

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
October 18, 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 (7:07), Boyd, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq.; Alan O’Grady, DPW Superintendent; Eugene McIntyre, Project Coordinator; Tara O’Grady, Acting Village Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting of October 4, 2012

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

Abstain: Commissioner Boyd

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli to approve the minutes of the Closed Meeting of October 4, 2012

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

Abstain: Commissioner Boyd

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 (7) Contract Negotiations, Village of Ridgefield Park v. County of Bergen

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

Absent: Commissioner Anlian

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:02 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Boyd, seconded by Commissioner Poli the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:30 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

10-06 Mr. Chris Onorato – review of school impact study – addressed in Closed Session I

10-07 Troop 3 Boy Scouts – Mark Alberque Eagle Scout Award Ceremony – proclamation for Nov. 13, 2012 meeting and plaque to be ordered for ceremony

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- 10-08 Ken Ochab – Skymark/Turnpike Property Report – Commissioner Boyd to verify Trust account balance
- 10-09 Board of Chosen Freeholders – Resolutions 1390-12, 1391-12 - Informational
- 10-10 Judge Contillo – Court decision – VRP v. County of Bergen – addressed in Closed Session I
- 10-11 NJ DEP – Deer on Roads - Informational
- 10-12 NJLM Mayors Advisory – COAH - Informational
- 10-13 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Non State Health Benefits Plans – Commissioner Poli would like to invite Matt McArow from GJEM Insurance to November 8, 2012 meeting
- 10-14 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Contracting for Construction Code Services - Informational
- 10-15 Time Warner Cable – Cable Internal Restructuring - Informational
- 10-16 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Homestead Benefit Application Extension - Informational
- 10-17 NJLM Mayors Advisory – Would Clarify Telecommunications Tax Law Correct Court Decision in Verizon v. Hopewell - Informational

HEARING OF CITIZENS

No public present

REPORTS

Commissioner Boyd advised the C-Box at the DPW containing municipal records, which were moved from the Municipal Building a few years ago, appears to be missing records. Documents are moldy and in disarray. Mr. O’Grady stated the documents should be stored in a climate controlled storage facility and will inquire about a 40 ft. climate controlled C-Box. Commissioner Boyd will check climate controlled storage facilities within the vicinity.

She inquired if a new pool secretary has been hired and if so, resolution needs to be prepared for the next meeting. She also inquired why the pool PSE&G bill had been paid when it was to be the concessionaire’s responsibility. Commissioner MacNeill responded the Village will be reimbursed from the concessionaire; the bill was paid since the name on the account is the Village. Commissioner Boyd advised there will be a carnival at the County Park next weekend.

Commissioner Poli advised the increase in medical insurance is 13.2% driven mostly by prescriptions. He attended the Joint Insurance Fund meeting on Oct. 17th and that increase is 2.7% due to the accident ratio.

Commissioner MacNeill advised Teaneck has taken over the maintenance on Bogota vehicles.

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CLOSED SESSION II:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, 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 (8) Personnel Matters

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 7:55 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Poli the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:25 p.m.

Mayor Fosdick stated he spoke with Doug Hansen - OEM Coordinator, and the remainder of the narrow-banding equipment is to be delivered today. The Fire Department dance will be held on November 2nd. He informed the Commissioners Louis Knaub passed away. Hose Co. No. 4 will be sending a letter regarding a new truck. The Police test will be administered on October 29th at Glenpoint. Approximately 100 applications have been distributed and 50 have been received. The Village will be hiring 2 new police officers. The Mayor also stated he received thank you notes from the Elks Street Legends and the Ridgefield Park Jr. Sr. High School Alumni Association.

DPW Superintendent Alan O'Grady advised the Mayor and Commissioners the street lights on Main Street were repaired today. Paper Shredding Day is next Saturday, Oct. 27th.

Village Attorney Philip Boggia advised he has been in contact with Construction Code Official Mike Landolfi regarding the replacing and adding antennae at the DPW. Mr. Landolfi issued a stop work order since permits were not issued. Mr. Boggia is looking into the lease agreement.

CLOSED SESSION III:

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, 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 (8) Personnel Matters

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

The Board of Commissioners convened closed session at 8:40 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Poli, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:55 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Fosdick adjourned the meeting at 8:55 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/ Tara O'Grady
Acting Village Clerk
Approved on November 8, 2012