

CAUCUS MEETING- JULY 18, 2002 7:30 P.M.

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, the Jersey Journal and the Newark Star Ledger on the 27th day of December 2001 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

ROLL CALL*****

Those present were Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*****

Motion by Commissioner Storer, seconded by Commissioner Davis that the minutes of July 9, 2002 be approved. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Alan O'Grady was in attendance and reported:

Mt. Vernon Sewer – met with Boswell regarding 20' bulkhead. Cost between \$350,000 to over \$1,000,000.00 He questioned if County was still doing project.

Wayne King told him Rotary would be willing to demolish Frazier building when Fire Department is through. Town would supply containers.

DPW garage was inspected by JIF. Several things must be corrected:

- a. Spill prevention for above ground gas tanks - \$3 to \$4,000.00
- b. DEP permit for generator behind Municipal Building
- c. Recycling should not be outside. C-Box container can be used. Funds in recycling grant.

Change order in the amount of \$8,000 for bike path project to add extra paths. State funds available.

Motion by Commissioner D'Auria, seconded by Commissioner Davis to approve change order. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Captain Lee reported:

16 flags were donated anonymously for the flags that had been burned. Also Bridgeview Bank, Rotary Club and American Legion donated flags. Rotary Club is offering a \$500.00 reward and gave a bond to Francine Muti who warned residents of burning flags.

Working with Ridgefield, Fairview and North Bergen on store break-ins.

Alan O'Grady and Captain Lee left at 7:38 P.M.

CORRESPONDENCE*****

7-15] Letter from St. Francis Assisi Church-Annual Feast in September-Banner-Resolution.

7-16] Letter State of NJ-U.G.Bridge 5/83 replacement over Overpeck Creek – Informational

7-17] Letter from Quirk & Gallagher-RP Office Complex, LLC Escrow Account-File

7-18] Letter from Amports-Meeting 7-24-02 – File

7-18A] Letter from State of NJ-State Local Cooperative Housing Inspection Program – Approved.

7-19] Membership Alert-NJSLM-Executive Order 21-Informational

7-20] Letter Bergen Co. Surrogate's Court-Requests for Speaking Engagements-File

7-21] Letter County of Bergen Senior Services-picnic at Van Saun Park-9-18-02-Will check with Alan O'Grady.

7-22] Letter NJ General Assembly Bill a-273-File

7-23] Letter from Hartz-Request for copies of Agendas, Town Comm., Village of Ridgefield Park Planning Board-Village of Ridgefield Park – Mr. Durkin sent letter to Hartz with notice of meeting of July 18th and agenda for same.

7-24] Letter St. Francis Assisi Church-Sponsor of Feast – File

7-25] Letter State of NJ-\$50,000 supplemental Municipal Property Tax Relief-Mayor Fosdick will prepare letter to Mrs. Weinberg in appreciation of her advocacy for Ridgefield Park

7-26] Time Warner-Community Ties-SummerFest 2002-File

7-27] Letter from Boswell McClave-Improvements to Central Avenue

7-28] Letter State of NJ-Public Hearing – Local Finance Board – File

7-29] Letter State of NJ Governor McGreevey-File

7-30] Borough of Oakland-Resolution 02-126 – File

7-31] NJ League of Municipalities-Bulletin-Public Laws of 2002-File

7-32] Letter from Riverkeeper-Waterside Park as a landing spot-Resolution will be prepared.

7-33] Borough of Hasbrouck Heights-Resolution 124 Blue Laws-File

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner D'Auria, that meeting go into Closed Session at 7:55 P.M. to discuss Hartz litigation decision. At the final conclusion of all aspects of this litigation, minutes of the Closed Meeting will be available.

Caucus Meeting reconvened at 9:35 P.M.

REPORTS*****

Commissioner Anlian – No Report

Commissioner Davis – No Report

Commissioner D'Auria – No Report

Commissioner Storer – No Report

Mayor Fosdick reported:

3:00 Friday, July 19th, Rotary will make presentations at the Municipal Building. Article naming Ridgefield Park as a distressed community, related to reliance on property taxes and value of properties.

Going to New Hampshire from Friday to Tuesday, July 26 to July 30.

Brewster Park-Play equipment needed. Larry Stefanile will be contacted about Open Space grant.

Letter from Tom Farrell. Meeting to be scheduled with Historic Preservation Commission.

Village Clerk – No Report

Martin T. Durkin – No Report

ADJOURNMENT*****

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the meeting adjourn at 9:45 P.M. On roll call, Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Storer, and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".