BOROUGH OF ROSELLE MAYOR & COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP MEETING JULY 8, 2020

Acting Mayor Wilkerson called the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, Mayor and Council Workshop meeting of the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, held at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, New Jersey to order on July 8, 2020 at 6:30p.m. The flag salute was done, and the invocation was given by Councilwoman Thomas.

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 |
|------------------|--------------|--------|---------|
| Brandon Bernier | Councilman | P | |
| Cindy Thomas | Councilwoman | P | |
| Isabel Sousa | Councilwoman | P | |
| John Fortuna | Councilman | P | |
| Cynthia Johnson | Councilwoman | A | |
| Denise Wilkerson | Acting Mayor | P | |

ALSO PRESENT:

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

Acting Mayor Wilkerson opened up the public comment portion of the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

No Department Reports were given.

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CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Councilman Bernier, seconded by Councilman Fortuna, to adopt Resolution Number 2020-166 and go into Closed Executive Session.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-185

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:
 - Personnel Matters
 - Contract Negotiations
 - Litigation Matters
 - Matters Falling Within Attorney Client Privilege
- 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 Workshop meeting of said Council held July 8, 2020.

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At 7:03 p.m., the Governing Body came out of the Closed Executive Session. Councilman Bernier left the meeting after the Closed Executive Session ended.

NEW VOTING BUSINESS

Motion by Councilman Fortuna, seconded by Councilwoman Thomas to adopt Resolution Number 2020-186.

Discussion:

The was no discussion on the resolution.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-186 ACCEPTANCE OF THE RESIGNATION OF MAYOR CHRISTINE DANSEREAU

WHEREAS, Christine Dansereau was elected as Mayor of the Borough of Roselle for the term 2020 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, Christine Dansereau has submitted a letter of resignation, effective retroactively July 1, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle hereby accepts the resignation of Christine Dansereau and thank her for many years of service and dedication to the residents and staff of the Borough of Roselle. We wish her well in her health and in all her future endeavors.

I, Lydia Massey, Acting Borough 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 Workshop meeting of said Council held July 8, 2020.

| | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
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| Councilwoman Wilkerson | X | | | 770 |
| Councilman Bernier | | | | X |
| Councilwoman Thomas | x | | | |
| Councilwoman Sousa | X | | | |
| Councilman Fortuna | X | | | |
| Councilman Johnson | | | | X |

Motion by Councilman Fortuna, seconded by Councilwoman Thomas to adopt Resolution Number 2020-187.

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Discussion:

The was no discussion on the resolution.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-187 RESOLUTION APPOINTING EVERETT FALT FULL-TIME ASSISTANT BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR AT THE SALARY OF \$80,000.00

WHEREAS, there is a need in the Borough of Roselle for a full-time Assistant Borough Administrator; and

WHEREAS, Everett Falt, was interviewed and evaluated by the Borough Administrator and has proven to have the desired work experience and academic credentials to be the Assistant Borough Administrator.

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator recommends the hiring of Everett Falt as full-time Assistant Borough Administrator;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle that Everett Falt is appointed to the position of full-time Assistant Borough Administrator effective July 9, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the annual salary for Everett Falt shall be \$80,000.00, prorated for calendar year 2020; and a waiver of the Borough's residency requirement is granted; and shall be eligible for the following benefits and emoluments upon the effective date of his employment with the Borough:

- a. Any remaining of the Borough's annual fourteen (14) paid holidays, plus one (1) annual floating holiday.
- b. Vacation will be allotted as twenty (20) days and that at the end of any calendar year, only twelve (12) work days of annual vacation will be allowed to carry over.
- c. Sick leave earned at the rate of one (1) day per month during the first year of employment; in subsequent years, fifteen (15) work days of sick leave will be credited annually, in anticipation of continued employment. Sick leave days are available for use in the year earned. Sick leave days may accumulate from year to year without limit, but any unused sick leave time will be forfeited at the time of retirement or separation from Borough employment.
- d. Five (5) annual personal days are credited every calendar year, including the first year of employment. Personal days may not be utilized during the first ninety (90) days of employment.
- e. Enrollment in the Borough's medical, prescription and dental plans subject to each plan's waiting period and optical reimbursement in the amount of up to \$50.00 per calendar year for office visits and up to \$100.00 per calendar year for eyeglass or contact lenses purchase.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment of Everett Falt is subject to the satisfactory completion of a criminal background check, the initial cost of which is to be borne by the prospective appointee and will be reimbursed by the Borough so long as the check is satisfactory, and employment is continued.

