

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
RIDGEFIELD PARK
August 12, 2025
7:30 PM

Mayor MacNeill 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 31, 2024 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Village Website.

This agenda is listed as a courtesy and attempt to inform the public of actions being considered by the Village Board of Commissioners. There may be additions and deletions prior to the Board taking final action. Any action may be taken at any meeting, which includes all Caucus and Regular sessions. The Commissioners reserve the right to conduct and/or attend any meetings presently scheduled for the rest of 2025 by a combination of electronic and/or in-person means. Meetings are open to the public.

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioners Regular Meeting of July 8, 2025

Commissioners Closed Session Meeting of July 8, 2025

Commissioners Closed Session Meeting of June 24, 2025

CORRESPONDENCE

Ridgefield Park Fire Department Hose Co. No. 1 – New Member

PAYMENT OF BILLS

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

HEARING OF CITIZENS

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor MacNeill 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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| 2025-77 | Approve the Restriction of Methods of Payment made within the Village |
| 2025-78 | Authorize Expenditure of Fire Prevention Dedicated Funds |
| 2025-79 | Appoint Municipal Representatives to the Bergen County Community Development Regional Committee |
| 2025-80 | Appoint Registrar Personnel |
| 2025-81 | Appoint Municipal Housing Liaisons |
| 2025-82 | Authorize Liquor License Renewal |

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

2025-11 ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF THE JAKE’S LAW PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FACILITIES AT FELLOWSHIP PARK FOR INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND DESIGN AND EQUIPMENT IN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AND APPROPRIATING \$650,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL FUND–THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE VILLAGE

2025-12 AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 329 OF THE VILLAGE CODE, ENTITLED “TREE REMOVAL-REPLACEMENT”

CLOSED SESSION (if necessary)

2025-83 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 2025-77

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RESTRICTION OF METHODS OF PAYMENT MADE WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Village of Ridgefield Park deems that the collection of cash in the municipal building by officials of the Village in the course of the performance of their official duties is not in the best interest of the staff and public; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interests and safety of those officials at the municipal building that the Village hereby establish a no cash policy restricting the method of payments made within the municipal building to personal checks, bank or certified checks, money orders or other electronic methods as it deems appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village will no longer accept cash payments for business within the municipal building, and the only acceptable form of payment for Village business within the municipal building will be in the form of personal check, bank check, certified check, money order, or other electronic methods or payments for the court; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Officials to whom this policy applies be and are hereby authorized and directed to give reasonable public notice of this policy.

Resolution 2025-78

WHEREAS, the Fire Marshal, Peter Danzo has requested payment be made to Turnout Fire & Safety, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure is a permitted use of funds in the Fire Prevention Dedicated Account.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the following expenditure:

Turnout Fire & Safety, Inc.

\$1,085.42

Resolution 2025-79

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Village of Ridgefield Park has entered into a three (3) year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:8a-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires that the Municipal Governing Body appoint a representative and alternate for the PY 2025-2026 term starting July 1, 2025 and ending on June 30, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park hereby appoints Matthew Reber as its representative and Askar Mirza as its alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for PY 2025-2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Bergen County Division of Community Development, One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601.

Resolution 2025-80

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes appoints the following personnel to the Office of Registrar:

Registrar: Elizabeth VanGeldren, unexpired term effective retroactively from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Deputy Registrar: Jana Carratu, unexpired term effective retroactively from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025

Alternate Registrar: Alexandra Crescimbeni, unexpired term effective immediately through December 31, 2025

RESOLUTION 2025-81

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL HOUSING LIAISON

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 2024, c.2, the Village of Ridgefield Park is required to appoint a Municipal Housing Liaison for the oversight of administration of the Village of Ridgefield Park's affordable housing program to enforce the requirements of the law and N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Ridgefield Park has amended Chapter 172-21 of the Village Code entitled Municipal Housing Liaison to provide for the appointment of a Municipal Housing Liaison to administer the Village of Ridgefield Park's affordable housing program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park in the County of Bergen, and the State of New Jersey that Barbara DeLuca and Jana Carratu are hereby appointed by the Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park as the Municipal Housing Liaison for the administration of the affordable housing program, pursuant to and in accordance with the Chapter 172 of the Village of Ridgefield Park Code

Resolution 2025-82

WHEREAS, a renewal application for the following liquor license has been filed, with the appropriate State and Village fees:

Plenary Retail Consumption:
GNA Real LLC

No. 0250-33-012-003

WHEREAS, the above applicant has been issued their Tax Clearance Certificate.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the above license be approved for renewal by the Board of Commissioners in the Village of Ridgefield Park for the licensing term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that when said licenses are issued, they shall be signed by the Mayor of the Village of Ridgefield Park and a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the State of New Jersey, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.