# Borough of Roosevelt 33 N. Rochdale Avenue Roosevelt, NJ 08555

# Mayor and Council Regular Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ellentuck at 7:00 p.m. and he read the Open Public Meetings Act statement which stated, "Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been provided by a public notice on January 3, 2017, which was posted on the Bulletin Board at the Roosevelt Post Office and in the Borough Hall. The notice was published in <u>The Times</u> and <u>Asbury Park Press</u>."

# Roll Call.

|                        | PRESENT | ABSENT |
|------------------------|---------|--------|
| Councilmember Bonna    | ✓       |        |
| Councilmember Hamilton | ✓       |        |
| Councilmember Lipoti   | ✓PHONE  |        |
| Councilmember Malkin   | ✓       |        |
| Councilmember Ticktin  | ✓       |        |
| Councilmember Trammell |         | ✓      |
| Mayor Ellentuck        | ✓       |        |

Also in attendance: Richard Shaklee, Borough Attorney, Kelly Tyers, Deputy Clerk,

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** The Mayor report is attached.

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Ellentuck asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilmember Hamilton asked that Resolution 17-05 and 17-10 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Resolution 17-06: Authorizing the use of professional non utilities engineering services of

Carmela Roberts, P.E. of Roberts Engineering Group, LLC During the year

2017

Resolution 17-07: Authorizing the award of a contract for professional auditing services to

Gerald Stankiewicz, CPA, RMA

Resolution 17-08: Authorizing the award of a contract for professional services in connection

with the financing of capital improvements to Gluckwalrath, LLP

Resolution 17-09: Authorizing the award of a contract for professional planning consultant

services to Thomas A. Thomas

Resolution 17-30: Designating Signers of Checks for the Borough of Roosevelt.

Resolution 17-31: Adjusting Salaries of Certain Roosevelt Borough Employees

Payment of Bills

On a motion by Councilmember Ticktin, second by Councilmember Bonna to approve the consent agenda without Resolution 17-05 and 17-10.

#### Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Hamilton, Lipoti, Malkin, Ticktin

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Trammell

Consent Agenda without Resolution 17-05 and 17-10 adopted.

# **RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution 17-05: Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Professional Legal Services to

Richard J. Shaklee, Esq.

Councilmember Hamilton stated that the contract is very vague and has little protection for the residents. He would like to have had more time to review with the Council and Committee. The Council discussed in detail Resolution 17-05.

On a motion by Councilmember Ticktin, second by Councilmember Bonna to adopt Resolution 17-05.

# Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Lipoti, Ticktin NAYS: Hamilton, Malkin

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Trammell

Resolution 17-05 adopted.

Resolution 17-10: Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Professional Special Utility

Engineering Services to Michael J. Samuel, P.E. of R3M Engineering, Inc.

The Council discussed in detail regarding the engineering fees and the work that was performed by R3M.

On a motion by Councilmember Lipoti, second by Councilmember Ticktin to approve Resolution 17-10 with an amendment to not to exceed \$50,000 and to meet with the Finance Committee to review the contract for any additional amendments.

# Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Lipoti, Mayor Ellentuck

NAYS: Hamilton, Malkin

ABSTAIN: Ticktin ABSENT: Trammell

Mayor Ellentuck broke the tie with a yes vote. Resolution 17-10 adopted.

## **Other Resolutions:**

Resolution 17-32: Awarding a Contract for Removal and Hauling of Liquid Sludge

On a motion by Councilmember Ticktin, second by Councilmember Malkin to adopt Resolution 17-32.

## Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Hamilton, Lipoti, Malkin, Ticktin

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Trammell

Resolution 17-33: Resolution for Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a

Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for

Improvements to Homestead Lane and Cedar Court Project

On a motion from Councilmember Malkin, second by Councilmember Ticktin to adopt Resolution 17-33.

# Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Hamilton, Lipoti, Malkin, Ticktin

NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Trammell

## **ORDINANCES:**

**2017-001 SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:** AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 15-001 TITLED "AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY RANGE AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS, POSITIONS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY."

Mayor Ellentuck opened the public hearing on ordinance 2017-001. No public comment. Mayor Ellentuck closed the public hearing on ordinance 2017-001.

There was discussion and a clarification amongst the Council.

On a motion from Councilmember Ticktin, second by Councilmember Bonna to adopt Ordinance 2017-001.

## Roll Call:

AYES: Bonna, Hamilton, Lipoti, Malkin, Ticktin

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Trammell

# **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-001**

# AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 15-001 TITLED "AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SALARY RANGE AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS, POSITIONS AND EMPLOYEES IN THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY."

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roosevelt, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey that Ordinance 2015-01 is hereby amended by the removal of:

| Current Fund:                | MINIMUM                | MAXIMUM  |
|------------------------------|------------------------|----------|
| Borough Clerk                | \$25,000               | \$65,000 |
| And the addition in lieu the | reof of the following: |          |
| Current Fund:                | MINIMUM                | MAXIMUM  |
| Dorough Clark                |                        | 4.7.000  |
| Borough Clerk                | \$20,000               | \$65,000 |

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinance inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

III.

II.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication as required by law.

# REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Councilmember Stacey Bonna, Administration/Environmental Rep.:

- CPR class is being held on February 4, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Borough Hall.
- At the January 18, 2017 reorganization meeting of the Environmental Commission new members, Nick Murray and Kimberly Felong were sworn in along with reappointments of Mary Tuiloss as Vice Chair and Eitan Grunwalk as Chair.
- The Environmental Commission adopted the mission statement and goals for the Forest Management Plan and will work closely with the Forester to develop detail 5 year objectives. The EC plans to adopt by April 30<sup>th</sup> and submit to the Borough Council for approval with final submission to the NJ Forestry Services for their approval.
- The Invasive Species Committee with hold a meeting next week to plan Spring/Summer activities.

- The Stream Monitoring Committee is planning for another training in the Spring along with more stream assessments.
- The EC volunteers are making plans to deal with the old wooded platforms that need repair or replacement on the Woodland Trail.
- The EC is hoping that Roosevelt will be able to apply for the Bronze Certification from Sustainable New Jersey.
- The EC passed a resolution recommending the Borough to have a branch pick up in the Spring.
- Councilmember Bonna attended the Monmouth County Local Government seminar and spoke with the County Engineer regarding the traffic calming on County Route 571. There are more opportunities that are available to the Borough.

# Councilmember Michael Hamilton, Public Works:

- Several residents did not receive recycling pickup. He has had numerous discussions with the recycling company and reviewed the streets that need to be picked up. He will continue to be in discussion with the recycling company. Any residents that have issues with pick up to contact Kelly.
- A Locust tree leaning across Pine Drive was removed as preventive maintenance. Will continue to identify any trees that are potentially dangerous and issued a call to action to residents and to notify the Borough.
- Storm drains need to be cleaned regularly. He issued a call to action to residents to assist in raking out the storm drains.
- Concern on the salt mount and how to store. The Borough will be looking into storage options.
- Suggest having a Public Works Committee meeting to develop a comprehensive seasonal preventive maintenance plan.
- Snow removal and inclement weather conditions continues to be handled good by Kelly Tyers.

# Councilmember Jill Lipoti, Utilities:

• Will be attending meeting on January 26, 2017 from 8:30 a.m. to noon at the New Jersey Environment Infrastructure Trust to discuss Intended Use Plan Explanation and Principle Forgiveness program for 2017 and bring back to the Council.

Councilmember Peggy Malkin Councilmember Michael Ticktin Finance/Planning Board Rep. Community Dev & Code

Councilmember Joe Trammell, Envi, Health & Safety – No Report

# **REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS (If requested by Mayor or Committee Chair):** None Reported.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Upgrading Server. The Mayor and Council discussed the quotes received from Dell and Computer Solutions. Upgrading the server will allow the residents to pay online. A fee will be associated with online payment. Mayor Ellentuck asked for a vote.

