

BOROUGH OF ROSELAND
NEW JERSEY

FEBRUARY 24, 2018
CONFERENCE ROOM
140 EAGLE ROCK AVENUE
9:30 AM

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The February 24, 2018 Special Budget Meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 9:30 AM by Mayor Duthie. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in that Notice of the meeting was sent to the official newspapers, posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

IN ATTENDANCE: John Duthie, Mayor
Christopher Bardi, Councilman
David Jacobs, Councilman
Richard N. Leonard, Councilman
Michelle Tolli, Council President
Thomas Tsilionis, Councilman

ABSENT: Peter M. Smith, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk
Ethan Jesse Sheffet, Borough Attorney

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Duthie led the salute to the flag.

DISCUSSION

Administrator Chumacas presented Council with worksheets to review and discuss the following budget items:

1. Capital Improvements
 - a. New Capital Request from the Fire Department – Council asked that the Fire Chief provide additional information regarding the request to purchase thirty-six new air packs at a projected cost of \$285,000.00
2. Current Fund Budget
 - a. Budget Levy Cap
 - b. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes-2018 Tax Rate – The December 31, 2017 settlement of a tax appeal has resulted in an increase in the amount of uncollected taxes in 2017. This resulted in an increase in the amount required to be raised by taxes in 2018 by \$140,000.00. Council decided to decrease the 2018 reserve for tax appeal settlements by \$140,000.00 in order to keep the budget increase at or below 2%.

- c. Review of Fund Balance
- d. Review of Revenue

Chris Murphy, 138 Passaic Avenue was granted permission to ask questions about the Anticipated Revenue worksheet

- e. Review of Budget Appropriations
 - f. Budget Worksheets
- 3. Open Space Trust Fund
 - 4. Review of Trust Funds
 - 5. Special Request Municipal Youth Guidance Budget -- the request to increase the budget from \$1,250.00 to \$1,500.00 was approved
 - 6. Special Request Building Grounds Budget

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chris Murphy 138 Passaic Avenue

EXECUTIVE SESSION


Borough Attorney Sheffet read Resolution No 89-2018 Approval to Close to Executive Session at 11:18 AM to discuss the following:

- 1. Personnel

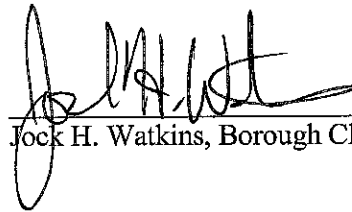
Councilman Bardi made a motion to close to Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tolli and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Jacobs made a motion to close Executive Session and adjourn at 12:58 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tsilionis and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).



Mayor John Duthie



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

Approved: June 5, 2018

ROLL CALL

Aye: Bardi, Jacobs, Smith, Tsilionis
Nay: None
Abstain: Leonard
Absent: Tolli