

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

**Mayor and Council
Regular Meeting Minutes of May 3, 2021**

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:08 pm and explained that due to the Coronavirus and the need for social distancing, this meeting is being held remotely and available to the public in a live feed. The standard protocols for remote meetings set forth in Resolution 20-108 adopted November 23, 2020, will be followed. M/Malkin read the Open Public Meetings Act statement: “Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been provided by a public notice on January 25, 2021, 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.”

Mayor Malkin announced that the Oath of Office was administered to Councilmember Robert Atwood by the Borough Clerk this afternoon. The Mayor and Council welcomed C/Atwood as a new member of the Borough Council.

ROLL CALL

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

Also in attendance: Greg Cannon, Esq., Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk
Gerry Stankiewicz, Borough Auditor
Cameron Carini, Roberts Engineering Group, Inc.

MAYOR’S REPORT

M/Malkin expressed deepest sympathy to Joe Trammell on the passing of his mother.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for agenda items only at 7:12 pm.

Maureen Parrott, 2 Tamara Drive: Requested the Tamara Drive paving project include speed bumps; suggested that the public be permitted to comment on any agenda items at the beginning of the meeting rather than waiting until the end of the meeting.

C/Malkin closed the Public Comment for agenda items at 7:14 pm.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter received from Roberts Engineering Group, LLC, dated April 29, 2021 regarding NJDOT Application for Municipal Aid Grant FY2022

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **April 19, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

C/Esakoff made a motion to approve the minutes, with a second offered by C/Hamilton. No discussion.

Roll Call

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

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 21-63 Payment of Bills for May 3, 2021

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-63, with a second offered by C/Esakoff. No discussion.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-64 A Resolution of the Borough Council of the Borough of Roosevelt to Accepting the 2019 Audit Report

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-64, with a second offered by C/Esakoff. C/Hamilton commented that it was a very clean audit. Mr. Stankiewicz explained that the Borough and the State have been notified that all accounting records are in order and the audit report has been filed with State, the iBank and the Monmouth County Improvement Authority and the appropriate rating agency. Mr. Stankiewicz commended Chief Finance Officer, George Lang, and thanked the Borough Council for approving the audit report.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-65 A Resolution to Approve Shared Services Agreement with Monmouth County for MODIV Property Assessment Computer Services

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-65, with a second offered by C/Esakoff. No discussion.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-66 Resolution Amending Resolution No. 20-72 Authorizing the Borough Engineer to Provide Plans and Specifications for Rehabilitation of Well No. 3, Advertise, Receive Bids and Recommend Award of a Contract

C/Trammell made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-66, with a second offered by C/Esakoff. C/Trammell discussed the inspection of Well No. 3 and anticipates it being operational on Wednesday; C/Hamilton questioned the additional \$5,000 requested by Engineer; Mr. Corini, of the Roberts Engineering Group, provided an explanation for the additional funding.

Roll Call

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

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Environmental Health & Safety: No report.

Community Dev/Code: No report.

Administration: C/Esakoff discussed improvements at Borough Hall.

Finance: C/Hamilton discussed planning and finalizing the 2021 budget and discussed Federal and State funding for infrastructure improvement projects.

Public Works: C/Macher discussed drainage on Nurko Road and also discussed street sweeping in conjunction with brush pickup and jet vacing of storm drains.

Utilities: C/Trammell discussed Well No. 3 and also discussed the drainage issues at Nurko Road; Mr. Corini commented on the erosion and drainage issues and explained that both Freehold Soil Conservation and Monmouth County have been contacted regarding these concerns. Mr. Cannon discussed enforcement action and the Right to Farm Act.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. FY2021 Local Recreation Improvement Grant (LRIG) from Division of Local Government Services: Mr. Corini discussed the grant program designed for improving existing recreational facilities and community centers in response to the pandemic and discussed submitting an application for rehabilitating the amphitheater area.
2. Resolution 21-59 - Resolution Amending Resolution 21-02 Establishing Council Committees for the Year 2021

C/Trammell made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-59, with a second offered by C/Esakoff. C/Atwood agreed to fill the Council Committee openings resulting from the resignation of Mr. Vroman.

Roll Call

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

3. Resolution 21-60 - Amending Resolution 21-03 Appointing the Planning Board Class III Member for the Year 2021

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-60, with a second offered by C/Hamilton.

Roll Call

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

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discuss recommendations from Borough Engineer re: NJDOT Application for Municipal Aid Grant FY2022. Mr. Corini provided an overview of the grant program and recommended two options for a grant submission. One option is to submit for improvements to Pine Drive from Tamara to the dead end at the wastewater treatment plant and an alternative is to submit for improvements to Tamara Drive between Pine Drive and Rochdale Avenue. Mr. Corini explained that speed humps could be included in either application in response to resident concerns. Council members discussed upgrades to water mains and gas lines in relation to road improvements. The application is due July 1, 2021.
2. Proposal from Gus Voulle concerning Bicycle Park: Mr. Voulle presented information regarding a bicycle park pump track at Roosevelt Park. The park is on Borough land that was acquired with Green Acres funding and therefore subject to Green Acres regulations. M/Malkin, Councilmembers and Environmental Commission Chairman, Michael Ticktin, asked questions and discussed safety issues, fencing, insurance, construction, maintenance, parking, Green Acres regulations, the environmental impact and alternative locations for this type of recreational facility. Council members asked Mr. Voulle to do some additional research on the development of this project. M/Malkin suggested that Mr. Voulle present this proposal at the next Environmental Commission meeting scheduled for May 19, 2021.
3. Reminder: Branch Pick Up – May 17, 2021

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item):

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for any item at 8:57 pm.

Maureen Parrott, 2 Tamara Drive: Commended the Mayor and Council for the improvements to the interior and exterior of Borough Hall as well as other areas of the Borough; requested the installation of wooden boards as on trail 20 foot area that is always muddy; requested that the street cleaning contract include the removal of gravel and dirt; requested the contract for mowing include that branches are removed prior to mowing; suggested the clearing debris from storm drains after it rains; requested an annual leaf pickup; thanked the Governing Body for a terrific job.

C/Malkin closed the meeting to Public Comment at 9:07 pm.

At 9:07 pm, C/Esakoff made a motion to adjourn, with a second offered by C/Trammell, and with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 9:07 pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: May 17, 2021