I, Lydia Massey, Acting Borough 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 Workshop meeting of said Council held July 8, 2020.

| | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|------------------------|------|------|---------|--------|
| Councilwoman Wilkerson | X | | | |
| Councilman Bernier | | | | Х |
| Councilwoman Thomas | X | | | |
| Councilwoman Sousa | X | | | |
| Councilman Fortuna | X | | | |
| Councilman Johnson | | | | X |

Motion by Councilwoman Thomas, seconded by Councilwoman Sousa to adopt Resolution Number 2020-188.

Discussion:

The was no discussion on the resolution.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-188

AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-147, A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED SIGNERS FOR BANK ACCOUNTS OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.b(2) provides that checks drawn by a municipality be signed by the mayor or other chief executive officer and the municipal clerk and countersigned by such other officers as designated, and

WHEREAS, Section 10-5 of the Borough Code provides that checks shall be signed by the Mayor, Clerk and countersigned by the Borough Chief Financial Officer or Borough Administrator, and that said signatures may be affixed by signature stamp, in accordance with the provisions of said section.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, County of Union, State of New Jersey that the following individuals are so designated by the Borough as authorized signatories are Denise Wilkerson, Acting Mayor; Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk; Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer; and Jack Layne, Borough Administrator; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough of Roselle has amounts on deposit under the following bank accounts:

Current Account

Federal and State Grant Account

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Green Acres Account

Trust Account

Outside Police Trust Account

General Capital

Animal Control

Federal Special Law Enforcement Fund

Public Assistance Trust Fund #1

Escrow Disbursement

Public Defender Trust

Tax Premium

Tax Redemption Trust

Salary Deduction

Salary

Special Law Enforcement Fund

State Unemployment Insurance Trust

Public Offenders Adjudication Act

Municipal Court Bail

Municipal Court Fines

On-Line Tax Payments

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, that any two of the four following individuals are so designated by the Borough, Denise Wilkerson, Acting Mayor; Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk; Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer; and Jack Layne, Borough Administrator, for the following bank accounts:

Salary Account

Salary Deduction Account

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the undersigned shall be recognized as the designated authorized signers for the Borough of Roselle on the accounts so listed and/or identified above.

Denise Wilkerson, Acting Mayor

Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk

Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

Jack Layne, Borough Administrator

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, that the following individuals are so designated by the Borough as authorized signatories are Denise Wilkerson, Acting Mayor, Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk, Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer; Jack Layne, Borough Administrator and Michael Schnurr, Tax Collector for the following bank accounts:

Redemption Trust

Tax Premium Account

On-Line Tax Payments

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the undersigned shall be recognized as the designated authorized signers for the Borough of Roselle on the accounts so listed and/or identified above.

Denise Wilkerson, Acting Mayor

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Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer Jack Layne, Borough Administrator Michael Schnurr, Tax Collector

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, that the following individuals are so designated by the Borough as authorized signatories are Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer and Jack Layne, Borough Administrator for the following bank account:

Land use Escrow Account

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the undersigned shall be recognized as the designated authorized signers for the Borough of Roselle on the accounts so listed and/or identified above.

Anders T. Hasseler, Chief Financial Officer

Jack Layne, Borough Administrator

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, that the following individuals are so designated by the Borough as authorized signatories are Carl L. Marshall, Municipal Judge, Nicole Bailey, Court Administrator, and Joann Papa, Deputy Court Administrator for the following bank account:

Municipal Court Bail Account

Municipal Court Fines Account

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any (2) of the three undersigned shall be recognized as the designated authorized signers for the Borough of Roselle on the accounts so listed and/or identified above.

Carl L. Marshall, Municipal Court Judge

Nicole Bailey, Municipal Court Administrator

Joanne Papa, Deputy Municipal Court Administrator

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the effective date of this resolution shall be July 8, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of the resolution be forwarded to the official depository of the Borough of Roselle with signature cards reflecting the aforementioned officials.

| | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
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| Councilwoman Wilkerson | X | | | |
| Councilman Bernier | | | | X |
| Councilwoman Thomas | X | | | |
| Councilwoman Sousa | X | | | |
| Councilman Fortuna | x | | | |
| Councilman Johnson | | 2 | | X |

Motion by Councilwoman Sousa, seconded by Councilman Fortuna to adopt Resolution Number 2020-189.

