

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

**Mayor and Council  
Regular Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2022**

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:05 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<br/>ARRIVAL</b> |
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| <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., 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 7:06 pm.

1. Maureen Parrott, 2 Tamara Drive, speaks about the speeding on Tamara and Pine; people go well over 25 MPH and asks that the engineer add legally designed speed humps into the repaving project. Ms. Parrott speaks about the statistics related to pedestrians being hit by speeding cars and the studies of speed humps.

M/Malkin closed the Public Comment for agenda items at 7:12 pm.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- **April 4, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

On a motion by C/Esakoff to accept the minutes, with a second offered by C/Herrstrom. The minutes were approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call:

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

- **April 18, 2022 – Regular Council Meeting Minutes**

On a motion by C/Esakoff to accept the minutes, with a second offered by C/Atwood. The minutes were approved by the following roll call vote:

Roll Call:

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

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Letter, dated April 21, 2022, from NJDOT regarding the Fiscal Year 2023 State Aid Programs. C/Hamilton states that there is other grant money available for walking and biking paths and could also be included in the grant application. M/Malkin states North Valley may be a preference; with all the problems we have.

**ORDINANCES:**

**PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND 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**

**M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:16pm**

**No Public Comment**

**M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:17pm**

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 on second reading, with a second offered by C/Hamilton. Discussion: C/Hamilton states it’s a 20-year BAN.

Roll Call:

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

**PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND 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**

**M/Malkin opens the public comment at 7:19pm**

**No Public Comment**

**M/Malkin closes the public comment at 7:20pm**

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2022-05 on second reading, with a second offered by C/Trammell. C/Hamilton states \$173,700 was NJDOT money and are only bonding for \$436,300.

C/Trammell states that if we keep going at this rate we will have replaced all the old water mains in the old part of town in the next 2 – 3 years.

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 22-57 Payment of Bills for May 2, 2022
- Resolution 22-58 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Agreement with OnSolve, LLC for CodeRED Communications Services
- Resolution 22-59 Resolution Authorizing Roberts Engineering Group, LLC to Survey, Design, Permit, Bid, Administration and Inspect a Road Replacement Project on Pine Drive
- Resolution 22-60 Resolution Authorizing Roberts Engineering Group, LLC to Survey, Design, Permit, Bid, Administration and Inspect a Water Main Replacement Project on Pine Drive
- Resolution 22-61 Resolution Approving Fire Protection and Basic Life Support Shared Services Agreement with the Millstone Township Fire District to Provide Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services to the Borough Equivalent to Those Services Provided Within the Limits of Millstone Township

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Resolutions 22-57 through 22-61, with a second offered by C/Hamilton.

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:** No report

**Administration:** No report

**Finance:** C/Hamilton states that Ana will set up a Finance Committee meeting with George Lang, CFO to discuss the 2022 budget. The meeting will be advertised so any member of the Council or resident can come and provide input. We will need to talk to the Borough Engineer regarding the next road to do with the NJDOT grant program; possibly North Valley Road with all the issues that are there. We should also look into the additional funding for local transportation, paths and biking. Discussion takes place regarding pros and cons of speed bumps.

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

**Public Works:** No report

**Utilities:** No report

**REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS:**

Michael Ticktin, 37 N. Valley Road, Environmental Commission Chairman: The weekend in Old Monmouth Program was quite successful. There were about 21 people that stopped in and discussed the mural and the history of the town. The Environmental Commission had a successful Arbor Day Celebration with the Mayor reading the proclamation and Steve Taylor planting a Bald Cypress. Ellen Silverman discusses the trail maintenance annual assessment report which was presented and

voted on by the Environmental Commission. Ellen Silverman states the budget is \$2,409.37 of that \$1,500.00 ANJEC grant was submitted and waiting to hear back by May 20<sup>th</sup>. If we do not receive the grant then our budget would be \$2,409.37. Mayor Malkin states we'll just wait to hear if you receive the grant or not. C/Hamilton states then we can discuss with the Finance Committee. Ellen Silverman will email the trail maintenance annual assessment report to the Council.

C/Hamilton thanked the Mayor, Ana and Greg DeFoe for getting the tree signs posted in town about requiring a permit for the cutting of trees and hopefully people will read those signs.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Mayor Malkin discusses with the Council a meeting with the Monmouth County Traffic Engineers about signs pointing the way to Great Adventure; the increase traffic and the potential hazardous situation with the school children crossing Route 571. Unfortunately, no sign can be put up. The County Engineers can put a larger sign showing Route 571 goes to the left when you get to Rochdale and Tamara and paint yellow lines from Rochdale and curve around to follow Route 571. Once the sign is erected on 571 we can call JCP&L and have extra street lights installed. As far as the school, there is a different type of flashing light that can be installed and a new pole will have an arm that is perpendicular to the pole and flashing 25MPH. They also asked how many accidents and deaths have occurred at this intersection. Mayor Malkin states there have been no deaths but many near misses and unfortunately those are the algorithms the government uses to determine big signage changes. They will investigate to see if it will be possible for the 4 way stop sign to be installed. It was an extremely productive meeting and they were very interested in helping us. Mayor Malkin suggests that a flyer be sent out reminding the residents of the speed limit.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Reminder: Branch Pick Up – 5/23/22

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT: (Any item)**

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 8:00pm

1. Maureen Parrott, 2 Tamara Drive, thinks it's great that the Mayor meet with the County Engineers and suggests placing a sign in the middle of the crosswalk that says "state law requires you to stop for pedestrians". Another traffic calming measure is if you take the white lines on the outside and make them narrow. Ms. Parrott suggests the town take formal action by passing a resolution and C/Hamilton agrees. C/Hamilton states you can also go to a Board of Chosen Freeholders meeting and mention it there too. Ms. Parrott would also like speed humps to be part of the road project on Tamara Drive. Mayor Malkin will check with the Borough Engineer to see if speed humps are included on Tamara Drive road project.
2. Ellen Silverman, 10 N. Valley Road, is glad to see that the Council is seeking funds for Smart Streets and would like to ask Carmela to investigate the inclusion of Green Infrastructure for storm water over by the Post Office and Deli area such as a rain garden.
3. Terri Holland, Solar Village, questions why the deli still vacant. Mayor Malkin states the owner chooses to leave it vacant.

M/Malkin closes the public comment at 8:30pm

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

C/Esakoff made a motion to adjourn, with a second offered by C/Trammell, and with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm.

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 16, 2022