Meeting Minutes Roosevelt Borough Council Regular Meeting October 24, 2016

Adequate notice of this meeting, as required by Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, has been provided by a public notice on January 8, 2016 which was posted on the Bulletin Board 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
Councilmember Bonna	✓	
Councilmember Impellizzeri	✓	
Councilmember Lipoti	✓	
Councilmember Malkin	✓	
Councilmember Ticktin	✓	
Vacancy		
Mayor Ellentuck	✓	

Also in attendance: Debra Sopronyi, Borough Clerk; and Richard Shaklee, Borough Attorney.

Mayor Ellentuck invited Anna Murray to come forward and address Council. She came forward and noted that for the past two years she has sponsored a Fun Run for Breast Cancer Awareness and has spoken with the Fire Department who has agreed to assist. She then asked Council for permission to do the Fun Run on November 5th at 1:00pm.

Councilmember Malkin moved to permit the Fun Run as requested, Councilmember Ticktin seconded.

Council members Bonna, Impellizzeri, Lipoti, Malkin, and Ticktin voted yes.

Motion approved 5-0.

Mayor Ellentuck thanked Ms. Murray for all her hard work sponsoring the Fun Run, and noted that it is a very worthwhile cause.

Mayor Ellentuck opened the public comment period on the consent agenda; there being no comments, the public comment period was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Ticktin moved resolutions 16-98, 16-99, 16-100, and the payment of bills as the consent agenda for approval, Councilmember Malkin seconded.

Council members Bonna, Impellizzeri, Lipoti, Malkin, and Ticktin voted yes.

Consent Agenda adopted 5-0.

Resolution 16-98: Rescinding Resolution 16-29 and Authorizing Execution of Consulting Services Agreement with Farr Forestry Services, LLC for a Forestry Management Plan
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<u>Resolution 16-99:</u> Memorializing the Administrative Policy that the Tax Assessor Notify the Governing Body of Filed Tax Appeals on or Before the First Day of June of Each Year

Resolution 16-100: Authorizing the Receipt of Bids for Chemicals

Payment of Bills

Resolutions:

<u>Resolution 16-101:</u> Rescinding Resolution 16-81 Which Authorized the Planning Board to Undertake a Preliminary Investigation to Determine Whether the Borough Hall Property is a Redevelopment Area According to the Criteria in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5

Councilmember Malkin moved resolutions 16-101, Councilmember Lipoti seconded.

There was discussion regarding the Planning Board meeting being an opportunity for public discussion and hearing the professional's opinions; money being spent with no benefit to the taxpayers; the referendum; and possible tax increases.

Councilmember Malkin voted yes; Council members Bonna, Impellizzeri, Lipoti and Ticktin voted no.

Resolution defeated 4-1.

<u>Resolution 16-102</u>: Directing the Planning Board to Prepare a Redevelopment Plan Governing the Redevelopment of Block 2, Lots 4.01 and 4.03, North Rochdale Avenue (The "Gas Station Property")

Councilmember Lipoti moved resolution 16-102, Councilmember Ticktin seconded.

Councilmember Lipoti summarized the resolution for the public.

Council members Bonna, Impellizzeri, Lipoti and Ticktin voted yes; Councilmember Malkin voted no.

Resolution adopted 4-1.

Ordinances:

2016-014 Final Reading and Public Hearing – An Ordinance of the Borough Council of the Borough of Roosevelt, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Vacation of all of the Public Right, Title and Interest of the Borough of Roosevelt in a Portion of Oscar Drive and Conveyance of Same to the County of Monmouth

Councilmember Ticktin moved ordinance 16-019 for adoption, Councilmember Malkin seconded.

Mayor Ellentuck gave a brief explanation of the ordinance and opened the public hearing on ordinance 2016-014. There being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

There was discussion regarding the metes and bounds attached and it was confirmed that this excludes 900 feet of Oscar Drive.

Council members Bonna, Impellizzeri, Lipoti, Malkin, and Ticktin voted yes.

Ordinance adopted 5-0.

