

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

JANUARY 18, 2022
VIA ZOOM CONFERENCE CALL ONLY
6:30 PM OPEN SESSION
CLOSED SESSION TO IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW

Due to the recent surge in new cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19), the January 18, 2022 meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Spango via Zoom teleconference. Adequate notice of the remote Zoom meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in that the date, time, 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. The public was invited to join the Roseland remote Council meeting via computer by logging in to: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88059666053> or via telephone by calling +1-646-558-8656, or +1-312-626 6799, Webinar ID: 880 5966 6053.

IN ATTENDANCE:

James R. Spango, Mayor
Christopher Bardi, Councilman
Eileen Fishman, Councilwoman
Roger Freda, Councilman
Jean Perrotti, Council President
Michele Tolli, Councilwoman

ABSENT:

Marcelino Trillo, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Spango led the salute to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

William Tedesco

20 Meeker Court

APPOINTMENTS – MAYOR WITH ADVICE AND CONSENT OF COUNCIL

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to reappoint Michelle Stefanelli to a four-year term on the Board of Adjustment from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tolli and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-2022 approving the January 14, 2022 bill list in the amount of \$125,693.01, and the January 18, 2022 bill list in the amount of \$26,400.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by a 5—0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to approve the first seven resolutions on the agenda:

Resolution No. 18-2022 authorizing contracts with approved Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract for Vendors from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022

Resolution No. 19-2022 authorizing the cancellation of certain Accounts payable items for the Borough of Roseland

Resolution No. 20-2022 appointment of official towing companies for 2022

Resolution No. 21-2022 authorizing contracts with approved Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council Contract #18 Tree Services for Vendors from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023

Resolution No. 22-2022 awarding NJ Start Contract #18-FOOD-00424 for bottled water and cooler rental to WB Mason through July 31, 2022

Resolution No. 23-2022 approving the appointment of recreation winter seasonal employees

Resolution No. 24-2022 appointing Boswell Engineering as Borough Engineer for 2022

The motion was seconded by Councilman Freda and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 25-2022 appointing Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor, LLC as Redevelopment Attorney for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tolli and approved by a 4-0 voice vote with Councilwoman Fishman abstaining from the vote and Councilman Trillo absent.

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve the next four resolutions on the agenda:

Resolution No. 26-2022 appointing IMAC Insurance Agency as Broker of Record and consultant for employee benefits for 2022

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Resolution No. 27-2022 appointing McManimon, Scotland, Bauman LLC as Bond Counsel for 2022 at an estimated value of \$75,000.00

Resolution No. 28-2022 appointing Daniel Bloch of Maser Consulting as COAH Professional Planner for 2022-NTE for an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00

Resolution No. 29-2022 appointing John Voight from Bleakley Financial Group as Broker of Record and Financial Advisor for 2022

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to approve the next two resolutions on the agenda:

Resolution No. 30-2022 appointing Lite DePalma Greenberg LLC as Labor Attorney for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00

Resolution No. 31-2022 appointing Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala & Taylor LLC as Tax Appeal Attorney for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00

The motion was seconded by Councilman Freda and approved by a 4-0 voice vote with Councilwoman Fishman abstaining from the vote and Councilman Trillo absent.

Councilman Freda made a motion to approve the remaining fifteen resolutions on the agenda:

Resolution No. 32-2022 appointing Surenian, Edwards, & Nolan LLC as Special Council on COAH Matters for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00

Resolution No. 33-2022 appointing Hendricks Appraisal Company as Appraiser for Real Estate Tax Appeals for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00

Resolution No. 34-2022 appointing PKF O'Connor, Davies LLP as Borough Auditors for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$38,000.00

Resolution No. 35-2022 appointing Durkin & Durkin LLP as Real Estate Attorney for 2022

Resolution No. 36-2022 approving the 2022 list for substitute municipal court employees

Resolution No. 37-2022 approving the advertisement of fees for the Hometown Banner Program

Resolution No. 38-2022 awarding a non-fair and open contract to Edmunds & Associates for proprietary computer software at a cost of \$23,399.09

