

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

**Mayor and Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes of April 18, 2022**

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:06 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. Mayor 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 12, 2022, which was posted on the Bulletin Boards at the Roosevelt Post Office and in the Borough Hall. The notice was published in The Times and Asbury Park Press.

**ROLL CALL**

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>LATE ARRIVAL</b>
<i>Councilmember Robert Atwood</i>		✓	
<i>Councilmember Lou Esakoff</i>		✓	7:09PM
<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: Christina Malamut, Esq., Carmela Roberts, Borough Engineer and Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):**

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for agenda items only at 7:09 pm.

No public comment.

M/Malkin closed the Public Comment for agenda items at 7:09 pm.

**PROCLAMATION:** M/Malkin read into the record the Arbor Day Proclamation for 2022.

Arbor Day Proclamation

Whereas, In 1872, J. Sterling Morton Proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

Whereas, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

Whereas, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

Whereas, trees can reduce the erosion of topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife

Whereas, trees are renewable resource giving us paper, wood for building homes, fuel for fires and countless wood products, and

Whereas, trees in our Borough increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

Whereas, trees greatly enhance the lives of our residents.

Now, Therefore, I, Peggy Malkin, Mayor of the Borough of Roosevelt, Monmouth County, New Jersey, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2022 as Arbor Day in the Borough of Roosevelt

Further, I encourage all our residents to plant a tree and celebrate Arbor Day.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- **March 21, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

On a motion by C/Esakoff to accept the minutes, with a second offered by C/Herrstrom. C/Hamilton notes Greg DeFoe’s name was misspelled. C/Esakoff motions to accept the corrected minutes, with a second offered by C/Herrstrom, the minutes were approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call:

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

**CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**ORDINANCES:**

**FIRST READING**

**BOND ORDINANCE 2022-04**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TAMARA DRIVE BETWEEN PINE DRIVE AND SOUTH ROCHDALE AVENUE, APPROPRIATING \$419,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$419,000 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

Public Hearing to be held on May 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough of Roosevelt, 33 N. Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt, NJ 08555.

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt on first reading Ordinance 2022-04, with a second offered by C/Esakoff.

Roll Call:

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

**FIRST READING**

**BOND ORDINANCE 2022-05**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TAMARA DRIVE BETWEEN PINE DRIVE AND SOUTH ROCHDALE AVENUE, APPROPRIATING \$610,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE

ISSUANCE OF \$436,300 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

Public Hearing to be held on May 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough of Roosevelt, 33 N. Rochdale Avenue, Roosevelt, NJ 08555.

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt on first reading Ordinance 2022-05, with a second offered by C/Trammell.

Roll Call:

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

**CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:**

Resolution 22-53 Payment of Bills for April 18, 2022

Resolution 22-54 Authorizing Temporary Emergency Appropriations #3

Resolution 22-55 A Resolution Authorizing the Borough Engineer to Transmit a Draft of the Borough's New Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for Review and Approval, Prior to its Introduction and Adoption, in Accordance with Applicable State and Federal Regulations

C/Esakoff made a motion, with a second offered by C/Herrstrom, to adopt the Consent Agenda Resolutions 22-53 through 22-55. C/Hamilton questions 2 bills that were from J. Holden and Lyons Environmental. C/Trammell states there was a meeting at the water plant that they attended along with the Engineer and C/Trammell and the rest is maintenance per the contracts.

Roll Call:

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

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS:**

**Environmental, Health & Safety:** No report

**Administration:** No report

**Finance:** No report

**Community Development/Code Enforcement:** No report

**Public Works:** C/Macher reports well number 4 needs a little work; the new truck was repaired and returned; Greg DeFoe will re-paint the speed bumps in town.

**Utilities:** C/Trammell reports he spoke with John Holder and all the services on Farm Lane have been done; hydrants flushed on the east side of town; Homestead and Farm Lanes look excellent, very clean. C/Hamilton asks if there is a schedule for flushing hydrants? C/Trammell states we do it

once or twice a year. The east side is done and the west side will be done on Wednesday. A CodeRed was sent out and a notice was posted at the Post Office.

**REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS:**

Michael Ticktin, Environmental Commission Chairman, thanks the Council for the Arbor Day Proclamation and states it is part of our Tree City Certification. Weekend in Old Monmouth is scheduled for April 30 and May 1. The School and the Borough are on one of the tour sites, The School will be open from 10am-5pm on Saturday and 12pm-5pm on Sunday. Hopefully, people will visit and learn about our town.

**OLD BUSINESS:** C/Hamilton states he had a request from RAP to hang pictures on the walls. Mayor Malkin states she knows about it and they can only use command strips for hanging pictures, no nails.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Use of Borough Hall: RAP on May 14, 2022 from 8-10pm for Canadian Folk Music by the Roosevelt String Band.  
C/Trammell made a motion to approve, with a second offered by C/Esakoff, with an All in Favor.
2. Branch Pick Up – week of 5/23/22. A flyer will go out to residents with the details.
3. M/Malkin asks the Council to think about doing an ordinance to limited the number of vehicles and RV's, on resident's property. The Council discusses and the Borough Attorney will review the Borough Ordinances.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: (Any item)**

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:41pm

No Public comment

M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:41pm

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Resolution 22-56 Providing for a Private Executive Meeting that Excludes the Public

C/Esakoff made a motion, with a second offered by C/Herrstrom, to adopt Closed Session Resolution

**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 be held in Private Session.
- That the general nature of the matter(s) to be discussed relate to the matters:
  - a. Potential Litigation – Nurko Road Right of Way Encroachment
    - That no official action will be taken at the 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 the matter.

Roll Call:

AYES: C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Herrstrom, C/Macher, C/Trammell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: C/Atwood

Time In: 7:44pm; Time Out: 7:53pm

C/Trammell states that we do have a code, Chapter 22-15 Off Street Public Parking Areas which we might want to amend. The Borough Attorney states you can also amend Chapter 7-11 Parking Prohibited During Certain Hours on Certain Streets.

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

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

Time Out: 7:56pm

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

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: May 2, 2022