

A work session of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield was held on February 28, 2011 at the Ridgefield Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey

Call to Order: 5:30 P.M

Mayor Suarez stated that this meeting of Ridgefield Mayor and Council is being conducted pursuant to the Open Public meeting Act, Adequate notice of the meeting has been given by publishing notice in the Record, Furthermore, and notice was posted on the Bulletin Board of the Borough of Ridgefield Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Mayor Suarez, Councilmen Castelli, Todd, Vincentz, Severino , Acosta , and Jimenez were present.

Executive Director Senator Marcia A. Karrow from the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission wanted to attend tonight meeting to introduce herself. Mayor Suarez thanked her for attending tonight's meeting. Mayor Suarez stated that the Mayor and Council main concern is what money they will be receiving from the Meadowlands Commission because it is a huge impact on the budget. Some people are scared that the borough is making overpayments into this fund regarding COAH.

Councilman Vincentz commented on the new potholes that were filled last filled and stated they have withstood a very difficult winter thus far. Marcia A. Karrow spoke about the prospect of a new solar program for the borough of Ridgefield as well. Councilman Vincentz stated that the previous grant was a surplus grant divided over five or six years giving back to the borough and when those funds ran out there was no surplus of that money left over. Councilman Vincentz asked if he wasn't mistaken, we received another year based on earnings. Senator Marcia A. Karrow stated that Councilman Vincentz is correct.

Senator Marcia A. Karrow stated that they will begin the Master program; she stated that she signed the federal agreement today. Its a million dollar grant from the federal government to align traffic lights along Route 17 and Route 46 so the traffic lights will change along with the traffic. She stated this will give the juror-district to coordinate all the traffic lights thru the DOT.

Carl Jenne spoke about the library's HVAC system and gave an update. Carl Jenne stated that he recived authorization from the Mayor and Council last fall for five tasks; to evaulte and review the exisiting system, prices that we recived from contractors to be reviewed, review documenation from the mediation, interview some of the professional that were involved, hire a balancer and a electrican for system performance evaluation and prepare a summary report with a scope of work then prepare specs. Carl Jenne stated that he recived data from Gary Bonacci that had been collected in the administrator's office, and he also reached out to Capazzi for the aritectual drawings. Carl had some discussion with Stephen Pellino to get the records in his office. Carl stated that John Fisher had a meeting with F&G, a meeting with all contractors, Councilman Castelli

recommended that they do not reach out to ASM, for it may be inappropriate. They reached out to all the suppliers of all the equipment and received operation and maintenance manuals, users manuals from the manufacturers and shop drawings for all major equipment. With all that information Carl Jenne and John Fisher schedule a day to submit individual inspections on the system. Carl stated that the investigation on December 10th confirmed that the damer control monitors were missing, discharge sensors were missing, free status discharge circuit sensors were all missing, some thermostat were not working, never any startup with the energy recovery, and there is security issue with the doors. Jon Fisher suggested that there are numbers of the pieces that need to be repaired or replaced, they will present how they could achieve that, the town could acquire some of that equipment and could possibly install it. John feels evaluating some of the work and the equipment that does need repairs; the cost of the work may be within the bid threshold of \$32,000.

Carl Jenne stated that they are looking to begin work starting in April. Carl will draft up a summarization for the Mayor and Council of all the work that needs to be done. Councilman Severino requested an estimate of whatever we spend on repairs and if it's too high and not feasible is there an alternate route. Carl Jenne stated that it's not so much the system as the components that need repairs. Carl Jenne stated that he'll find an electrician within his budget.

Carl Jenne stated that for the DPW underground storage tank, he provided the Mayor and Council, a remedial investigation which was prepared and submitted to the DEP in October. Carl Jenne stated that DEP as part of the license psy-remediation professional concept will not be involved in reviewing anything. The DEP came up with another form rather than RIR report, it's a five page table that we would be responsible for sending them so they can look at it without reviewing because they not suppose to review stuff for the LSRP. That form is filled out and Carl submitted it to the Mayor and Council who is supposed to certify it. Two other requirements by the DEP, we have to submit a site evaluation form and a public notification form for the property owners adjacent to it, Carl provided draft copies of those and again the Mayor and Council have to sign and certify them so they can be submitted. Carl stated that while we submitted the remedial investigation report in November, the DEP didn't do anything with it and haven't told us if they agree with the sampling. Only when the DEP concurs can we move forward.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Prina
Acting Borough Clerk