

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING AGENDA
RIDGEFIELD PARK
April 6, 2023
7:00 PM

Mayor Anlian announces 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 29, 2022 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Village Website.

ROLL CALL

CORRESPONDENCE

03-17 Local Finance Notice 2023-06

03-18 Melissa Cavins – High School Graduation Ceremony

03-19 NJLM Weekly Round-Up

03-20 Jessica DeGraff, Independent LSRP – 181 Main Street

04-01 Bergen County Utilities Authority – Public Hearing Connection Fees

04-02 Natasha Suarez – Highland Place Block Party

04-03 Phil Boggia, Village Attorney – Active Bald Eagle Nest Protection Plan

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Anlian 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:

2023-61 Authorize Compliance - Bond Anticipation Note

2023-62 Authorize Street Closure – Garden Street 2023-51

2023-63 Authorize Profession Service Consulting Contract with Lexipol

HEARING OF CITIZENS

REPORTS

Mayor & Commissioners
Village Attorney
Superintendent DPW

Chief of Police
Village Clerk

CLOSED SESSION

2023-64 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2023-61

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, COVENANTING TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, APPLICABLE TO THE EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES OF INTEREST ON OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, VILLAGE CLERK, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND OTHER VILLAGE OFFICIALS TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THEY MAY DEEM NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE TO EFFECT SUCH COMPLIANCE AND DESIGNATING A \$7,640,000 BOND ANTICIPATION NOTE, DATED APRIL 6, 2023, PAYABLE APRIL 5, 2024, AS A "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATION" PURSUANT TO SECTION 265(b)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the Village of Ridgefield Park, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Village") from time to time issues bonds, notes and other obligations, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for Federal income tax purposes, and desires to take such action as may be necessary or advisable to establish and maintain such exclusion; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), contains provisions with respect to the exclusion from gross income for Federal income tax purposes of interest on obligations, including provisions, among others, which require issuers of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Village to account for and rebate certain arbitrage earnings to the United

States Treasury and to take other action to establish and maintain such Federal tax exclusion; and

WHEREAS, the Village intends to issue a \$7,640,000 bond anticipation note, dated April 6, 2023, payable April 5, 2024 (the "Note"); and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to designate the Note as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, The Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, DO RESOLVE as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board of Commissioners hereby covenants on behalf of the Village, to the extent permitted by the Constitution and the laws of the State of New Jersey, to do and perform all acts and things permitted by law and necessary to assure that interest paid on bonds, notes or other obligations of the Village (including the Note) be and remain excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code.

SECTION 2. The Mayor, Village Clerk, Chief Financial Officer and the other officials of the Village are hereby authorized and directed to take such action, make such

representations and give such assurances as they may deem necessary or advisable to effect compliance with the Code.

SECTION 3. The Note is hereby designated as a "qualified tax-exempt obligation" for the purpose of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.

SECTION 4. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said Note is not a "private activity bond" as defined in the Code and (2) the Village and its subordinate entities, if any, do not reasonably anticipate issuing in excess of \$10 million of new money tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) during the calendar year 2023.

SECTION 5. It is further determined and stated that the Village has not, as of the date hereof, issued any tax-exempt obligations (other than the Note) during the calendar year 2023.

SECTION 6. The Village will, to the best of its ability, attempt to comply with respect to the limitations on issuance of tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code; however, said Village does not covenant to do so, and hereby expressly states that a covenant is not made hereby.

SECTION 7. The issuing officers of the Village are hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution

to the original purchaser of the Note and to further provide such original purchaser with a certificate of obligations issued during the calendar year 2023 dated as of the date of delivery of the Note.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

Resolution 2023-62

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, will hold their Annual Fish and Chips fundraiser on Friday, April 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 has requested permission for Garden Street to be closed to traffic and parking on Friday, April 7, 2023 between the hours of 3 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 will notify all Garden Street residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the closing of Garden Street, from Brinkerhoff Street to Winant Avenue, from 3 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on April 7, 2023.

Resolution 2023-63

RESOLUTION APPROVING PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONSULTING CONTRACT WITH LEXIPOL CONCERNING SAFETY AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Village of Ridgefield Park Fire Department seeks to retain the professional services of a Technical Assistance company to update and create the new policies for public safety agency operation in the Village Fire department; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Local public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., contracts for professional services are exempt from public bidding; and

WHEREAS, The Ridgefield Park Fire Department currently relies on inadequate and outdated policies, bylaws and regulations that do not reflect current standards; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol is a nationally recognized and award-winning company that provides fully developed state specific policies that are researched and written by public safety professionals. The need for new policies must be based upon nationwide standards and best practices that also incorporate state and federal laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol offers online training for public safety agencies that face unprecedented challenges from security threats and national disasters to the opioid epidemic, Lexipol's learning platform combines online training to manage credentials, track and report training hours, and provides grant services; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol has submitted a proposal, a copy of which is on file with the Village Clerk, to prepare the following:

- (a) Annual fire policy phase 1 manual and daily training bulletins (12 months) for a unit price of \$1,771.75
- (b) Fire Tier I implementation for a unit price of \$2,140.00
- (c) Fire Tier II implementation for a unit price of \$2,220.00

Total Price: \$6,131.75; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners believes that awarding this contract to Lexipol to perform the tasks of technical compliance for the Fire Department is in the best interest of the Village of Ridgefield Park; and

WHEREAS, the Village 's Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds have been appropriated and are available for this purpose in account number 01-2010-25-2652-100.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park that the above-referenced contract is hereby awarded as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Lexipol 2611 Internet Blvd., Suite 100 Frisco, TX 75034	\$6,131.75 As per proposal

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Commissioner-in-Charge of Public Safety and Village Clerk are hereby directed, authorized and empowered to enter into contract with Lexipol consistent with this Resolution, subject to approval by the Village Attorney.