

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

**Mayor and Council
Regular Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2020**

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:06 p.m. and 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 06, 2020, which was posted on the Bulletin Board at the Roosevelt Post Office, on the Bulletin Board in the Roosevelt Post Office and in the Borough Hall. The notice was published in The Times and Asbury Park Press.”

ROLL CALL

	PRESENT	ABSENT
<i>Councilmember Bowen</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Dermody</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Esakoff</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Hamilton</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Trammell</i>	✓	
<i>Councilmember Vroman</i>		✓
<i>Mayor Malkin</i>	✓	

Also in attendance: Greg Cannon, Esq., Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for agenda items only at 7:06 pm.
No public comment.

C/Malkin closed the Public Comment for agenda items at 7:07 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **January 27, 2020 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

On a motion by C/Hamilton to accept the minutes as presented by the Borough Clerk, with a second offered by C/Esakoff, the January 27, 2020 Regular Session Meeting Minutes were approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call

AYES: C/Bowen, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Trammell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: C/Dermody

ABSENT: C/Vroman

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 20-35 Payment of Bills for 2/10/20

C/Hamilton made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-35, second offered by C/Esakoff. No discussion.

Roll Call

AYES: C/Bowen, C/Dermody, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Trammell
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: C/Vroman

Resolution 20-36 Renewing Monmouth County Shared Services Agreement for Monmouth County to Serve as the Public Answering Point (PSAP) for Roosevelt Borough

C/Hamilton made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-36, second offered by C/Bowen. No discussion.

Roll Call

AYES: C/Bowen, C/Dermody, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Trammell
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: C/Vroman

Resolution 20-37 Resolution Setting Fees for a Recreational Summer Camp

C/Hamilton made the motion to adopt Resolution 20-37, second offered by C/Esakoff. There fees are the same as last year.

Roll Call

AYES: C/Bowen, C/Dermody, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Trammell
 NAYS: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: C/Vroman

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Public Works: C/Bowen explained that DPW has been working on storm drains and lighting issues at the Borough Hall; a dead deer was removed from Nurko Road; the Borough Engineer has requested clarification regarding improvements to the Borough Hall parking lot; discussed the need for guidelines for the DPW regarding cleanup of fallen tree limbs and branches on private property.

Administration: C/Esakoff explained that the Borough is spending an enormous amount of money on maintenance and repairs due to wipes in the sewer system; Janet Ginest wrote and submitted an article to the Borough Bulletin regarding the damage that wipes cause to the wastewater system.

Community Dev/Code: C/Dermody provided an update on the status of repairs to the bulletin board outside the Post Office.

Finance: C/Hamilton is planning a Finance Committee meeting for Monday, February 17th to begin work on this year’s budget.

Utilities: C/Trammell discussed the replacement of two utility poles on Tamara Drive; the pumps at the sewer plant and the lift station are very costly to repair when rags and wipes clog the wastewater system; public notices regarding the damage and costly repairs were discussed; the trickling filters are currently working but need to be repaired; Verizon will be conducting maintenance of low hanging wires.

Envi. Health & Safety: No report.

REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Michael Ticktin, Environmental Commission Chair: Discussed the responsibility for damage caused by fallen branches and tree limbs; trees on public property that have been marked by the JCP&L; recommendations regarding the prospective bamboo ordinance.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Bamboo Ordinance: Attorney Cannon provided a sample ordinance for review and requested feedback from the Environmental Commission and Borough Councilmembers.

NEW BUSINESS

1. M/Malkin discussed the delicatessen and revisiting the liquor license ordinance and associated fees.
2. C/Esakoff announced his withdrawal as Alternate CDBG Representative; C/Hamilton offered to replace C/Esakoff as the alternate CDBG representative.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item):

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for any item at 8:11 pm.

No public comment.

C/Malkin closed the Public Comment at 8:11 pm.

CLOSED SESSION: Providing for a Private Executive Meeting that Excludes the Public

C/Trammell made a motion to move to Closed Session, seconded by C/Bowen.

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk, read Resolution 20-38: Providing for a Private Executive Meeting that Excludes the Public.

WHEREAS, the “Open Public Meetings Act” enacted October 21, 1975 permits a public body to exclude the public from meetings or portions thereof wherein matters are to be discussed which are exempted from the requirements of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the said Act requires that prior to the holding of a meeting or portion thereof from which the public shall be excluded, the public body should adopt a Resolution at a public meeting providing for the holding of a private meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Roosevelt has determined that a meeting should be held from which the public should be excluded in order to discuss a subject which is exempted under the said Act;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council, as follows:
That the next portion of this meeting to be held in Private Session.

That the general nature of the matter(s) to be discussed relate to the matters:

- a. Ellentuck vs. Roosevelt OPRA Litigation Update
- b. Roosevelt vs. Hilltop Swim Club Litigation Update

That no official action will be taken at this meeting but Minutes shall be kept and shall be available to the public after official action on the subject matter has been taken.

It is anticipated the discussion conducted in closed session can be disclosed to the public after no further action is required in this matter.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES: C/Bowen, C/Dermody, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Trammell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: C/Vroman

Time in: 8:16 pm

C/Hamilton made a motion to adjourn from Closed Session, second by C/Trammell. All in Favor.

Time out: 9:11 pm

Councilmembers returned to regular session and briefly discussed distributing flyers at Solar Village telling residents not to flush wipes into the wastewater system because the residents at Solar Village do not receive individual sewer bills. C/Esakoff offered to distribute the flyers.

C/Esakoff moved to adjourn at 9:14 pm with a second offered by C/Hamilton. With all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm.

The audio tape is available in the Clerk's Office at Borough Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: February 24, 2020