Attorney Shaklee stated that this is a contract and a Resolution is needed along with a Certification of Funds for the next meeting.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

# Borough Hall Evening Hours – Tuesday till 6:30 p.m.

Councilmember Ticktin moved to approve the Borough Hall Evening Hours, Councilmember Bonna seconded. There was discussion and a clarification amongst the Council. The Borough Hall hours are: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., with extended hours on Tuesday until 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Council members Bonna, Hamilton, Lipoti, Malkin, Ticktin, voted yes. Trammell was absent.

Motion approved: 5-0-1.

# **Building Use Dates:**

Tai Chi – June Counterman: Wednesdays – 9:30 am – 11:30 am; Thursdays – 6:00 pm -7:00 pm

First Aid Squad – Jo Vo: Sundays- 2/12, 3/12, 4/9/, 5/14, 6/11, 7/9, 8/13, 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/10 - 10:00 am
Tuesdays-2/17, 2/21, 3/21, 4/11, 5/23, 6/13, 7/11, 8/22, 9/12, 10/10, 11/21, 12/12 - 7pm

Roosevelt Fire Department – Danny Archer: First Monday of the month

Permission granted: 5-0-1.

# **COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

Councilmember Malkin and Hamilton commented on Mayor Ellentuck's opening remarks. A spirted discussion followed.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Sam Lopez – 7 Homestead Lane:

- Questions the Council about the Millstone Township Fire Commissioner coming to several meetings to discuss the cost to Roosevelt and the cost still being the same.
- Questions how much a Referendum cost the town (\$12,000 \$20,000) and the votes on both Referendums (1st Referendum ending in a tie and the 2nd Referendum was 268 to 68 in favor).
- States Councilmember Hamilton continues to say he represents the people but continues to cost the residents more money, bullied his way onto the Administration Committee at last meeting and fails to read his Borough email.
- Thanks the Administrative Committee for giving their qualifications at last meeting
- Requests the Finance Committee qualifications, specifically on bonds.

- o Committeeman Malkin has been the Finance Chair for 12 years, works with the CFO and Auditor, handles the budget
- o Councilmember Hamilton served on the School Board and dealt with Bond Attorneys with bond issues for the School.
- o Councilmember Ticktin major involvement with Finance is as a Tax Assessor for over 30 years and an Attorney.
- Mayor Ellentuck was asked about his experience with bonds.
  - Mayor Ellentuck has 20 plus years as bond attorney, underwriter or bond counsel for the States of Illinois, NJ and NY, County of Monmouth, Monmouth County Improvement Authority.

## Bert Ellentuck – 22 Homestead Lane:

- Questions R3M issues, costs to the Borough and Bond Ord 2016-022 and if contractor does not get paid they will end up suing the Borough.
- If R3M gets paid through the water/sewerage fees the residents will have a bigger bill
- Community will be in financial and health peril.
- Remarks on the fire house situation
- Remarks on the conditions and disrepair of 9 Pine Drive.

# Melissa Branco- 15 Homestead Lane:

- Remarks about the Democratic Committee not supporting the voters' choice at the Primary Election.
- Remarks on how much the 4 bay will costs per household \$2,700 per household.
- The Counsel needs to put their ego aside, bring the residents together.

# Tim Curry – Pine Drive:

• Comments on how he was called out on his residency when he went to vote by Councilmember Hamilton.

# **CLOSED SESSION** (If Needed): NONE

Councilmember Ticktin moved to adjourn at 9:30 p.m., Councilmember Bonna second. All ayes.

| Respectfully Submitted,           |  |
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| Kelly Tyers, Deputy Borough Clerk |  |

Adopted Date: March 27, 2017