

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

SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
140 EAGLE ROCK AVENUE
7:00 PM OPEN SESSION

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES

The September 6, 2022 meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Spango. Adequate notice of the meeting was provided in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in that the date and time of the meeting were included in the Annual Meeting Schedule, 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
Roger Freda, Councilman
Jean Perrotti, Council President
Marcelino Trillo, Councilman

ABSENT:

Michele Tolli, Councilwoman
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator
Ashley Kennedy, Deputy Borough Clerk
Joni McDonnell, Borough Attorney

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Spango led the salute to the flag. Mayor Spango then asked everyone to remain standing for a moment of silence for Anthony Guerino, the Borough's municipal prosecutor and a member of the Board of Adjustment, who was seriously injured in a recent motorcycle accident.

PUBLIC COMMENT

William Tedesco 20 Meeker Court

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to approve Resolution No. 251-2022 approving the September 2, 2022 bill list in the amount of \$277,076.88. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Tolli absent) (Bardi abstain).

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

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

Resolution No. 252-2022 cancellation of water and sewer billing-balances

Resolution No. 253-2022 authorizing the mayor to sign a hold harmless agreement with Medi Mobile for COVID-19 testing

Resolution No. 254-2022 awarding contract in the amount of \$12,500.00 to Millennium Strategies for grant writing services for 2022

Resolution No. 255-2022 approving the release of Final Payment in the amount of \$7,175.55 to Whirl Construction Inc. for 2021 Harrison Avenue Playground Improvements

Resolution No. 256-2022 authorizing Remington and Vernick Engineers to provide a water rate study at a cost of \$7,300.00

Resolution No. 257-2022 authorizing the mayor to sign the Essex Fells Water Agreement

Resolution No. 258-2022 authorizing the use of Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) Coop #65MCESCCPS contract number 18/19-25 to purchase ground equipment from Jesco Inc. at a cost of \$198,096.00

Resolution No. 259-2022 approving the Indoor Facility Use Permit application and establishing fees

Resolution No. 260-2022 amending Resolution No. 149-2022 “Approval to Waive Field Permit Fees for Certain Non-Profit Organizations” to include fields and indoor facilities

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve the two items on the consent agenda:

Approval of application from Brittany VanArsdale for the Roseland Volunteer Auxiliary Police

Approval of cadet application from Jack Bowe for the Roseland Volunteer Fire Department

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Spango announced that the final summer concert will be this Friday evening. Tickets for the Mayor's Ball are on sale. The event is scheduled for October 22, 2022. Roseland Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 1, 2022.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

Councilman Bardi reported that the committee has been interviewing candidates for the positions of accounts receivable clerks and police department administrative assistant.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND SHARED SERVICES

No report

REDEVELOPMENT AND LEGAL

Councilwoman Fishman reminded residents that the proceeds from the Mayor's Ball will be donated to the Roseland Library and the Roseland First Aid Squad. The senior barbecue is scheduled for September 9th at noon at the library picnic area. Seniors will also be taking a trip to a concert at PNC Arts Center on September 13th to see Vito Picone & The Elegants, The Vogues, and Harold Melvin's Bluenotes.

PUBLIC WORKS

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilwoman Perrotti thanked Brittany VanArsdale and Jack Bowe for volunteering to serve the Borough.

RECREATION

Councilman Trillo announced that the Run 4 Roseland is scheduled for Saturday, September 24th.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilwoman Perrotti made a motion to approve the August 16, 2022 Council meeting minutes and the August 16, 2022 executive session minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Bardi and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Tolli absent).

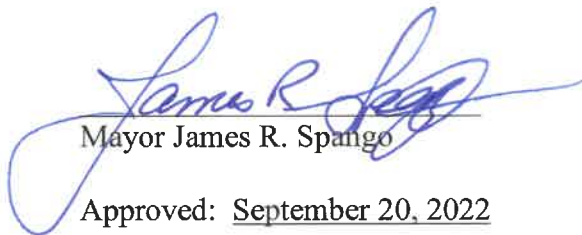
Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to approve the August 25, 2022 special meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Tolli absent).

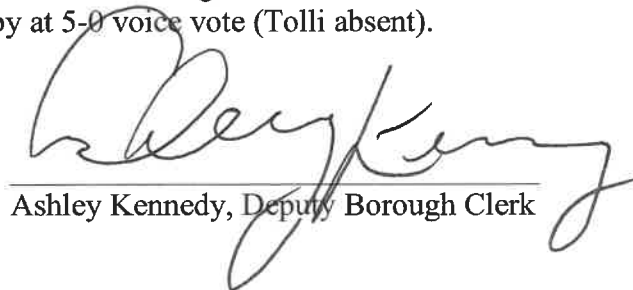
PUBLIC COMMENT

Elizabeth Phillips 29 Lincoln Street

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilmen Freda and approved by at 5-0 voice vote (Tolli absent).


Mayor James R. Spango
Approved: September 20, 2022


Ashley Kennedy, Deputy Borough Clerk

VOICE VOTE

Aye: Fishman, Freda, Perrotti, Trillo

Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bardi, Tolli