

**BOROUGH OF ROSELLE
MAYOR & COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING
MAY 13, 2020**

Mayor Dansereau called the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, Mayor and Council Regular meeting of the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, held at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, New Jersey to order on May 13, 2020 at 6:30p.m. The flag salute was done, and the invocation was given by Councilwoman Johnson.

Acting Municipal Clerk, Lydia Massey then read the below Statement of Compliance into Record:

This is to state for the record that this meeting is being held according to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, Section 5, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, by posting and maintaining the annual notice of Regular and Workshop Meetings on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board, by emailing the Annual Notice of Regular and Workshop meetings for 2020 to the Union County Local Source and The Home News Tribune in 2019, by posting on the Borough of Roselle website, and by filing said notice in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Denise Wilkerson	Councilwoman	P	
Brandon Bernier	Councilman	P	
Cindy Thomas	Councilwoman	P	
Isabel Sousa	Councilwoman	P	
John Fortuna	Councilman	P	
Cynthia Johnson	Councilwoman	P	
Christine Dansereau	Mayor	P	

ALSO PRESENT:

Jack Layne, Borough Administrator; Mohamed Jalloh, Borough Attorney; Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk

Mayor Dansereau opened up the public comment portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Seeing no-one wishing to speak, Mayor Dansereau closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

No Department Reports were given

Mayor Dansereau asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the resolutions on the upcoming regular meeting agenda as follows:

SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE MAY 20, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

PROCLAMATIONS

In Memory of Dorothy Mae Dobbins

In Memory of Avron Albert Alves

Police Week 2020

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting – March 18, 2020

Minutes of the Mayor and Council Combined Workshop & Regular Meeting – April 15, 2020

COMMITTEE REPORTS

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2619-20
AMENDING AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY” [Public Hearing – May 20, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2620-20
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 100-3, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE ENTITLED "STAFFING LEVELS" [Public Hearing – May 20, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2621-20
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, CREATING A RESIDENTIAL OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMIT FOR CERTAIN AREAS [Public Hearing – May 20, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2622-20
AN ORDINANCE TO MANDATE DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR ALL MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES AND ELECTED OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 52:14-15f [Public Hearing – May 20, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2623-20
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55 “FEES FOR BOROUGH SERVICES,”
ARTICLE IX “TAX COLLECTOR’S OFFICE” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
ROSELLE TO ADD A SERVICE CHARGE FOR INSUFFICIENT FUNDS [Public Hearing –
May 20, 2020]

PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Pending resolutions only)

RESOLUTIONS

Borough Administrator	
1.	Resolution Authorizing Summer Hours For Borough White Collar Employees Under OPEIU Local 32 Excluding Those Assigned to DPW and Municipal Court
Engineering	
2.	Resolution Authorizing Professional Planning Services in Connection With the Preparation of a Redevelopment Plan for Block 3801, Lots 2.01, 4, 5 and 6 Located Along First Avenue
Finance	
3.	Resolution Appointing John Mosca as Full-Time Chief Financial Officer at the Salary of \$105,000.00
4.	Resolution Authorizing Approval of the Calendar Year 2020 Emergency Temporary Appropriation
Purchasing	
5.	Resolution Approving a List of Qualified Vendors for Professional Services Within the Borough of Roselle For the Fiscal Year 2020-21
6.	Awarding A Contract To Accurate Amendment Solutions, LLC to Evaluate the FEMA Public Assistance Project
Recreation	
7.	Suspending All Recreation Programs and Events Until September 30, 2020
Tax Collector	
8.	Authorize Tax Title Lien Redemptions
<u>PAYMENT OF BILLS</u>	
9.	A Bill List Dated May 20, 2020 [To be Provided]

Workshop Meeting (Cont’d)

Councilman Bernier said that he had a question about Resolution Number 1; and didn’t know if it should be addressed in Public or Executive Session.

Borough Attorney, Mohamed Jalloh, answered that it should be discussed in Executive Session, as it relates to personnel.

Council President Wilkerson asked that Resolution Number 3 be discussed in Executive Session as well.

