

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

OCTOBER 18, 2022
19 HARRISON AVENUE
6:30 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION
7:00 PM OPEN SESSION

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The October 18, 2022 meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Spango. Adequate notice of the 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. This meeting was also available via Zoom conference call.

IN ATTENDANCE:

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

ABSENT:

Roger Freda, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve Resolution No. 278-2022 Approval to Close to Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. Personnel
2. Potential Litigation

The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Freda, Trillo absent). Councilman Trillo arrived at 6:42 PM. Council adjourned executive session at 6:58 PM. Mayor Spango read the Sunshine Statement again at 7:00 PM and called the meeting to order. Clerk Watkins called the roll noting that Councilman Freda was absent.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Spango led the salute to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Spango asked Acting Director Matheis to read a proclamation acknowledging the service and retirement of Lieutenant Brian Maglio. Director Matheis also presented Lieutenant Maglio with his service weapon.

Mayor Spango congratulated members of the 2021 Blue Team spring coed youth (5-7 gr.) wiffle ball league champions, the 2021 Orange Crush fall coed youth (5-7 gr.) kickball league champions, and the 2022 Purple People Eaters spring coed youth (5-7 gr.) wiffle ball league champions on their championship seasons. Recreation Director Colitti presented those present with their trophies.

Councilman Trillo introduced, and Mayor Spango congratulated the 2021 Jr. Olympic event overall winners who were present. Recreation Director Colitti presented overall winners with their trophies.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Councilman Bardi made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 17-2022: "An ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Roseland entitled "Licensing and Business Regulations" adding new Section 4-14 entitled "Block Parties; Permit Required". The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent). The public hearing will be held on November 22, 2022.

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to introduce Ordinance No. 18-2022: "Bond Ordinance amending and providing a supplemental appropriation of \$429,000 for Section 3(B)(1) of Bond Ordinance No. 15-2022, finally adopted September 20, 2022, for 2022 road improvements in and by the Borough of Roseland, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, and authorizing the issuance of \$407,550 bonds or notes of the Borough to finance part of the cost thereof". The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent). The public hearing will be held on November 22, 2022.

PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

Clerk Watkins read Ordinance No. 16-2022 by title only for the second time: "An ordinance of the Borough of Roseland to repeal Ordinance No. 07-2022 as amended which provided for salaries and compensation to be paid to non-union employees of the Borough of Roseland and substitute therefore salaries and compensation for the year 2022". Councilwoman Tolti made a motion to open the public hearing on Ordinance No. 16-2022. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

There being no one wishing to be heard, Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

Clerk Watkins read Ordinance No. 16-2022 for the third and final time: "An ordinance of the Borough of Roseland to repeal Ordinance No. 07-2022 as amended which provided for salaries and compensation to be paid to non-union employees of the Borough of Roseland and substitute therefore salaries and compensation for the year 2022". Councilman Bardi made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 16-2022. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by a 5-0 roll call vote (Freda absent).

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 279-2022 approving the October 14, 2022 bill list in the Amount of \$76,987.94. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

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

Resolution No. 280-2022 ratification of salaries – September 2022

Resolution No. 281-2022 authorizing the rejection of bids for Auxiliary Water Storage Tank Installation

Resolution No. 282-2022 authorizing and approving an agreement with the Township of Livingston to review the development of property (Block 32, Lot 100) for PSE&G

Resolution No. 283-2022 authorizing Change Order #1 to Colonnelli Brothers Inc. reducing the amount of the contract by \$40,500.00 for a new contract price of \$113,065.00 for 2022 Emergency Services Associated Pipeline Work for Water & Sanitary Utility

Resolution No. 284-2022 approving the proposal in the amount of \$125,000.00 from Boswell Engineering to provide water and sewer engineering services for the water main replacement at Glen Avenue and Green Avenue

Resolution No. 285-2022 amending Resolution No. 227-2022 "Award Required Disclosure Contract to O'Toole Scrivo, LLC for Caldwell Litigation Attorney Services" increasing the maximum amount of the contract from \$50,000.00 to \$70,000.00

Resolution No. 286-2022 accepting the proposal in the amount of \$1,800.00 from Boswell Engineering to provide engineering services for the preparation of a NJ DCA land acquisition grant

Resolution No. 287-2022 authorizing Boswell Engineering to prepare and submit a New Jersey Department of Community Affairs 2023 land acquisition grant application to acquire and develop a portion of 55 Livingston Avenue for the development of a municipal community/recreation complex

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Resolution No. 288-2022 rejecting all of the bids for Emergency Medical Services and authorizing the advertisement of re-bidding for EMS services

Resolution No. 289-2022 authorizing the purchase of radio communication system from Motorola Solutions Inc. at a cost of \$359,979.15 through State Contract NJ Start 83909 for the police department

Resolution No. 290-2022 approving the water and sewer payment plan for 500 Eagle Rock Avenue, Account No. 311177-0

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Trillo made a motion to approve Patrick Nichols' request to attend the New Jersey Recreation & Park Association (NJRPA) Board Meeting on October 20, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spango thanked everyone who helped make Roseland Day a great day, especially the Department of Public Works (DPW), the Office of Emergency Management (OEM), police department, fire department, and recreation department.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Councilman Bardi noted that he will be offering a PowerPoint presentation later in the meeting about the final tax bills. Mr. Bardi his pleasure with the addition of the corn hole and pickleball tournaments to the Roseland Day festivities. Councilman Bardi thanked all of the volunteers who helped make Roseland Day a great success.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND SHARED SERVICES

Councilwoman Tolli announced that the Board of Health is offering flu shots for residents sixty-five years of age and older on Monday, October 24th from 10:00 AM until 12:00 noon at the Roseland First Aid Squad building. Pre-registration with the Health Department is required.

The Municipal Youth Guidance Subcommittee high school students will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Roseland Food Bank, the Caldwell-West Caldwell Food Bank, and the Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Food Bank. Students will be collecting items outside the West Caldwell Shop-Rite on Sunday, October 30th from 10:00 AM until 1:00 PM. The students will also be participating in boxes for the military, working at the New Jersey food Bank in Hillside, and assisting with the 2023 Easter Eggstravagana.

The Roseland Junior Women's Club is sponsoring the annual 5th grade Halloween Dance on Friday, October 28th in the auditorium at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Church. From 7:30 until 9:30 PM. The Junior Women's Club will also be conducting a winter coat collection from

October 26th through November 5th. A collection box has been placed at the Roseland library. Clothes that are collected will be distributed to Tony's Closet in Montclair and Our Lady of the Valley Church in Orange.

The Roseland Public Library will be hosting their second annual North Pole holiday vendor fair on Saturday, November 19th from 9:00 AM until 3:30 PM and Sunday, November 20th from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM. Please support the Booster Club tomorrow night at Frank Anthony's restaurant in Verona. Ten percent of your bill will be donated to Roseland recreation programs. October Breast Cancer Awareness month.

The Roseland First Aid Squad has responded to one hundred sixty-two calls to date this year. The Roseland Fire Department and the Roseland First Aid Squad invite anyone interested in volunteering to join their ranks.

Mayor Spango invited Essex County Liaison Dan Salvante to make his report on upcoming Essex County recreation activities.

REDEVELOPMENT AND LEGAL

Councilwoman Fishman thanked everyone who participated in Roseland Day. Mrs. Fishman specifically thanked the pickleball players who participated, making the tournament very successful. Senior Society meetings are on Fridays at noon. The next meeting of seniors is scheduled for noon this Friday. The meeting will feature a speaker from RWJ Barnabas Health on the topic of how to get to sleep and how to stay asleep.

PUBLIC WORKS

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Perrotti thanked everyone who helped make Roseland Day a huge success. Mrs. Perrotti specifically thanked the residents who attended, without whom the event could not have been a success. The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Auxiliary Police conducted forty hours of volunteer service at Roseland Day, Noecker Halloween Dance, and traffic details at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament church. The Roseland Fire Department participated in the final concert of the summer on September 9th, and the fire department also participated in the 100th anniversary celebration of the Livingston Fire Department. The fire department responded to eleven alarms in September for a total of one hundred and sixty-six alarms to date this year. This compares to one hundred and forty-six during the same period last year. Councilwoman Perrotti congratulated Lieutenant Maglio on his retirement after many years of service, noting the he will be missed by the Borough.

RECREATION

Councilman Trillo noted that there are three more weeks for the kickball program. The soccer and cross-country programs are also winding down. Registration is now open for basketball. The little dunkers program for second graders is coming back this year. Registration is also open for the crafts for kids' program for kids grades K through 3. Trunk or Treat will be held in the

Noecker School parking lot on October 29th from 12:00 noon until 1:00 PM. The annual Hometown Roseland Christmas celebration is scheduled for December 3rd. The Mayor's Ball will be held this Saturday at the Hanover Manor.

PRESENTATIONS (continued)

Mayor Spango introduced the coaches of the 2021 Roseland Spirit girl's sophomore (3-4 gr.) undefeated soccer league champions, and read the names of all of the team members. Recreation Director Colitti and Recreation Coordinator Nichols presented each of the girls with their championship trophies.

Councilman Bardi made a PowerPoint presentation summarizing the final tax bills which were mailed to residents approximately two weeks ago.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

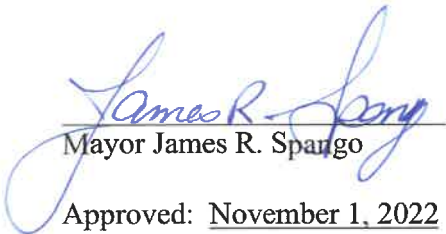
Councilwoman Tolli made a motion to approve the October 11, 2022 caucus meeting minutes and the October 11, 2022 executive session minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

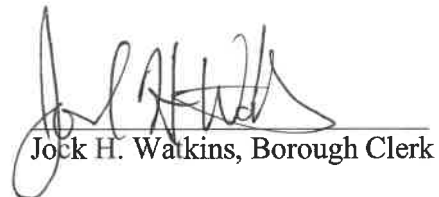
PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).


Mayor James R. Spango
Approved: November 1, 2022


Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

VOICE VOTE

Aye: Bardi, Fishman, Perrotti, Tolli, Trillo
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Freda