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Resolution No. 39-2022 award a non-fair and open contract to Quikteks LLC for IT Services at a cost of \$24,000.00

Resolution No. 40-2022 ratification of salaries – December 2021

Resolution No. 41-2022 memorializing the refund and cancellations of water sewer billing balances

Resolution No. 42-2022 authorizing the mayor to sign a contract with Piazza & Associates for affordable housing administrative services for an amount not to exceed \$5,400.00

Resolution No. 43-2022 appointing Remington & Vernick Engineers as water and sewer engineer for 2022 for an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00

Resolution No. 44-2022 qualifying firms for water and sewer utility special engineering projects for 2022

Resolution No. 45-2022 authorizing an amendment to the contract with MediMobile to add two additional days of Covid-19 testing on Mondays and Saturdays

Resolution No. 46-2022 qualifying firms for Special Litigation Attorney for 2022

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Tolli made a motion to approve the carry-over of Detective Hiter's unused vacation time from 2021 into 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spango wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year. Mr. Spango congratulated Councilwoman Fishman and Councilman Freda on their re-election to Council.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Councilman Bardi announced that there will be a special budget meeting at 9:00 AM on Saturday, January 22, 2022. The meeting will be held remotely via Zoom conference call, and the public safety departments will present their 2022 budget proposals.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND SHARED SERVICES

Councilwoman Tolli announced that there will be a shared services rabies vaccine clinic on February 5th at the West Orange department of public works building at 25 Lakeside Avenue in West Orange from 10:00 am until noon. There will be a second rabies clinic on February 9th at fire station #4 at 230 Pleasant Valley Way in West Orange from 3:00 PM until 4:00 PM.

There will be a collection of new or gently used clothing from January 21, 2022 through January 31, 2022. A collection box has been setup at the library. Donated items will be given to St. Luke's Church in Montclair, Tony's Kitchen, Tony's Closet, Our Lady of the Valley Church in Orange, St. Ann's Church in Newark, and the Franciscan Friary in Newark for distribution to those in need.

REDEVELOPMENT AND LEGAL

Councilwoman Fishman announced that the Senior Citizen's Advisory Committee will be meeting in February.

PUBLIC WORKS

Councilman Freda reminded residents not to put snow into the road after the plows have come through. Mr. Freda asked all residents to clear snow from around fire hydrants near their homes.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Perrotti thanked the members of the Roseland Fire Department and the Office of Emergency Management for their efforts with the Santa ride and holiday lighting ceremonies. Mrs. Perrotti cautioned residents to remove their keys from their cars and keep their cars locked.

RECREATION

No report

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve the December 21, 2021 Council meeting minutes and the January 4, 2022 reorganization meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent). Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve the December 28, 2021 Special meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 3-0 voice vote with Councilwoman Tolli and Councilman Freda abstaining from the vote and Councilman Trillo absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gail Lalla

T&M Associates, Middletown, NJ

EXECUTIVE SESSION

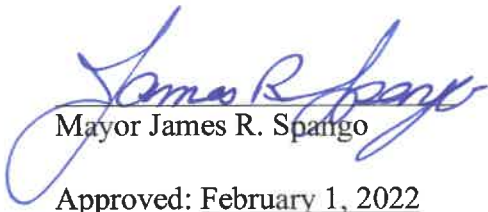
Councilwoman Fishman made a motion at 6:50 PM to approve Resolution No. 47-2022 Approval to Close to Executive Session to discuss the following:

Contract Negotiations

The motion was seconded by Councilman Freda and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).

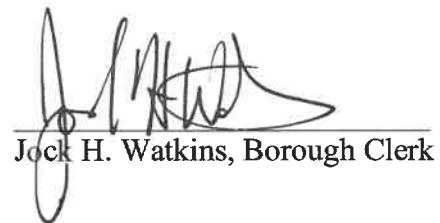
ADJOURNMENT

Council returned to open session at 7:10 PM and Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Freda and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Trillo absent).



Mayor James R. Spango

Approved: February 1, 2022



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

VOICE VOTE

Aye: Bardi, Fishman, Freda, Tolli

Nay: None

Abstain: Trillo

Absent: Perrotti