Councilwoman Wilkerson asked if her supposition that Resolution Number 4 would be updated was correct.

Borough Administrator, Jack Layne, confirmed that she was correct.

Motion by President Wilkerson, seconded by Councilman Bernier to move Resolutions 2,5,6,7 and 8 to the Consent Agenda; and move Resolutions 1, 3 and 4 to the Non-Consent Agenda.

Vote Record – Motion to set Consent and Non-Consent Agendas for the May 20, 2020 Regular Meeting				
	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilwoman Wilkerson	x			
Councilman Bernier	x			
Councilwoman Thomas	x			
Councilwoman Sousa	x			
Councilman Fortuna	x			
Councilman Johnson	x			
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COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilwoman Sousa said that she hoped everyone had a great Mother's Day and gave condolences to the families who had lost loved ones. She also gave condolences to the Walker and Atkins families. She said that the day was a very special day in Portugal. She acknowledged Principal Andreea Harry and the Dr. Charles C. Polk School for the Mother's Day/ Community Appreciation Parade. She said that the Census was very important and encouraged everyone to complete it.

Councilman Bernier had no comments.

Councilwoman Johnson had no comments.

Councilwoman Thomas acknowledged Nation Police Week and thanked Chief Barnes for all the work the Police Department does in Roselle. She reminded residents to complete the 2020 Census and extended her condolences to the Atkins and Ivy Families.

Councilman Fortuna gave his condolences to the Atkins Family, and all families who had lost loved ones within the past month. He addressed the questions about bulk trash pick-up, which he

said would not resume before June 8, 2020. He confirmed the guidelines and dates for cardboard pick-up.

Council President Wilkerson echoed the encouragement of her colleagues, to get the 2020 Census completed. She gave her condolences to the Atkins, Blaize and Hossain Families. She said that the Council has tough decisions to make and that she was confident that the Borough would continue to press through the pandemic.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Dansereau addressed the loss of Ms. Dorothy Mae Dobbins and mother Lona Wiggins Nixon, saying that they were very personal losses. She gave her condolences to the Atkins Family and all families who had recently lost loved ones. She asked that everyone keep long time 5th Ward Resident, Alberta McLeod in their thoughts and prayers. She talked about the banner that was ordered to honor the Abraham Clark graduating class of 2020. She said that there would be more signage to promote the 2020 Census and lights to decorate Chestnut Street being put up soon. She announced that there would be a Memorial Day Ceremony, although there would be no traditional parade and festivities. She talked about the coronavirus and herd immunity. She said that the Motor Vehicle Commission was providing many services online, including license renewal.

Motion by Councilman Bernier, seconded by Councilwoman Johnson, to adopt Resolution Number 2020-150 and go into Closed Executive Session.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-150

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED (EXECUTIVE SESSION)

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Roselle Council, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussions of and action hereinafter specified as:

- Matters Falling Within Attorney-Client Privilege
- Litigation Matters - Sitarski vs. the Borough of Roselle
- Contract Negotiations - Union, Sheridan Gardens, Senior Housing Project
- Personnel Matters

2. It is anticipated at this time, the above stated subject matters will be made public when it is determined that the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

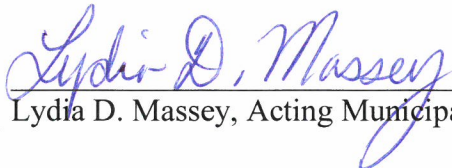
I, Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Roselle, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, County of Union, State of New Jersey at a Regular meeting of said Council held May 13, 2020.

Vote Record – Resolution Number 2020-150				
	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilwoman Wilkerson	x			
Councilman Bernier	x			
Councilwoman Thomas	x			
Councilwoman Sousa	x			
Councilman Fortuna	x			
Councilman Johnson	x			
X Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Defeated <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn				

The Governing Body went into Closed Executive Session at 6:55pm; and came out of Closed Executive Session at 10:41pm.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman Bernier, seconded by Councilman Fortuna, with all in favor and none opposed, the meeting was duly adjourned at 11:46 p.m.


Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk