

BOROUGH OF ROSELAND
NEW JERSEY

MAY 3, 2016
CONFERENCE ROOM
140 EAGLE ROCK AVENUE
7:00 PM

CAUCUS MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER & SUNSHINE STATEMENT

The May 3, 2016 Caucus Meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Duthie. 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, was sent to The Progress and the Star Ledger, posted on the public bulletin board in the Municipal Building and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL

IN ATTENDANCE:

John Duthie, Mayor
David Jacobs, Council President
Richard N. Leonard, Councilman
Michelle Tolli, Councilwoman
Thomas Tsilionis, Councilman
Mark Vidovich, Councilman

ABSENT:

Peter M. Smith, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator
Ethan Jesse Sheffet, Borough Attorney
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk
Gary Schall, Superintendent of Public Works
Mike Colitti, Director of Recreation

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Duthie led the Salute to the Flag.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Councilman Vidovich made a motion to approve the eight resolutions and the seven items on the consent agenda:

Resolution No. 139-2016 approving a \$250.00 donation for a sponsor fee to help fight Crohn's Disease - The Borough will receive a \$250.00 credit on the Edmund's maintenance agreement

Resolution No. 140-2016 authorizing a refund of the temporary food license fee issued on April 13, 2016 to Patricia & Paul in the amount of \$50.00

Resolution No. 141-2016 approving the release of Payment No. 8 to Howard C. Storer, LLC for the New Salt/Storage Shed in the amount of \$7,350.00

Resolution No. 142-2016 authorizing the Borough of Roseland to enter into an agreement with the Division of Environmental Services of the Essex County Department of Public Works for mosquito control

Resolution No. 143-2016 approving the release of Payment No. 3 to Goksu Construction, LLC for the fire damage restoration at 19 Harrison Avenue in the amount of \$22,320.97

Resolution No. 144-2016 approving the hiring of 2016 assignors and umpires for the Recreation Department Youth Baseball/Softball

Resolution No. 145-2016 approving the April 29, 2016 Bill List

Resolution No. 146-2016 approving the use of Open Space Trust Funds to purchase 100 yards of "Wood Carpet" for parks and play grounds through the Morris County Co-Op No. 42 \$1,924.00

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval for Anthony Guerino to attend mandatory training course for newly appointed board members on May 7, 2016 at Kessler's Inst, West Orange for a total cost of \$80.00

Approval of firefighter application for Joshua Krasner to the Roseland Fire Department

Approval for the Department of Public Works to perform hydrant flushing throughout the borough

Approval for the Heart Walk to take place on October 23rd, 2016 from 8AM-1PM on Becker Farm Road

Approval to appoint Joelle Furbeck as a volunteer to the Roseland Police Department for 30 hours of community service during the summer

Approval to appoint Joshua Krasner as a volunteer to the Department of Public Works for Senior Service from May 16, 2016 to June 14, 2016

Approval to appoint Brittany VanArsdale as a volunteer to the Roseland Police Department for 30 hours of community service during the summer

With no comments or questions from Council or the audience, the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Tolli and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Tsilionis and Smith absent).

MAYOR'S REPORT

No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS

No report

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilman Jacobs made a motion to accept with regret the resignation of Robert Spero from the Shade Tree Commission. Councilman Vidovich seconded the motion and the motion was approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).

Councilman Jacobs reported that a major hydraulic leak was discovered on the fire department Ladder Truck 665 on April 28th. Councilman Jacobs made a motion to authorize repairs to the ladder truck for an amount not to exceed \$25,000. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vidovich and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).

RECREATION

Councilman Tsilionis reported the WEYSA is having difficulty with the background checks of baseball and softball umpires required by Roseland because Roseland is the only participating town with that requirement. After discussion, Council decided to consider amending Section 22-38.2 entitled "Requirements of Criminal History Background Checks".

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Councilman Leonard asked Administrator Chumacas if the reported water shutoffs can be delayed until 1:00 PM to allow residents to come in and pay bill prior to shutoff. After discussion, it was agreed to provide the extra time.

Councilman Leonard explained that the Borough has entered into a cooperative agreement with Essex County for mosquito control. Mr. Leonard expressed concern about recent wet weather, large areas of standing water in the Passaic River area, and recent concerns about the Zika Virus.

Councilman Leonard also expressed concern about dead and leaning trees in less traveled sections of Borough parks especially along stream banks where youngsters may explore. Councilman Jacobs added that he has had discussions about this subject with the Shade Tree and they will be investigating to see what is needed and what the Commission can do.

Mr. Leonard asked if there has been any action on his inquiry about marking certain key intersections with "Do Not Block the Box" markings. Councilman Jacobs answered that the Borough is still awaiting a response from Essex County.

Councilman Leonard asked Clerk Watkins to prepare an ordinance amendment to the Taxi Cab ordinance so that license fees can be modified by annual resolution rather than by an ordinance change because current fees are outdated.

Councilman Jacobs added that Livingston has established voluntary water restrictions.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

No report

ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

Councilman Vidovich reminded everyone that the hearing on the budget is scheduled for the next meeting. Mr. Vidovich asked for any requests to cover specific points in the presentation that is being prepared for the budget hearing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Jacobs made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2016 Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Vidovich and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).

PUBLIC COMMENT

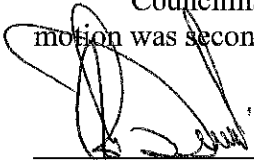
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EXECUTIVE SESSION

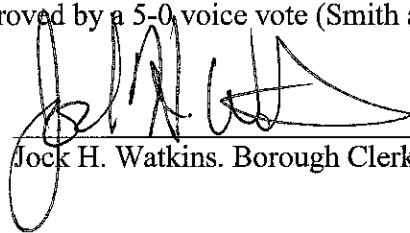
Borough Attorney Sheffert read Resolution No. 138-2016 Approval to Close to Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. Roseland Glen Condominium Association
2. Personnel
3. Personnel Policies

Councilman Tsilionis made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at 7:57 PM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Jacobs and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Smith absent).



Mayor John Duthie



Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

Approved: May 17, 2016

ROLL CALL

Aye: Jacobs, Leonard, Smith, Tsilionis, Tolli, Vidovich
Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None