

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

**Mayor and Council
Regular Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2021**

Mayor Malkin opened the meeting at 7:07 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. 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 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 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

MAYOR’S REPORT: No report.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Agenda items only):

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

No public comment.

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

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter received from Roberts Engineering regarding the NJDOT Application for Safe Routes to Schools FY2022, dated June 1, 2021; to be discussed under New Business.
2. Resignation letter from Councilman Luke Dermody, effective immediately. M/Malkin expressed gratitude to Councilman Dermody for his time on the the Council and his service to the community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- **May 17, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

Roll Call

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

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 21-71 Payment of Bills for June 7, 2021

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-71, with a second offered by C/Esakoff.
C/Hamilton commented on bills related to Well No. 3 rehabilitation and jetting of sewer lines.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-72 Resolution Authorizing Temporary Emergency Appropriations #2

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-72, with a second offered by C/Esakoff.
C/Hamilton explained statutory guidelines regarding temporary appropriations and adoption of budget.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-73 Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Millstone Township Board of Education for Electric, HVAC and Mechanic Services

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-73, 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: None

Resolution 21-74 Resolution of the Borough of Roosevelt Declaring its Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures for Project Costs from the Proceeds of Debt Obligations in Connection with its Participation in the New Jersey Water Bank

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-74, with a second offered by C/Esakoff.
C/Hamilton discussed IBank financing through the State for water mains; Resolutions 21-74 through 21-78 pertain to the IBank financing.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-75 Resolution of the Borough of Roosevelt, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, Determining the Form and Other Details of its "Note Relating to the Water Bank Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey

Infrastructure Bank”, to be Issued in the Principal Amount of up to \$695,200, and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Such Note to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Such Note by the Borough of Roosevelt in Favor of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, all Pursuant to the Water Bank Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank

C/Trammell made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-75, with a second offered by C/Atwood. No discussion.

Roll Call

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

Resolution 21-76 Resolution of the Borough of Roosevelt Declaring its Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures for Project Costs from the Proceeds of Debt Obligations in Connection with its Participation in the New Jersey Water Bank

C/Hamilton made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-76, 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: None

Resolution 21-77 Resolution of the Borough of Roosevelt, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, Determining the Form and Other Details of its “Note Relating to the Water Bank Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank”, to be Issued in the Principal Amount of up to \$715,000, and Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Such Note to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, and Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Such Note by the Borough of Roosevelt in Favor of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, all Pursuant to the Water Bank Construction Financing Program of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank.

C/Trammell made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-77, 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: None

Resolution 21-78 Resolution Authorizing a Reimbursement to 42 Pine Drive, Block 2, Lot 43

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-78, with a second offered by C/Trammell. M/Malkin explained that this reimbursement is related to a defective water meter.

Roll Call

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

ABSENT: None

Resolution 21-79 Resolution Appointing Planning Board Secretary

C/Esakoff made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-79, with a second offered by C/Atwood. M/Malkin explained that April Claudio has accepted the position and she is very experienced.

Roll Call

AYES: C/Atwood, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, 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 discussed the process for preparing and adopting the budget.

Public Works: C/Macher explained that a tree on Rochdale, across from Borough Hall, was cut down and a tree on Oscar Drive came down, which was cleared from the road by residents.

Utilities: C/Trammell explained that Well No. 3 is complete and has been online; discussed installing security cameras at the sewer plant, water plant and water tower.

Community Dev/Code: No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

M/Malkin discussed the following:

1. There will be a summer recreation program that will run from late July to late August; information will be posted on the Borough website and will be sent home from the school.
2. The sixth grade graduation will be Thursday, June 10th, with a rain date of Friday; if outside, the public will be invited but the amphitheater is reserved for graduate family members only; no awards will be given out this year.
3. The Primary Election will be held tomorrow; polls are open from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

1. NJ DoT Application for Safe Routes to Schools FY2022: C/Hamilton discussed the program to improve safety for children including sidewalks and crosswalks. The cost to have the Borough Engineer prepare the grant is \$7,000 and the deadline to apply is October 14th; this item will be discussed at the next finance committee meeting.
2. Cannabis Legislation: Attorney Cannon discussed the Cannabis Act and explained the three options available to municipalities including 1) opting out and declaring the town a dry town for cannabis purposes; 2) permitting one or more of the six classes of cannabis businesses; can regulation any of 6 businesses and can control like any other business thru zoning laws; 3) there is an option to do nothing, in which case four of the six businesses will be automatically allowed and the remaining two business will be permitted in certain zones. Council members entered into a lengthy discussion regarding the various options and agreed to distribute a flyer and solicit input from residents regarding the cannabis business options.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Any item):

M/Malkin opened the meeting to Public Comment for any item at 8:41 pm.

Michael Tickin, 37 N. Valley Drive: Discussed indoor farmland use on preserved farmland; the flyer to residents should include options and should not be limited to a yes or no answer; confirmed that Roosevelt is not a low to moderate community per the census; discussed the Environmental Commission Secretary position.

C/Malkin closed the meeting to Public Comment at 8:46 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

C/Esakoff made a motion to move to Closed Session, seconded by C/Trammell.

The Borough Clerk read Resolution 21-80: Providing for a Private Executive Meeting that Excludes the Public.

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
 - b. Potential Litigation – Encroachment on Green Acres
- 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/Atwood, C/Esakoff, C/Hamilton, C/Macher, C/Trammell

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Time in: 8:49 pm

C/Trammell made a motion to return to open session, second by C/Esakoff. All in Favor.

Time out: 9:14 pm

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

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Hart, Borough Clerk

Adopted Date: