

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

Mayor and Council
 Regular Meeting Minutes of July 3, 2023

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m. and read the Open Public Meetings Act notice which stated, Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been provided by a public notice on January 6, 2023 which was posted on the Bulletin Board Roosevelt Post Office and in the Borough Hall. The notice was published in The Times and Asbury Park Press.

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE ARRIVAL
<i>Councilmember Robert Atwood</i>	✓		
<i>Councilmember Lou Esakoff</i>	✓		
<i>Councilmember Michael Hamilton</i>	✓		
<i>Councilmember Constance Herrstrom</i>	✓		
<i>Councilmember Steven Macher</i>	✓		
<i>Councilmember Joe Trammell</i>	✓		
<i>Mayor Peggy Malkin</i>	✓		

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

MAYOR’S REPORT: No Report.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only)

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for agenda items only at 7:05 p.m.

1. Nona Sherak, 4 Maple Court – Questions the cost on the Amphitheater and feels that spending \$500,000 to fix something that may be broken but doesn’t need to be fixed and that is not even used all that often. She would like it to be beautiful but not for a half a million dollars. Get a good mason to bring it up to code. M/Malkin explains that first we have to see if we are awarded the grant and how much we are awarded. C/Hamilton states it is still in the conceptual phase and there are sections we repaired with concrete patch that are falling apart and water has gotten behind the brick base. Nona Sherak states she is not saying to patch it but to fix it. C/Hamilton states sometimes to fix something you have to re-construct it. Nona Sherak states that the blue stone probably added between \$100,000 to \$150,000 to the job, it is not a good choice. C/Hamilton explains the process of the grant and how we will move forward with the architect on our choices if we are awarded the grant. Attorney Greg Cannon explains how this is a matching grant and the process. C/Atwood states how RAP would like to use it more if it is fixed properly for events and is sure that other groups would also use it more. C/Esakoff asks can we cut back if the Council chooses and yes we can.
2. Mary Tulloss, 21 Lake Drive – Asks about work on Lake Drive and Spruce Lane. Are their sidewalks and curbs and is the street going to be re-paved? C/Trammell explains the engineer will review if we receive the grant. Mary Tulloss states on Spruce Lane we have grass and her opinion is that we are better off with grass or a swale and not a curb. Mary Tulloss also states if the winery goes in, Spruce Lane it is a very narrow lane and that can be a problem.

M/Malkin closed the Public Comment for agenda items at 7:27 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter from Roberts Engineering, dated June 23, 2023 regarding NJDOT Application for Local Transportation Project Fund Grant FY2024.
2. Letter from Roberts Engineering, dated June 20, 2023 regarding NJDOT Trust Fund Application for Municipal Aid Fiscal Year 2024.
3. Letter from Prevention Coalition of Monmouth County, dated June 16, 2023 regarding International Overdose Awareness Day.
4. Loss Control Report from J.A. Montgomery Consulting, dated June 12, 2023.

MINUTES: None Presented

ORDINANCES:

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

BOND ORDINANCE 2023-05 BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2022-03 ADOPTED ON APRIL 4, 2022, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS WATER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$180,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$525,000, AND TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$180,000 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$525,000, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:29pm
 No Public Comment
 M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:29pm

On a motion by C/Esakoff to adopt Ordinance 2023-05, with a second offered by C/Trammell.

Roll Call:

AYES: C/Atwood, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Herrstrom, C/Macher, C/Trammell
 NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING:

BOND ORDINANCE 2023-06 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO NORTH VALLEY ROAD, APPROPRIATING \$470,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$238,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:30pm
 No Public Comment
 M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:30pm

On a motion by C/Esakoff to adopt Ordinance 2023-06, with a second offered by C/Trammell.

Roll Call:

AYES: C/Atwood, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Herrstrom, C/Macher, C/Trammell
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

- Resolution 23-71 Payment of Bills for July 3, 2023
- Resolution 23-72 Resolution: Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Improvements to Lake Drive and Spruce Lane
- Resolution 23-73 Municipal Resolution: (Authorizing Grant Application to Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Program for the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Amphitheater)

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda Resolutions 23-71 through 23-73, with a second offered by C/Esakoff.

Roll Call:

AYES: C/Atwood, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Herrstrom, C/Macher, C/Trammell
NAYS: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

- Environmental, Health & Safety: None
- Administration: None
- Finance: None
- Community Dev/Code: None
- Public Works: None
- Utilities: None

REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:34pm

1. Louise Hoffman, 58 Lake Drive – Questions about the winery as our property abuts the property and are concerned about the noise, food trucks, parking especially when I sit on my back patio. We live here because it’s quiet. I have nothing against the winery but I am concerned with the parking and traffic. It seems so out of place. Beth has been a great neighbor. M/Malkin states it is in the very early stages. At the next council meeting we will have an ordinance to allow the winery.
2. Brandon Kijowski, 59 Lake Drive – He also is concerned with the traffic and noise if the property becomes a winery. Only one time have we dealt with noise and that was only one night. I can’t imagine if this becomes a winery how many nights we would have to deal with the noise and traffic. They moved here 3 years ago because of the quiet and calmness.
3. Nona Sherak, 4 Maple Court – States when you are stopped on Pine Drive and Rochdale the first tree on left blocks your vision and you can’t see the road. The tree needs to come down. Also, the triangle where Tamara and Pine meet, those branches fall all the time and half of them are dead or dying. M/Malkin states we will send out Public Works.

4. Michael Ticktin, 37 North Valley Road – Coming out of Oscar Drive and looking to your left some branches are obstructing the view. It's on Borough property he believes. C/Trammell also states at the water plant needs to be looked at.

M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:47pm

C/Esakoff made a motion, with a second offered by C/Trammell to adjourn meeting with an All in Favor.

Time Out: 7:47 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: August 21, 2023