Discussion:

The was no discussion on the resolution.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-189

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 provides that the budget be read by title only at the time of public hearing if providing that at least one week prior to the date of hearing a complete copy of the approved budget as advertised has been posted in the municipal Building, the local public library, and copies have been made available by the Clerk to persons requesting them; and

WHEREAS, these conditions have been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the budget shall be read by title only.

I, Lydia Massey, Acting Borough 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 Workshop meeting of said Council held July 8, 2020.

| | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
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| Councilwoman Wilkerson | X | | | |
| Councilman Bernier | | | | Х |
| Councilwoman Thomas | x | | | |
| Councilwoman Sousa | x | | | |
| Councilman Fortuna | x | | | |
| Councilman Johnson | | | | X |

Motion by Councilman Fortuna, seconded by Councilwoman Thomas to adopt Resolution Number 2020-190.

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Discussion:

The was no discussion on the resolution.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2020-190

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH ECONOMIC PROJECT SOLUTIONS, INC FOR THE BOROUGHOF ROSELLE

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1(a); and

WHEREAS, there is presently a need to procure integrated project delivery services for the Borough of Roselle to retrofit, reopen, and reoccupy the Municipal, Firehouse, and DPW buildings; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE:

- 1. That a contract is awarded to Economic Project Solutions, Inc. to provide integrated project delivery services to the Borough for a total contract amount not to exceed \$32,195.00.
- 2. The Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available within the CY 2020 Capital Budget in the amount of \$32,195.00 in Account# C-04-55-258-618-003.
- 3. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 50:30-5.5(e) the award of the contract shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds in the CY 2020 Capital budget in **account**# C-04-55-258-618-003; and
- 4. If funds are not available for the contract in the 2020 capital budget, the contract will be terminated.
- 5. That an executed copy of the Contract between the Borough and Economic Project Solutions, Inc., and a copy of this resolution shall be filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk and be available there for public inspection in accordance with law.
- 6. All previous Resolutions and/or orders and directives of Borough employees or officials, which are contrary to or inconsistent with the terms of this instant Resolution, are hereby rescinded, repealed and otherwise deemed ineffectual, to the extent of their inconsistency.
- 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

I, Lydia Massey, Acting Borough 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 Workshop meeting of said Council held July 8, 2020.

| Vote Record – Re | esolution l | Number | 2020-190 | |
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| | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
| Councilwoman Wilkerson | X | | | |
| Councilman Bernier | x | | | |

| Councilwoman Thomas | x | | | | | |
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| Councilwoman Sousa | X | | | | | |
| Councilman Fortuna | X | | | | | |
| Councilman Johnson | | | | | | Х |
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Council President Wilkerson advised the members of the governing body that they would now discuss setting the Consent agenda and non-consent agenda. Following, this she asked if there were any questions about the ordinances. There were no questions on the ordinances.

Councilman Fortuna lead the discussion on Resolution Item # 11 listed under Engineering regarding a change order as it relates to Chandler Avenue; and he asked what the change order was all about because since Chandler Avenue was paved in April.

Jackie Dirmann of Maser Engineering commented that a change order is typically done before the work is done; she advised that the change was due to police personnel assigned to that area while the work was being done, and said to alleviate this from happening in the future, they will present the plan to the Police Official and come up with an agreement of a reasonable time of allotment for police. Councilman Fortuna also remarked that if an expense occurs in 2019, it should not have been dealt with in 2020 because it was something that was not anticipated. Ms. Dirmann gave a detailed explanation of the overage, and Councilman Fortuna added that it is important that this doesn't happened again.

Council President / Acting Mayor Wilkerson asked Ms. Dirmann if she could go back and look at the numbers to make sure the change order resolution reflects the full cost since they were so far off, and Ms. Dirmann said that she would go back and research it. Ms. Wilkerson then suggested that she and her colleagues remove the change order resolution to allow Engineering to do their investigation and make sure that the \$97K is what needs to be covered. Ms. Dirmann echoed the sentiment of Mayor Wilkerson to remove the item from the July agenda to the August agenda.

Mayor Wilkerson asked if there were any other resolution items that the Council wanted to discuss and there was no further discussion. Following this, she asked the members of the governing body to made a motion for the consent agenda items.

On a motion by Councilman Fortuna, seconded by Councilwoman Sousa, that they set a Consent Agenda with Resolution Item# 2 through 20, excluding Resolution Item#11. All were in favor, none were opposed to set the Consent Agenda.

