

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
RIDGEFIELD PARK
December 20, 2012
7:30 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 Commissioner Anlian, MacNeill, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.

Absent: Commissioner Boyd

Also present: Philip Boggia, Esq., Tara O'Grady

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick. Mayor Fosdick then asked for a moment of silent thought for Eugene McIntyre and Newtown, Ct.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Anlian, to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting of December 11, 2012.

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

Absent: Commissioner Boyd.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Motion by Commissioner Poli seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,124,674.53.

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

Absent: Commissioner Boyd

CORRESPONDENCE

Clerk O'Grady read a letter of acceptance from Hose Co. No. 2 for Michael Rhode.

Motion by Mayor Fosdick seconded by Commissioner Anlian the membership of Michael Rhode be accepted subject to approval by the New Jersey State Firemen's Association.

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

Absent: Commissioner Boyd

HEARING OF CITIZENS

There were no comments from the public.

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NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Fosdick announces that the following business is considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration.

RESOLUTIONS

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| 2012-155 | Approve 2013 Meeting Dates – Annual Meeting Notice |
| 2012-156 | Appoint Village Attorney |
| 2012-157 | Appoint Insurance Consultants |
| 2012-158 | Appoint Various Professional Services |
| 2012-159 | Appoint Appraisal Services |
| 2012-160 | Appoint Fire Inspectors |
| 2012-161 | Appoint Court Personnel |
| 2012-162 | Appoint Qualified Purchasing Agent |
| 2012-163 | Appoint Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Associate Registrar |
| 2012-164 | Appoint Construction Board of Appeals Member |
| 2012-165 | Appoint Emergency Management Council |
| 2012-166 | Appoint Environmental Commission Members |
| 2012-167 | Appoint Historic Preservation Commissioner Members |
| 2012-168 | Appoint Historic Preservation Enforcement Officer |
| 2012-169 | Appoint Library Board Members |
| 2012-170 | Appoint Planning Board Members |
| 2012-171 | Appoint Pool Commission Members |
| 2012-172 | Appoint Local Assistance Board Members |
| 2012-173 | Appoint Rent Stabilization Board Members |
| 2012-174 | Appoint Southeast Senior Center for Independent Living Member |
| 2012-175 | Appoint Zoning Board Members |
| 2012-176 | Authorize Refund of Tax Overpayment |
| 2012-177 | Authorize 2012 Budget Transfers |
| 2012-178 | Authorize purchase of Carpeting under NJ State Contract |
| 2012-179 | Authorize Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission |
| 2012-180 | Authorize Tax Lien Redemption Block 134 Lot 4 |
| 2012-181 | Authorize Cancellation of Small Property Tax Balances |
| 2012-182 | Authorize Cancellation of 2010 Tax Overpayments |

Motion by Commissioner MacNeill, seconded by Commissioner Poli, that the Consent Agenda be approved.

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

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ORDINANCE: PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION

COMMISSIONER ANLIAN CALLED UP FOR SECOND READING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED:

ORDINANCE 2012-09

2012-09 ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR BLOCK 49.01 LOT 1, BLOCK 146.02 LOT 1 IN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW

The clerk presented affidavit of publication, showing that advertisement had been made according to law, which was ordered filed. Commissioner Anlian moved a public hearing be held on the ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner MacNeill. So ordered. Commissioner Anlian read the ordinance by title on second reading. Commissioner Anlian then announced that all interested parties would now be given opportunity to be heard for or against the adoption of the ordinance.

After ample opportunity was given, no interested parties commented on the ordinance.

Commissioner Anlian moved the hearing be closed. So ordered.

Commissioner Anlian moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage, which motion was seconded by Commissioner MacNeill and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

RECESS

Motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to recess until the Ambulance Corps. members return from an emergency call and are in attendance.

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

The Board of Commissioners convened recess at 7:40 p.m.

On a motion by Mayor Fosdick, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 7:44 p.m.

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SPECIAL REPORTS

Installation of the Ridgefield Park Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Officers.

Commissioner Poli asked Captain Zapata to give his annual report.

Captain Zapata stated as of December 20, 2012, the Volunteer Ambulance Corps. responded to 1,137 Emergency Calls, a 24% increase from the previous year. Holy Name Hospital responded to 57 of the Village calls in 2012, a 7% decrease from the previous year. The Corps. has received 49 new adult members and 7 new youth members. The Corps worked closely with the other Emergency Services in the Village during Hurricane Sandy. Training continues to be a top priority for the Corps. They are anticipating another successful year in 2012. He then asked the Board of Commissioner to consider increasing their budget.

Captain Zapata thanked the Commissioners, Police Department, Fire Department, Rescue Squad, OEM, DPW, and the Clerk's office.

Commissioner Poli thanked the Captain and asked Mrs. O'Grady to administer the oath of office to the Lieutenants, Mechanic, and Administrative Officers of the Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

1st Lieutenant Georgios Kotzias
2nd Lieutenant Orestis Kotzias
3rd Lieutenant Robyn Florio
Mechanic Luis Cruz

President Parag Badami
Vice President Irma Rutkowski
Treasurer Kate Spontak
Secretary Marge Sellen

Commissioner Poli administered the oath of office to Captain Silvio Zapata III.

Commissioner Poli stated that although the Corps. had some issues this past year, Silvio did a great job. The Ambulance is in service all the time, day and night. He added that he is proud to be a member of the Ambulance Corps. and thanked them all for their hard work; he then wished them a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Anlian told the Corps. the volunteers in Ridgefield Park make Ridgefield Park a community. The amount of training is incredible and sometimes the volunteers are taken for granted. He thanked the volunteers for their dedication and wished them a Merry Christmas and hopes 2013 is a good year.

Commissioner MacNeill stated the figures are incredible and to double the membership is outstanding. He told the Corps. to keep up the good work and to keep the door up. He then wished them a Merry Christmas.

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Mayor Fosdick thanked the Corps for the wonderful job they do all the time. He added Pearl Harbor, JFK Assassination, 9/11 Terrorist Attacks, and Newtown Ct. are events of significance to him. He reminded us evil is in the world in which we live. Volunteers overshadow this evil. We are surrounded by people who are willing to help neighbors and strangers. This community is eternally thankful every day. He commended the Corps. and expressed appreciation from the Village. He wished them a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. He then added the most important thing to do this holiday is to be with family and friends.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner MacNeill to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 PM.

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

/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
Village Clerk

Approved on January 8, 2013