

## **CAUCUS MEETING-MAY 8, 2003, 7:35 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 on January 6<sup>th</sup> and the Star Ledger on January 7, 2003 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

### **ROLL CALL\*\*\*\*\***

Those present were Commissioners Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick. Commissioner Anlian arrived late and Commissioner D'Auria was absent.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Davis, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the minutes of [April 22, 2003](#) be approved. On roll call Commissioners Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

### **HEARING OF CITIZENS\*\*\*\*\***

No one wished to be heard.

Mr. McIntyre reported:

Meeting with Skymark - they are interested in a mixed use of property, not only office space. They also questioned status of work on zoning code. The Planning Board has agreed to join suit with respect to Skymark and will file a brief.

Meeting with Martin T. Durkin and M. Kafafian. Hartz is not in compliance with new proposal. The Commissioners rejected the proposal. Motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner Storer that Hartz' proposal for construction of a hotel facility on village property does not comply with the terms of the lease, and Mr. McIntyre will relay this to Hartz. On roll call, Commissioners Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".

Mr. McIntyre left at 7:52 P.M.

Alan O'Grady reported:

Meeting held with Boswell regarding sidewalk peeling at north Teaneck Road. Contractor will be put on notice since project is still under two year warranty.

On the next collection calendar (July-December 2003) collection of magazines will be combined with newspaper collection.

FEMA Planning Grant-Federal funds 75%, town funds 25%. Boswell will review.

Geese-company that can aid with removal has not come to Ridgefield Park yet.

Pier/floating dock-DPW will replace existing pier after tree planting.

Commissioner Storer stated seniors will not be needing town bus.

Commissioner Anlian arrived at 8:00 P.M.

**CORRESPONDENCE\*\*\*\*\***

04-51 Letter from Niel Liquori-paving this spring-File

04-52 County Executive-Community Leaders Forum-Commissioner Storer will attend.

04-53 PSE&G Numbers for the Palisades Division-File

04-54 Albert F. Zaccone-Police Range-Village Clerk will contact Mr. Zaccone and advise him to have Johnson Soils Engineering Company do the test borings at the Police Range. Nothing further will be done at this time. Chief Ahrlich and Sgt. McGuire will also be advised.

04-55 Rutgers-Storm Water Quality Enhancement Seminar-Informational

04-56 Freeholder McPherson-Big Map Meeting-Mayor Fosdick attended meeting regarding Blueprint for Intelligent Growth Map. Proposal has been made to increase the authority of the local zoning and planning boards for development. Mt. Holly formula is satisfactory. Meeting was well attended. Ridgefield Park planner was in attendance.

04-57 Board of Education-Report of School Taxes for 2003-2004-School scores have increased from 57.4 to 67.4. Improvement will be acknowledged by letter.

04-58 Vanguard Career Services-Frazier Property-File

04-59 Bridgeview Bank-Interchange Bank-Informational

05-01 NJ Board of Public Utilities-Notice of Petition-Application on the One Call Damage Prevention System to NJ Propane Gas Industry-File

05-02 Murphy & McFadden-request of South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance-File

05-03 House of Representatives-Thank You-Resolution #2-cessation of operation of Indigo Airlines at Teterboro Airport-File

05-04 Township of Teaneck-copy of amended Ordinance-defining Administrative Officer-Informational

05-05 State of NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection-NJ Pollutant Discharge Elimination System-File

05-06 State of NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection-comment on draft update of Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan-File

05-07 St. Francis of Assisi Church – 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary St. Francis Feast-Informational

05-08 NJ Transit Public Hearing Notice-File

05-09 Loraine Riordan-Mooney-Time Warner Cable-New Position-Informational

**DISCUSSION\*\*\*\*\***

Newsletter is not being delivered to all Ridgefield Park residents. Scout masters will be asked to attend a meeting Tuesday at 7:30 P.M. to discuss problem.

Chief Ahrlich arrived at 8:15 P.M.

**REPORTS\*\*\*\*\***

Commissioner Storer – No report.

Commissioner Davis reported:

Brewster Park Improvements-Community Development Grant is \$30,000. Village must match funds.

\$25,000 additional fees for Hatch Mott MacDonald's general consultation is included in 2003 budget. Commissioner Davis will meet with L. Stefanile to discuss possible reductions in capital budget funds.

Woman's Club has suggested there be pictures available of all police officers.

Commissioner Anlian reported –

Met with Eve Mancuso to review Main Street projects, i.e., lights, repairs to sidewalks, beautification, etc. She is working on the specs and they should be ready by the end of June.

Mayor Fosdick reported:

International Night at the High School on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Executive Meeting of May 22<sup>nd</sup> will be changed to Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, Hall of Fame at the Elks at 7:00 P.M.

Susquehanna has kept its word and keeps in contact weekly regarding Emergency Road. materials have been ordered to move tracks with PSE&G and telephone company.

Watershed Management Area 5 meeting. Environmental study is needed.

Village was supposed to have been invited to attend a Freeholders' meeting. Invitation was not received.

May 27<sup>th</sup> – Time Warner Cable public hearing.

Tully appeal with County-Phil Boggia reported nothing has been heard.

Eleni Liquor License transfer-Village Clerk advised Ann Lee will act as an interpreter at hearing.

Slims has not moved dirt-summonses will be issued.

Fire trucks-Commissioner Davis said bids can be taken soon.

Parking Enforcement Officer-Chief Ahrlich stated he was waiting for Commissioners' approval. Budget will be reviewed for funds.

Village Clerk – No Report.

Chief Ahrlich reported:

Oakland has made an offer to transfer a 1986, 15 passenger van to Village. Van would be used for Honor Guard and any other necessary transportation. Commissioners approved transfer.

Phil Boggia – No Report.

**ADJOURNMENT\*\*\*\*\***

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Storer that the meeting adjourn at 8:50 P.M. On roll call Commissioners Anlian, Davis, Storer and Mayor Fosdick voted "YEA".