

BOROUGH OF ROSELAND  
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

FEBRUARY 24, 2024  
19 HARRISON AVENUE  
9:00 AM OPEN SESSION  
EXECUTIVE SESSION TO FOLLOW IF NEEDED

**COUNCIL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES**

The February 24, 2024 budget meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 9:00 AM by Mayor Spango. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in the date, time and location of the meeting were included in the Annual Meeting Schedule, and 48-hour notice of the change of location of the meeting was sent to the official newspapers, posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building, posted on the Borough's website, and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk. This meeting was also available via Zoom conference call.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

James R. Spango, Mayor  
John Biront, Councilman  
Eileen Fishman, Councilwoman  
Jean Perrotti, Councilwoman  
Marcelino Trillo, Councilman

**ABSENT:**

Christopher Bardi, Council President  
Roger Freda, Councilman

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator  
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk  
Joni McDonnell, Borough Attorney

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

Mayor Spango led the salute to the flag.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**DISCUSSION**

Mrs. Chumacas summarized the remaining department budgets: Administration, Collection of Taxes, Clerk, Construction Code, Land Use Administration, and Municipal Court.

Mrs. Chumacas explained that the water/sewer budget cannot be completed until the 2024 sewer rates are received from the Borough of Caldwell. A notice from Caldwell is expected any day. Once the rates are received, Mrs. Chumacas can complete the budget, after which the final budget meeting can be scheduled. The deadline to submit the budget is the March 19<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

Mayor Spango explained that Council needs to go into executive session to discuss a staffing issue. After executive session, Council will return to open session but will take no formal action other than to adjourn the meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

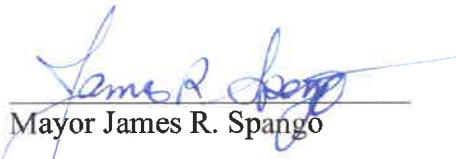
Janet Treamont	38 Leonard Terrace
William Tedesco	20 Meeker Court

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

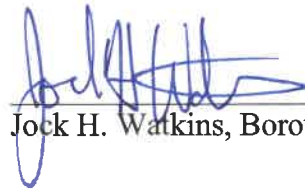
Councilman Trillo made a motion to approve Resolution No. 79A-2024 Approval to Close to Executive Session at 9:31 AM to discuss a staffing issue. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Bardi, Freda absent).

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 AM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Bardi, Freda absent).



Mayor James R. Spango



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

Approved: February 27, 2024

### **VOICE VOTE**

Aye: Biront, Fishman, Perrotti, Trillo  
Nay: None  
Recuse: Bardi, Freda  
Absent: None