

CAUCUS MEETING MARCH 21, 2002 7:40 P.M.

Mayor Fosdick announced that in accordance with the requirements of the "Open Public Meeting Act N.J.S.A. 190 4-6 et. seq., notice 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 in the lobby of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the minutes of [March 7, 2002](#) be approved. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, D'Auria, Davis, Storer and mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

CORRESPONDENCE:

3-11] NJ DOT-CSX Grade Crossings-Mayor attended meeting on March 20th. Three concerns: 1. Replacement of gates, Blocking, Embankment erosion

3-12] Ridgefield Park Elks-Youth Day-May 2, 2002-Will ask department heads to attend.

3-13] Killam Associates-Engineering Services-Watershed-File

3-14] Ridgefield Park Jr/Sr High School-Awards/Scholarship-Awards May 14th. Mayor Fosdick will attend and present award.

3-15] NJ League of Municipalities-League Marketing Seminar-Informational

3-16] NJ League of Municipalities-Municipal Personnel Policies-Informational

3-17] NJ League of Municipalities-Membership Alert-Informational

3-18] Time Warner Cable-YES Network Available to Customers-Informational

3-19] Ridgefield Park Elks Annual Carnival May 15th through 19th – Informational

3-20] PSEG-Legal Notice-Freshwater Wetlands Statewide General Permit #2 – Informational.

3-21] Wireless enterprises, Ltd-Verizon Wireless Proposal-Industrial Avenue –

Bid from AT&T Wireless being reviewed. Meeting scheduled with Beattie Padovano.

3-22] Elmwood Park Health Department-Assembly Bill #1746-No response to letter from Mr. Guarino.

- 3-23] NJ League of Municipalities-Property Tax Reform movement-Resolution
- 3-24] NJ League of Municipalities-DEP Mandatory Water-Use Restrictions-Informational.
- 3-25] NJ League of Municipalities-Hot Federal Issues-Informational
- 3-26] NJ League of Municipalities-Mayor's Legislative Agenda-Informational
- 3-27] American legion Post 170-Bergen Co. Convention Ad Journal-Informational
- 3-28] NJ League of Municipalities-Grant Notification Service-Submitted 3/21/02.
- 3-29] Bergmann Associates-CSX over Overpeck Creek-File
- 3-30] NJ Meadowlands Commission-application for Zoning Certificate-Informational
- 3-31] Knights of Columbus-Financial Assistance for Education-Informational
- 3-32] NJ League of Municipalities-Project Labor Agreement-Resolution
- 3-33] Martin T. Durkin, Esq.-Emergency Access Road-Crystal Clear wants changes in agreement.
- 3-34] Board of Education Notice tentative budget approval-Mayor met with Dr. Richardson. Tax increase for school portion is approximately \$90.00. No building projects planned. Mr. Graham was impressed with State monitoring. Middle States Evaluation is next.
- 3-35] Killam Associates-Skymark Corporate Center-Informational.
- 3-36] Time Warner Cable-Channel 10 Airs Disabilities Segment-Informational
- 3-37] Time Warner-Duplicate
- 3-38] NJ Public Employment Relations Commission – Informational
- 3-39] Little Ferry-Ordinance No. 10567-4-02-Informational
- 3-40] State of New Jersey-Affirmative Action Compliance-Village has complied and passed Affirmative Action Audit. Sarah Warlikowski thanked Mr. Durkin for preparing contracts with required forms.

REPORTS:

Commissioner Anlian-No report.

Commissioner D'Auria – reported requests have been received for field permits. Schedules being prepared.

Commissioner Storer – called Time Warner regarding Mr. Molonghey's lack of cable reception.. Problem should be solved soon.

Commissioner Davis – Skymark, Fleet and First Union have filed appeals on their assessments.

Mayor Fosdick –

25th Anniversary party at the Nutrition Center on March 26th.

March 22nd fund raiser for Vic Scrivani at K of C

Letter sent to the County complaining of the listing of party affiliations in County Directory.

Business Committee thought Commissioners had to approve by-laws. This is not necessary.

Drought-Commissioner Anlian said tree planting was decreased by 40% Perennial plantings will not be done until autumn.

Library-proposed addition. Additional funds will be needed, over and above \$600,000.00 donation, for canopy, telephone system, wiring for computers, furniture, etc. There will be a fund raising campaign. Variance is needed for set back. Mr. Durkin stated he cannot represent the Library Board.

Chief Ahrlich –

Cameras will be installed in police cars by mid-April. This being funded by the Prosecutor's Office from confiscated funds.

Mayor Fosdick spoke with Roger Heebner, Engineer for CSX, regarding long term proposal for overpass at Mr. Vernon Street. Public hearing is needed. Mayor Fosdick will set a date with CSX.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the meeting adjourn at 8:40 P.M. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Davis, D'Auria, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "**YEA**".