BOROUGH OF ROSELAND
NEW JERSEY

JANUARY 25, 2020
BOROUGH HALL
140 EAGLE ROCK AVE
9:00AM

SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

The January 25, 2020 special budget meeting of the Roseland Mayor and Council was called to order at 9:00 AM 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 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
Jean Perrotti, Councilwoman
Michele Tolli, Councilwoman
Marcelino Trillo, Councilman

ABSENT:
Roger Freda, Councilman

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:
Maureen Chumacas, Borough Administrator
Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk
Joni Noble McDonnell, Borough Attorney
Gary Schall, Superintendent of Public Works
Joseph Pomante, Borough Engineer

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve Resolution No. 52-2020 authorizing the Mayor to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission for their Customer Abstract Information Retrieval (CAIR) program. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by at 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

DISCUSSION

1. Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Gary Schall explained the items on the 2020 Capital Improvement Program list submitted by the DPW. Council reviewed the items and recommended the following:

   a. Include replacement cost of Sharp MX-5071 copier in the capital budget but postpone purchase, but do not prepare funding ordinance
b. Approved repair of the floor drainage system in the Roseland First Aid Squad building at an estimated cost of $12,000.00

c. Approved the replacement of twelve garage bay doors at the DPW building at an estimated cost of $72,000.00

d. Include drainage and paving of municipal lot at 140 Eagle Rock Avenue in capital budget, but do not prepare funding ordinance

e. Approved purchase and installation of replacement leaf vacuum body for existing 2002 GMC truck at an estimated cost of $110,000.00

f. Include conversion of 2013 Freightliner from dump body to Hook & Go assembly with Flow N Dump body in the capital budget, but do not prepare funding ordinance

g. Approved installation of two replacement HVAC units at Library at an estimated cost of $38,000.00 -- Councilman Bardi to speak to Library Board about sharing the cost of the project

h. The cost of the hand held power assist water valve turning unit was transferred from the capital budget to the DPW operating budget.

2. Borough Engineer Joseph Pomante discussed the proposed 2020 and 2021 roadway capital improvement proposal. It was noted that some of the roads scheduled for resurfacing are not at the top of the list for resurfacing, but they have bumped other roads with lower ratings as a result of sewer or water system improvements within those roadways. The proposal recommends resurfacing of six roads at a cost of $1,139,400.00, less a $260,000.00 reimbursable NJDOT municipal aid grant.

3. Council discussed the following new programs/events:

   a. Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a video presentation system in the public meeting room at 19 Harrison Avenue at an estimated cost of $7,743.99, and a video presentation system for the second-floor conference room at 140 Eagle Rock Avenue at an estimated cost of $3,338.00. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Perrotti and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

   Councilman Bardi made a motion to approve live streaming of the televised Council meetings to the internet. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fishman and approved by a 5-0 voice vote (Freda absent).

   b. Council discussed possible events to welcome new residents to the Borough.

   c. Council reviewed a list of proposed programs and activities for senior citizens. Council will consider whether to subsidize any of the Senior Citizen Programs and the level of any such subsidy

   d. Food Truck Festival

   e. Initiative Block Party

   f. Roseland Day/Octoberfest

4. Council scheduled a special budget meeting at 10:00 am on Saturday, February 15th at 140 Eagle Rock Avenue to review the fire department budget proposal and the final
budget for calendar year 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilwoman Fishman made a motion to close the meeting at 11:40 AM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Trillo and approved by a 4-0 voice vote (Freda absent, Tolli left meeting at 11:38 am).

Mayor James R. Spangelo

Approved: February 4, 2020

Jock H. Watkins, Borough Clerk

VOICE VOTE

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