

BOROUGH OF ROSELAND
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

APRIL 3, 2018
PUBLIC MEETING ROOM
140 EAGLE ROCK AVENUE
7:30 PM

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The April 3, 2018 meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Duthie. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in that the date and location of the meeting were included in the Annual Meeting Schedule, 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
David Jacobs, Councilman
Richard N. Leonard, Councilman
Michelle Tolli, Council President

ABSENT:

Christopher Bardi, Councilman
Peter M. Smith, Councilman
Thomas Tsilionis, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk
Ethan Jesse Sheffet, Borough Attorney

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Duthie led the Salute to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ed Burke, The Progress

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Jacobs made a motion to approve the seven resolutions and the eight Consent Agenda items:

Resolution No. 127-2018 Approval to hire seasonal employees for the 2018 T-Ball recreation program

Resolution No. 128-2018 Approval to hire seasonal employees for the 2018 Track & Field recreation program

Resolution No. 129-2018 Approval to hire seasonal employees for the 2018 Youth Baseball/Softball recreation program

Resolution No. 130-2018 Authorizing the cancellation of certain developers Escrow Trust Accounts for the Borough of Roseland

Resolution No. 131-2018 Appointing John Manganaro of Water Resource Management Inc. as Water Operator and Waste Water Operator

Resolution No. 132-2018 Approval of umpires for Men's Softball League

Resolution No. 133-2018 Approving March 30, 2018 Bill List

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval for Maureen Chumacas to attend "Government Unplugged" Seminar on 5/4/18 in Totowa, NJ for a total cost of \$95.00

Approval of Caldwell Little League for Sanctioned Group Status

Approval for Alla Nudel to attend NJ Court Administrator's Conference on 4/27/18 at the Brownstone in Paterson, NJ for a total cost of \$40.00

Approve application of William Styskal Jr. for the Roseland Volunteer Fire Department

Approval for Paul Bilancia, Matt Popola and Douglas Yates to attend "Man in Machine" Training Seminar in Morris Plains, NJ for a total cost of \$450.00

Acceptance of Trinity Baptist Church's Certificate of Insurance to use O'Beirne Field on 8/6/18 from 5:30 PM to 11:00 PM for a softball game

Accept new insurance requirements for use of borough property

Approval of the 2018 Roseland Recreation Tennis/Pickle Ball Court Policy

Councilman Leonard seconded the motion and the motion was adopted by a 3-0 voice vote (Bardi, Smith, and Tsilionis absent).

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Duthie announced that the Environmental Commission will be hosting an open public discussion on Saturday, April 7th from 9:00 AM until 10:00 AM at the public library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS

In Councilman Smith's absence, Administrator Chumacas advised Council that the Deputy Superintendent of the Department of Public Works sent an e-mail explaining that the DPW will need to work overtime in order to get routine and emergency work completed. Without working overtime hours, the routine work of getting parks and fields ready for spring opening, and the quarterly water meter reading, would be delayed as a result of the effort required to cleanup tree damage caused by the recent spate of late season, heavy snowfalls.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Administrator Chumacas reported that Pierce Manufacturing has submitted two invoices totaling \$568,880.00 for progress payments on the new fire engine under construction. It is customary that payment not be made until the vehicle is delivered. The manufacturer has offered to give a reduction in the amount of \$11,000.00 if the invoices for progress payments are paid now. The total cost of the contract is \$890,000.00. After discussion, Council authorized CFO Chumacas to utilize her judgement to determine if the added cost of borrowing the money sooner to pay the bills now is worth the discount offered.

RECREATION

Mrs. Tolli reported that she has received an inquiry about the presence or removal of railroad tracks in the recently purchased railroad right of way. After discussion, Council believes that the tracks have been removed, but the ties remain.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Councilman Leonard reported that the DPW is making good headway in picking up tree branches town wide.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

No report

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

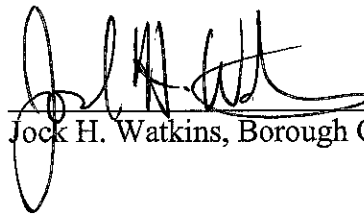
John Matheis, OEM Coordinator

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Leonard made a motion to close the meeting at 7:45 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jacobs and approved by a 3-0 voice vote (Bardi, Smith, and Tsilionis absent).



Mayor John Duthie



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

Approved: April 17, 2018

ROLL CALL

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