- 06-57 NJLM Mayors Advisory – New Information on DLGS Web Site - Informational
- 06-58 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Governor’s Educational Transition Task Force - Informational
- 06-59 Senator Sarlo – Proposed Additional Funding Ridgefield Park Schools in State Budget – Governor did not cut all aid, there may be some aid for schools
- 06-60 Philip Boggia, Esq. – Copy of Correspondence re: Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen – Closed Session
- 07-01 Joanne & Pamela Feehan – Thank You for Board of Commissioners’ Support for Relay for Life
- 07-02 Mayor Fosdick – Copy of Correspondence re: Pedestrian Bridge – Closed Session
- 07-03 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Legislature Sends Budget Bill to Governor - Informational
- 07-04 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Governor Issues Reorganization Plan to Abolish COAH – Mount Laurel decision still in effect
- 07-05 NJLM – Third Annual Sustainable Jersey Awards Luncheon - Informational

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- 07-06 Troop 3 RP Boy Scouts – Correction re: Day of Ceremony
- 07-07 Kathleen Donovan, BC Executive – 2011 Community Development Block Grant Funds submission approved for inclusion by Bergen County and sent to HUD for approval - \$100,000.00 funding being submitted for Ridgefield Park
- 07-08 Governor’s Office – Department of Treasury Web Page for Pension and Benefit Reform – Informational
- 07-09 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Legislative Re-cap – Informational
- 07-10 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Governor Signs State Budget After Cutting \$900 Million In Spending – Informational
- 07-11 NJLM Membership Advisory – New Pensions and Health Benefits Law Seminars – Informational
- 07-12 NJLM Membership Advisory – Collect negotiations and Interest Arbitration Seminar – Informational
- 07-13 NJLM Membership Advisory – Ethic and Conflicts of Interest Seminar – Informational
- 07-14 NJLM – 2011 League of Municipalities Annual Conference – Informational

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd No Report

Commissioner Poli No Report

Commissioner MacNeill reported that he received a proposal from Boswell Engineering for ground penetrating radar to locate paint can lids at the All Purpose Field at a cost of \$25,000.00. Commissioner MacNeill is working with the Village’s insurance company, who brought in Birdsall to oversee remediation. He will also consult with a private consultant who works for the EPA.

Commissioner Anlian reported that he stopped in at Environmental Commission Meeting and was asked if he would check into the possibility of more residents who might consider selling their land for the Nature Preserve.

Mayor Fosdick reported that he will be away for the next Caucus Meeting. Senator Sarlo is still interested in coming to a meeting; a date has to be agreed upon. He received a memo from Doug Hansen stating that the Village received \$43,904.90 reimbursement

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from FEMA for the December 26, 2010 blizzard. Hose Truck No. 1 will be sold, a resolution will be on the agenda for next Regular Meeting. The Police had an excellent plan regarding emergency preparedness for the Fourth of July.

Commissioner MacNeill added that the DPW did a great job cleaning up after the parade. They have their system down to a science.

Village Attorney Philip Boggia reported that he is communicating with Bergen County regarding the reimbursement of legal fees due to the Village of Ridgefield Park. He also informed everyone that his office has various records which belong to the Village; he would like guidance regarding their storage or destruction. Mrs. Fehre stated that the records could not be destroyed unless proper records destruction procedures are followed. He gave a letter with the list to Mrs. Fehre.

CLOSED SESSION:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd 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) Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:40 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Boyd, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian
Commissioner

/s/Margaret R. Boyd
Commissioner

Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

Mayor

/s/ Deborah L. Fehre
Interim Village Clerk
Approved on May 21, 2011