

**COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**  
**RIDGEFIELD PARK**  
**December 26, 2017**  
**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 22, 2016 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were Commissioners Anlian, Kohles, Poli and Mayor Fosdick in the Chair.  
Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

Also present: Phil Boggia, Village Attorney and Tara O'Grady, Village Clerk.

**FLAG SALUTE**

The flag salute was led by Mayor Fosdick.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Commissioner Poli, seconded by Commissioner Anlian to approve the minutes of the Commissioners Regular Meeting and Closed Session Meeting of December 12, 2017.

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

**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Motion by Commissioner Kohles, seconded by Commissioner Anlian to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$735,980.82.

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

**SPECIAL REPORTS**

**Installation of Ridgefield Park Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Officers.**

Commissioner Poli asked Captain Kotzias to give his annual report.

Captain Kotzias stated as of December 26<sup>th</sup> there have been 700+ calls. He thanked the Rescue Squad for their assistance and for taking 66 calls in 2017. There are currently over 30 actively riding members.

Captain Kotzias thanked the Commissioners, Police Department, Fire Department, DPW and the Village Clerk's office.

Captain Kotzias would like the Board of Commissioners to consider purchasing new ambulances.

Mrs. O'Grady administered the Oaths of Office to the administrative officers.

Vice President – Ricardo Poli (absent)  
Treasurer – I. Yanes  
Chaplain – Randall Koch (absent)  
Secretary – Jane Lee  
Mechanic – Edwin Hernandez

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Mrs. O'Grady administered the Oath of Office to President Silvio Zapata.

Mrs. O'Grady administered the Oaths of Office to:

1<sup>st</sup> Asst. Chief Grecco  
2<sup>nd</sup> Asst. Chief Weidner  
3<sup>rd</sup> Asst. Chief Djamoos

Commissioner Poli administered the Oath of Office to Chief Thomas.

Commissioner Poli stated he is proud of all the members of the Ambulance Corps. Although, they had a rough start to 2017, they got through it. Construction in the building is completed. Thank you for all your hard work. Good job.

Commissioner Anlian thanked the volunteers for doing a wonderful job for Ridgefield Park.

Commissioner Kohles thanked Chief Kotzias for his service and wished good luck to the new officers. It would be difficult to run a community without volunteers.

Mayor Fosdick thanked George Kotzias for his time as Chief. The secret to success is to always strive to do even better. You go into people's homes and deal with terrified people – you have to have kindness, understanding and humility. He thanked and commended all for all that they do.

### **RECESS**

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Kohles to recess for 10 minutes.

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

Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

The Board of Commissioners convened recess at 7:53 p.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Kohles, the Board of Commissioners returned to open session at 8:00 p.m.

### **COMMISSIONERS REPORTS**

No reports.

### **HEARING OF CITIZENS**

No citizens present.

### **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:**

2017-168	Designate Signatories for Banking Purposes
2017-169	Designate Official Depositories of the Village
2017-170	Designate Official Newspapers of the Village
2017-171	Authorize Rate of Interest on Delinquent Taxes
2017-172	Authorize Establishment of Petty Cash Funds
2017-173	Appoint Construction Board of Appeals Member
2017-174	Appoint Municipal Court Personnel

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**RESOLUTIONS: (continued)**

2017-175	Appoint Emergency Management Council
2017-176	Appoint Environmental Commission Members
2017-177	Appoint Fire Inspectors
2017-178	Appoint Fire Official
2017-179	Appoint Green Team Members
2017-180	Appoint Historic Preservation Commission Members
2017-181	Appoint Library Board Trustees
2017-182	Appoint Local Assistance Board Members
2017-183	Appoint Planning Board Members
2017-184	Appoint Pool Commission Members
2017-185	Appoint Rent Stabilization Board Members
2017-186	Appoint Shade Tree Commission Members
2017-187	Authorize Tax Lien Redemptions
2017-188	Authorize Cancellation of Bond Sale Costs
2017-189	Authorize Cancellation of Preliminary Expenses
2017-190	Appoint Village Attorney
2017-191	Appoint Insurance Consultants
2017-192	Appoint Appraisal Services
2017-193	Appoint Various Professional Services
2017-194	Appoint Qualified Purchasing Agent
2017-195	Authorize Budget Transfers

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Kohles that the Consent Agenda be approved.

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

Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

**ORDINANCE PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION**

2017-07      AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE VILLAGE CODE TO ADD A NEW CHAPTER 216 ENTITLED “GARAGE SALES”

The clerk presented affidavit of publication, showing that advertisement had been made according to law, which was ordered filed. Commissioner Poli moved a public hearing be held on the ordinance and was seconded by Commissioner Kohles. So ordered. Commissioner Poli read the ordinance by title on second reading. Commissioner Poli 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 Poli moved the ordinance be adopted on second reading and final passage, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Kohles and adopted upon a call of the roll.

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

Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Anlian, seconded by Commissioner Kohles to adjourn meeting at 8:02 p.m.

On roll call, Commissioner Anlian, Kohles, Poli and Mayor Fosdick voted “YEA”.

Absent: Commissioner MacNeill

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

/s/John H. Anlian  
Commissioner

/s/Theresa A. Kohles  
Commissioner

Abstain  
Commissioner MacNeill

/s/ Hugo R. Poli  
Commissioner

/s/ George D. Fosdick  
Mayor

/s/ Tara O’Grady  
Village Clerk

Approved on January 9, 2018