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ORDINANCE NO. 16-014

BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT COUNTY OF MONMOUTH STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF ALL OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE BOROUGH OF ROOSEVELT IN A PORTION OF OSCAR DRIVE AND CONVEYANCE OF SAME TO THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Roosevelt has been requested by the County of Monmouth to vacate all of the right, title and interest of the Borough in a portion of Oscar Drive as described in Schedule A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roosevelt is legally authorized to convey the vacated area in Schedule A to the County of Monmouth for additions to Perrineville Lake Park, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(1) and (b)(5); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that the public will not adversely be affected by the vacation of the Borough's interest in a portion of Oscar Drive since the vacated portion will be conveyed to the County and will become part of the Monmouth County Park System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roosevelt, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- **Section 1.** There is hereby vacated all of the right, title and interest of the public for all public usages and purposes in and to that portion of Oscar Drive as is set forth on Schedule A attached hereto and made a part hereof; however, the Township does hereby expressly reserve and except from the vacation all rights and privileges now possessed by public utilities as defined in <u>R.S.</u> 48:2-13 and by any cable television company as defined in the "Cable Television Act," P.L. 1972, c. 186, (C.48:5A-1, *et seq.*) to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, highway, lane, alley, square, place or park or any part thereof, being vacated by the provisions of this Ordinance.
 - Section 2. Said property shall only be used for public purposes in connection with Perrineville Lake Park.
- **Section 3**. The appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized to execute and deliver contracts, deeds, and any other documents and instruments for the purpose of conveying to the County of Monmouth all of the Borough's title in full to the property described in Scheduled A. No representations of any kind have been made by the Borough of Roosevelt as to the condition of the lands, as they are being conveyed in their present condition "as is".
- **Section 4.** At least one week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage of this Ordinance, a copy hereof together with a notice stating the introduction of the Ordinance on first reading and the time and place when and where the Ordinance will be considered for final passage shall be mailed to every person whose lands may be affected by the adoption of this Ordinance.
- **Section 5.** This Ordinance shall be published at least once in the official newspaper of the Township at least ten (10) days prior to the time fixed for consideration of the final passage of this Ordinance.
- **Section 6.** The Township Clerk, if this Ordinance is adopted on final reading, shall submit a certified copy of this Ordinance, together with proof of publication, to the Monmouth County Clerk's Office for recording in the Book of Vacations.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

Section 8. A copy of Schedule A as referenced herein shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection in the Borough Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Section 9. All Ordinances, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 10. Should any section, paragraph, clause or other portion of this Ordinance be adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect or impair the remainder of this Ordinance.

Reports/Meetings of Council Committees:

<u>Councilmember Impellizzeri:</u> Noted that the parking lots has been cleaned up; there was an accident near the gas station property with live wires on the ground, Roosevelt and Millstone Fire responded as did the County; the State Police are issuing tickets at the stop sign on Clarksburg Road.

Councilmember Ticktin: advised that code enforcement has been successful.

<u>Councilmember Lipoti:</u> Advised that a drought warning has been issued and recommended voluntary water conservation; the sewer plant lost power and the generator did not kick on, the generator service company must be addressed; there is still no meter at the location here the Lake Drive generator is to be installed. There was discussion regarding who is responsible for the delay, and that the Borough will investigate.

Councilmember Lipoti continued that KTK needs to return to grade and seed at the sewer plant; Toby's son passed away Thursday and services will be held on Saturday; the RAP Art Walk was a success; and safety signs have been posted at the trail.

There was discussion regarding RAP providing art for Borough Hall, possibly installing mirrors on the doors for Tai Chi, and dressing up Borough Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

Best Practices Submission

The Borough Clerk explained the changes to the Best Practices submission as prepared by her and the CFO. Council discussed the Best Practices submission.

Use of Borough Hall

Councilmember Ticktin moved to permit the use of the Borough Hall by resident Jodi Parsons on June 2 & 3, 2017 for a staging place for a wedding, Councilmember Malkin seconded.

All Ayes, permission granted.

Mayor Ellentuck opened the public comment period and the following individuals spoke:

Eitan Grunwald, Chair of the Environmental Commission – advised that the Environmental Commission did not meet due to the Town Hall meeting; use of non-slip coatings in the trail is being investigated; the invasive species committee will be performing a removal this Saturday and they will be planting to replace what is removed. There was brief discussion.

Jeff Klein – noted that the 9-1-1 system is falling apart and regionalization of First Aid service is needed; suggested shared volunteer and paid service.

There was discussion regarding the number of volunteers for Fire and First Aid; billing for First Aid services; costs associated with a new building; cost estimates for various options; insurance premium increases with no Fire Department; and use of the siren.

Bob Francis – noted that he will be voting yes on the referendum for his own personal safety and health.

There was discussion regarding a tax increase.

Maureen Parrott – inquired as to whether the Borough does background checks on new employees. It was replied that checks are done based on the personnel policy.

Ms. Parrott then inquired as to whether the Fire Department is holding the Borough hostage for a new building. Mayor Ellentuck advised that the Firefighters will return if they have a building to work out of. There was discussion regarding code inspections and that the present building is unusable; and that infrastructure repairs are paid for by all residents.

Ms. Parrott commented that the referendum does not offer the opportunity for a No vote. Councilmember Lioti noted that a lot of work went into developing the referendum and it offers the lowest cost options as developed and advised by the Borough professionals.

There was discussion regarding mutual aid and paid First Aid; violations; costs; and the animosity this issue has caused in the community.

There being no further comments, the public comment period was closed.

Mayor Ellentuck reminded the public that Council will be holding a special meeting on Wednesday, October 26th at 7:00pm to discuss the Planning Board's recommendations regarding the redevelopment plan.

Councilmember Ticktin moved to adjourn at 8:55pm, Councilmember Bonna seconded. All ayes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra L. Sopronyi, RMC Borough Clerk