BOROUGH OF ROSELAND NEW JERSEY

FEBRUARY 21, 2019 CONFERENCE ROOM 140 EAGLE ROCK AVENUE 6:00 PM

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The February 21, 2019 Special Budget Meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Spango. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in that Notice of the 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.

IN ATTENDANCE:

James R. Spango, Mayor

Christopher Bardi, Council President Eileen Fishman, Councilwoman Roger Freda, Councilman

David Jacobs, Councilman Jean Perrotti, Councilwoman Michelle Tolli, Councilwoman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator

Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk Frank McEnerney, Borough Auditor

DISCUSSION

- 1. Planning Board Chairman Lou LaSalle explained the Planning Board budget request for 2019.
- 2. Assistant Chief Doug Yates of the Roseland Fire Department explained the fire department's 2019 capital improvement budget request and the 2019 operating budget request.
- 3. Administrator Chumacas asked Council to consider whether they want to continue to use funds from the Open Space budget for park maintenance or if they want to move maintenance of parks into the operating budget. Council discussed funding proposed park upgrades from the Open Space Budget rather than the Capital Budget.

Council took a break at 6:48 PM and returned at 7:06 PM.

- 4. Mrs. Chumacas explained the handouts containing the anticipated revenues and appropriations in the 2019 budget. Mayor Spango asked that the appropriation figures be adjusted to reflect pro rating of new police officer salaries from August 1st through the end of the year, and removal of the proposed police dispatchers from the budget.
- 5. Administrator Chumacas reviewed the projected 2019 tax rate and resulting increase to the average homeowner.
- 6. Borough Auditor Frank McEnerney explained the services that his firm plans to provide during the coming year.

Council agreed to hold the final budget immediately following the March 5th Caucus meeting.

Councilman Bardi made a motion to close the meeting at 7:46 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

ock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

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Approved: March 5, 2019

VOICE VOTE

Aye: Bardi, Fishman, Freda, Jacobs, Perrotti, Tolli

Nay: None Abstain: None Absent: None