## BOROUGH OF ROSELAND COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

JANUARY 4, 2022 VIA ZOOM ONLY 7:00 PM OPEN SESSION

## 2022 MAYOR AND COUNCIL REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

Due to the recent surge of new cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19), the January 4, 2022 reorganization meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:00 PM via Zoom teleconference by Mayor Spango. 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. Adequate notice of the change to a remote 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.

Mayor Spango read the sunshine statement and called to 2021 Borough Council to Order. Clerk Watkins called the roll with Mayor James R. Spango, Councilman Christopher Bardi, Councilwoman Eileen Fishman, Councilman Roger Freda, Councilwoman Jean Perrotti, Councilwoman Michele Tolli, and Councilman Marcelino Trillo all present. Also in attendance were Borough Administrator Maureen Chumacas, Borough Clerk Jock H. Watkins, and Borough Attorney Joni McDonnell.

### SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Spango led the salute to the flag.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

#### **ADJOURNMENT OF 2021 COUNCIL**

Councilwoman Tolli made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

### **OATH OF OFFICE**

Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill administered the Oath of Office to Councilwoman Elect Eileen Fishman.

Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill administered the Oath of Office to Councilman Elect Roger Freda.

Mayor Spango read the sunshine statement and called the 2022 Borough Council to Order at 7:16 PM. Clerk Watkins called the roll with Mayor James R. Spango, Councilman Christopher Bardi, Councilwoman Eileen Fishman, Councilman Roger Freda, Councilwoman Jean Perrotti,

Councilwoman Michele Tolli, and Councilman Marcelino Trillo all present. Also in attendance were Borough Administrator Maureen Chumacas, Borough Clerk Jock H. Watkins, and Borough Attorney Joni McDonnell.

### **ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Councilwoman Tolli nominated Councilwoman Perrotti for the office of Council President. There being no other nominations, Mayor Spango closed the nominations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

### APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1-2022 Appointment of the firm Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC as Borough Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilman Freda and approved by a 5-0 voice vote, with Councilwoman Fishman abstaining from the vote.

### COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND LIAISON ASSIGNMENTS

Council President Perrotti made a motion to approve the following standing committees of Council and liaison assignments for 2022:

#### STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL - 2022

	Chairman	Vice-Chairman	Member
Finance and Administration <sup>1</sup>	Bardi	Fishman	Trillo
Public Works <sup>1</sup>	Freda	Tolli	Perrotti
Public Safety <sup>1</sup>	Perrotti	Freda	Tolli
Community Outreach & Shared Services	Tolli	Perrotti	Freda
Recreation	Trillo	Bardi	Fishman
Redevelopment and Legal	Fishman	Trillo	Bardi
Police Committee <sup>1</sup> [Ref. 2-24.4]			

Note: <sup>1</sup> Chairpersons of Finance and Administration, Public Works, and Public Safety Committees comprise the Police Committee

### Finance and Administration (Councilman Bardi)

- Finance and Administration
- Personnel
- Clerk
- IT
- Tax Collection
- Tax Assessment
- Citizen Notification
- Fire Prevention
- Code Enforcement
- Liaison to the Library Board

## Redevelopment and Legal (Councilwoman Fishman)

- Construction Code
- Development of Land
- Open Space
- Senior Programs
- Social Services Relief Fund, Food Bank
- Liaison to the Board of Adjustment
- Liaison to the Planning Board
- Liaison to the Affordable Housing Board
- Liaison to the Senior Citizens Advisory Board

## Public Safety (Councilwoman Perrotti)

- Police
- Police Dispatch
- OEM
- Fire Department
- Municipal Court
- Liaison to the Landmarks and Historic Commission

### Public Works (Councilman Freda)

- Road Repairs
- Building and Grounds
- Garbage
- Storm Clearance
- Vehicles
- Condominium Service Act
- First Aid Squad
- Liaison to the Board of Health

# Community Outreach and Shared Services (Councilwoman Tolli)

- Municipal Alliance
  - o Municipal Youth Guidance
  - o Mental Health Task Force
- Family Activities
- Animal Control
- Senior Citizen Transportation
- Liaison to the Beautification Committee
- Liaison to the Environmental Commission

### Recreation (Councilman Trillo)

- Recreation Programming
  - Youth Sports

- o Adult Sports
- Camp Wyanokie
- Liaison to the Roseland Board of Education
- Liaison to the West Essex Board of Education
- Liaison to the Recreation Committee

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tolli and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

# ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve the following annual appointments:

Borough Administrator	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Maureen Chumacas
Borough Physician	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Shakira Slater-Okoro, MD
Borough Prosecutor	1 Year $(1/1/22 - 12/31/22)$	Steven Batta
Borough Public Defender	1 Year $(1/1/22 - 12/31/22)$	Anthony H. Guerino, Esq.
Borough Veterinarian	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Robert DeFilippis, DVM
Deputy Clerk	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Ashley Kennedy
Deputy Coordinator – OEM	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	William Collins
Deputy Coordinator – OEM	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Michael Boettinger
Fire Prevention Official	1 Year $(1/1/22 - 12/31/22)$	Kent Yates
Principal Public Works		
Manager	1 Year (1/1/22 – 12/31/22)	Chris Critchett
Recycling/Clean		
Communities Coordinator	1 Year $(1/1/22 - 12/31/22)$	Chris Critchett

The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

### ANNUAL RESOLUTIONS

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve the fourteen annual resolutions:

Resolution No. 2-2022 – authorizing the interest rate, grace period, and year end penalty for delinquent taxes

Resolution No. 3-2022 – authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to distribute payroll; and to make county property tax payments, health benefits payments and debt service payment ratifications for 2022

Resolution No. 4-2022 – authorizing the annual delinquent tax sale

Resolution No. 5-2022 – approving Council meeting agenda categories

Resolution No. 6-2022 – approving designation of official newspapers

Resolution No. 7-2022 – approving designation of electronic newspapers

Resolution No. 8-2022 - adopting 2022 Cash Management Plan

Resolution No. 9-2022 – approving the appointment of Maureen Chumacas as Alternate Fund Commissioner to the NJ Intergovernmental Insurance Fund

Resolution No. 10-2022 – approving the appointment of Jock H. Watkins as Public Compliance Officer

Resolution No. 11-2022 approving the appointment of Chris Critchett and Louis Zagada to the Essex County Solid Waste Advisory Council

Resolution No. 12-2022 approving the appointment of Acacia Financial Group as Continuing Disclosure Agent

Resolution No. 13-2022 approving the 2022 temporary budget - current fund

Resolution No. 14-2022 approving the 2022 temporary budget – water sewer fund

Resolution No. 15-2022 approving the expense limit for department heads

The motion was seconded by Council President Perrotti and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

### APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilwoman Tolli made a motion to approve Resolution No. 16-2022 Approving the December 31, 2021 bill list in the amount of \$48,378.76. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

Watkins, Borough Clerk

Mayor James R. Spango

Approved: January 18, 2022

**VOICE VOTE** 

Aye: Bardi, Fishman, Freda, Perrotti, Tolli

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: Trillo Council Reorganization Meeting Minutes January 4, 2022

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