

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

**Mayor and Council
Regular Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2022**

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. 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

	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: Christine Malamut, 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 7:08 pm.

No Public Comment.

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

PRESENTATION:

1. Cannabis Presentation and Discussion: Neal Schloss, CPA, CEO, CannaSense Total Wellness, Canna Sense Cultivators, Inc states that over the past month he has meet with the three farms in town (Mendies, Gaida and Wong). Each farm owner is in favor of cultivating. Mr. Schloss will help the farmers with the application process and explains the standard operating procedures. Most important part of the application is the evidence of local approval of the community and town. Mr. Schloss describes the low, middle and high tax revenue projections along with the amount of hoop houses erected and the approximate amount of revenue they would generate. Besides a cultivation license there is also manufacturing license. Council has a lengthy discussion and security is an issue. Consensus is to have a workshop meeting and invite the public for their input. The meeting will be held via zoom on June 6, 2022 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. The regular council meeting time will change to 7:30pm and a special meeting will be scheduled on June 13, 2022 at 7:00pm. Meetings will be advertised and posted on the Borough website. Neil Schloss states if anyone has any questions to please reach out to him.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- **May 2, 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

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter received from Roberts Engineering, dated May 4, 2022 regarding NJDOT Application for Municipal Aid Grant FY2023
2. Resolution adopted by the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners amending the Monmouth County Bicycle Facility Policy and Guidelines, Resolution 2022-0325

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

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| Resolution 22-62 | Payment of Bills for May 16, 2022 |
| Resolution 22-63 | Resolution Awarding Contract for Periodic Maintenance and Repair of the Borough’s Emergency Standby Generators |
| Resolution 22-64 | Resolution Authorizing Return of Escrow Funds for 2 Eleanor Lane (Block 7, Lot 6) |

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Resolutions 22-62 through 22-64, 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

REPORT:

1. Annual Planning/Zoning Board Report for 2021

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Environmental, Health & Safety: No report

Administration: No report

Finance: C/Hamilton states that a Finance Meeting with the CFO is being scheduled soon. Some increases in the budget, such as, an increase in the Environmental Commission budget of an additional \$2,500.00, just in case a grant they applied for doesn’t come through. CodeRed increased to \$2,700.00 for the year. We would like the meeting to be advertised so that members of the Council or public can attend and add input. Mayor Malkin would like to do a little work at the amphitheater and get some of the work done before graduation. Will ask Roberts Engineering to apply for Safe Streets and Bikeways Path grants.

Community Development/Code Enforcement: Mayor Malkin reports she had a meeting with the current Code Enforcement Officer and he will continue with being the Housing and Zoning officer and continue until a new person is hired for Code Enforcement.

Public Works: No report

Utilities: Utilities are all good. Councilman Trammell has been informed that there is a bamboo growth in the driveway to the water plant.

REPORTS OF BOROUGH OFFICIALS:

Michael Ticktin reports that Weekend in Old Monmouth was very successful. There were about 20 people that toured the school.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

C/Hamilton states some members of RAP would like clarification and guidelines for the use of Borough Hall, including the use of Borough equipment. C/Esakoff states that groups should specify what equipment they you would like to use in their application. C/Atwood doesn't like the 3M strips and asks if a strip by the ceiling can be installed so that items can be hung from the strip.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Use of Borough Hall: Carol Miller, 51 Tamara Drive request the use of the Borough Hall on May 28, 2022 from 1pm – 3pm for a birthday party.

C/Hamilton made a motion to approve, with a second offered by C/Trammell, with an All in Favor.

2. NJDOT Application for Municipal Aid Grant FY2023 - C/Hamilton thinks we should address North Valley Road.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (Any item)

M/Malkin opens the public comment at 9:12pm.

Michael Ticktin, 37 North Valley Road would like to ask Neil Scholl what does he view the minimum sales price per unit? Anyone involved in regulating the Cannabis business would not be able to buy shares in the business.

M/Malkin closes the public comment at 9:14pm.

C/Hamilton reminds everyone that we have a primary election coming up on June 7, 2022. Early voting runs from June 3rd through June 5th. Please visit the Monmouth County Votes website for more information.

ADJOURNMENT:

C/Esakoff made a motion to adjourn, with a second offered by C/Atwood, and with all in favor the meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: June 20, 2022