

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
September 20, 2012
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 28, 2011 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Commissioners Anlian (7:12), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq., Eugene McIntyre, Project Coordinator, Alan O'Grady, DPW Superintendent, Tara O'Grady, Acting Village Clerk, and Courtney Fitzpatrick, Deputy Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of September 6, 2012

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

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Closed Meeting of September 6, 2012

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

NEW BUSINESS

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| Resolution 2012-122 | Approval to submit grant application and execute contract with NJDOT for Euclid Avenue project |
| Resolution 2012-123 | Approval to submit grant application and execute contract with NJDOT for Emerson Street and Challenger Road sidewalk improvement project |
| Resolution 2012-124 | Authorize Insertion of Revenue (Chapter 159) Click It or Ticket Funds |
| Resolution 2012-125 | Authorize Use of Village Property |

Motion by Commissioner Boyd seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve Resolutions 2012-122 through 2012-125.

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

CLOSED SESSION I:

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli 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 (5, 7) RFP- Redevelopment Challenger Road

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:07 p.m.

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On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:10 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

- 09-01 River Edge Resolutions – Supporting Bill S-5126 - Creation of Bi-State Commission to Coordinate Management and Flood Prevention & Opposing PSE&G Rate Increase to Subsidize Solar Programs - Informational
- 09-02 DCA – Levy Cap Exclusion for Extraordinary Expenditures due to Emergencies - Informational
- 09-03 Department of Environmental Protection – Precautions against mosquitos - Informational
- 09-04 Boggia & Boggia letter to Allen Magrini, Esq. – Hartz Mt. 65-75 Challenger Road – Mr. Boggia informed the Board of Commissioners Hartz Mountain would like to subdivide 65-75 Challenger Road for Theatre renovations.
- 09-05 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Property Taxes – Commissioner Poli asked Ms. O’Grady to forward brochure link to the webmaster for website
- 09-06 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Hepatitis B inoculation reimbursement – Commissioner Anlian will inquire with the Board of Health
- 09-07 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Facebook, National League of Cities Webinar – does not apply
- 09-08 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Utilities disruptions due to natural disasters - Informational
- 09-09 Larry Stefanile e-mail to Mike Kelly – Multipurpose Grass Field – Mayor Fosdick stated per Larry Stefanile, Boswell Engineering needs to release/certify the Multipurpose Field report so funds can be released to the Village.
- 09-10 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Affordable Housing Trust Funds - Informational
- 09-11 BCUA – 2012 BCUA Environmental Awareness Challenge Grant - Informational
- 09-12 Boswell Engineering – 2013 State Aid Applications – Resolutions have been passed.
- 09-13 NJLM Mayors Advisory – National Preparedness Month - Informational
- 09-14 NJLM Mayors Advisory – DCA New Budget Reporting Tool - Informational
- 09-15 Piscataway Mayor Wahler – Appeal of Hopewell v. Verizon Tax Court Case – Ridgefield Park to support appeal.

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- 09-16 NJLM William G. Dressel, Jr. – Appeal of Hopewell v. Verizon Tax Court Case – Ridgefield Park to support appeal.
- 09-17 Gina Calogero letter to Boggia & Boggia – 265 Main St. Stop Work Order – Mr. Boggia stated the contractor will have to comply with handicap parking spots per Mike Landolfi, Construction Official.
- 09-18 Larry Stefanile – RAO Report – Previously addressed
- 09-19 Larry Stefanile – Multipurpose Grass Field Project RAO – previously addressed
- 09-20 Doug Hansen letter to JC Promotions – Street Fair permits - Informational
- 09-21 NJLM Mayors Advisory – NLC Webinar on New Facebook Policies – does not apply
- 09-22 Boggia & Boggia letter to Douglas Bern – Redevelopment Agreement finalization – addressed in Closed Session I
- 09-23 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Base salary litigation update - Informational
- 09-24 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Memorial Service for Stuart R. Koenig, Esq. - Informational
- 09-25 Boggia & Boggia letter to Paul Kaufman – Skymark Stone Crushing Operation – Mr. Boggia stated the stone crushing operation has ceased however Skymark will pay September’s fee. Mr. Boggia will send letter regarding suspension of agreement.
- 09-26 NJDEP – NJ deer EHD virus - Informational
- 09-27 Larry Stefanile e-mail – Nature Preserve - Informational
- 09-28 BC Freeholders – adopted/introduced ordinances and resolutions - Informational

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

DISCUSSION

Allen Magrini, Esq. and Ernie Kristoff representing Hartz Mountain Industries were in attendance to discuss possible sub-division of 65 Challenger Road. The parcel is shared by the movie theatre and an office building. The movie theatre is not doing well and is currently on a year to year lease with the current lease expiring Dec. 31, 2012. There are currently two companies interested in upgrading the theatre with stadium seating, reclining seats, food service. The upgrade would be a multi-million dollar investment. The Board of Commissioners agrees it would be a good idea and would like all interested parties to meet and discuss further plans.

The Board of Commissioners discussed the 2012 Best Practices worksheet to determine if future improvements could be made.

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REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd inquired if the Commissioners wanted voice mail with the new phone system. The pie eating contest at the street fair is at 1 pm in front of the municipal building. The Skymark Trust Fund needs to be replenished. Inquired if any installments were paid regarding the \$10,000.00 fine.

Commissioner Poli no report

Commissioner MacNeill stated if the meters on Main Street were maintained regularly, the Village would collect an average of \$6,000.00 to \$9,000.00. The Village could then possibly hire a part time meter maid. The Civic Center looks great since painted.

Commissioner Anlian no report

Mayor Fosdick advised the Commissioners the Fire Department election letters are out. The election is December 2, 2012. Korean American festival in the County Park on October 29 and October 30, 2012.

DPW Superintendent Alan O'Grady reported the tree in front of the Municipal Building is dead. Will need a new one for the tree lighting in December

Village Attorney Philip Boggia stated he met with Larry Rappaport who is acquiring 55 Challenger Road. Mr. Rappaport would like to build another deck for parking on the existing parking garage. Mr. Boggia will check with Board of Adjustments if variance is needed. The closing on 85 Challenger Road should be 30-45 days.

CLOSED SESSION II:

On a motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli 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, 8, 4) Village of Ridgefield Park v. Shaker, 2012 Salary Ordinance, Police Chief Contract

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 8:14 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 9:20 p.m.

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ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian
Commissioner

Commissioner

/s/Adam A. MacNeill
Commissioner

/s/ Hugo R. Poli
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick
Mayor

/s/ Tara O'Grady
Acting Village Clerk
Approved on October 4, 2012