SETTING THE AGENDA FOR THE JULY 15, 2020 REGULAR MEETING

PROCLAMATIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

INTRODUCTION, CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2625-20 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 595-48 "EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS" SECTION E. "EXTERIOR APPEARANCE STANDARDS." SUBSECTION 1, "LANDSCAPING" CREATING A DUTY ON TO MAINTAIN THE PROPERTY BETWEEN THE CURB AND THE SIDEWALK [Public Hearing – July 15, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE – Ordinance 2626-20 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 595-26 "EXTERIOR APPEARANCE STANDARDS." SECTION A, "LANDSCAPING" CREATING A DUTY ON TO MAINTAIN THE PROPERTY BETWEEN THE CURB AND THE SIDEWALK [Public Hearing – July 15, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE — Ordinance 2627-20 BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROPRIATING \$3,644,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,896,576 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY [Public Hearing — July 15, 2020]

ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING – Ordinance XXXX-20 AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER 295, NOISE CONTROL [Proposed Public Hearing – August 19, 2020 Pending Approval]

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

Presentation by CFO Anders Hasseler

1. Adoption of the 2020 Municipal Budget [Pending Approval from the State]

PUBLIC COMMENTS (on Pending resolutions only)

RESOLUTIONS

| Borough A | dministrator |
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| 2. | Resolution Hiring Donald Auriema as a Part-Time Electrical Inspector in the |
| | Building Department at the Salary of \$45.00 Per Hour to Begin Work on July 16, |
| | 2020 |
| 3. | Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Municipal Clerk of the Municipality of the |
| | Borough of Roselle to Execute an Agreement with the County of Union to Modify |
| | the Cooperative Agreement Dated June 2014, as Amended July 2019 |
| Borough A | |

| 4. | Amending Resolution Number 2020-038- Resolution Appointing Antonelli Kantor |
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| | as Litigation Defense Counsel Not to Exceed \$60,000.00 |
| 5. | Amending Resolution Number 2020-100- Resolution Appointing Shain Schaffer as |
| | Special Counsel – Labor for the Borough Not to Exceed \$30,000.00 |
| 6. | Amending Resolution Number 2020-054- Resolution Appointing Florio Perrucci |
| | Steinhardt & Fader, LLC as Litigation Defense Counsel Not to Exceed \$30,000.00 |
| Clerk's C | Office |
| 7. | Acceptance of the Resignation of Keyanna Jones |
| 8. | Authorizing Renewal of A.B.C. Licenses and Authorizing the Borough Clerk to |
| | Issue Same |
| 9. | Resolution Approving A.B.C. Person-to-Person License Transfer – T&J Liquors |
| Engineer | ing |
| 10. | Resolution Authorizing Professional Planning Services in Connection with the |
| | Preparation of a Master Plan and Development Regulations Reexamination Report |
| 11. | Resolution for a Change Order Amendment to the Contract for American Asphalt |
| | & Milling Services, LLC., Regarding Additional Site Work for the Completion of |
| | the NJDOT FY 2019 Chandler Avenue Improvements Project |
| Police De | partment |
| 12. | Resolution Appointing Victor D. Conti, III to the Position of Police Lieutenant |
| 13. | Resolution Appointing Na'zeek A. Hurling to the Position of Police Sergeant |
| Purchasir | ng |
| 14. | Resolution Increasing the Minimum Bid & Quote Thresholds |
| 15. | Resolution Appointing Substitute Prosecutor for the Municipal Court - DeVito |
| 16. | Resolution Appointing Substitute Prosecutor for the Municipal Court - Montilus |
| 17. | Resolution Appointing Substitute Prosecutor for the Municipal Court - Muftau |
| 18. | Resolution Appointing Substitute Prosecutor for the Municipal Court - Nelson |
| Tax Asses | ssor |
| 19. | Resolution Authorizing Settlement of the 2016, 2017, 2018 & 2019 Tax Appeals |
| | Entitled Market Street Realty Corporation V. Borough of Roselle, Docket Nos.: |
| | 012766-2016, 011687-2017, 010896-2018, 010590-2019, Block 3701, Lot 15, |
| | Commonly Known as 613 St. George Avenue |
| Tax Colle | |
| 20. | Authorize Tax Title Lien Redemptions |
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PAYMENT OF BILLS

21. A Bill List Dated July 15, 2020 [To be Provided]

Workshop Meeting (Cont'd)

COUNCIL COMMENT

Councilwoman Sousa wished former Mayor Christine Dansereau well and thanked her for her service to the community and for being an inspiration to her. She then reminded residents to complete the 2020 Census. She wished everyone well and said God bless to everyone.

Councilwoman Thomas echoed the sentiment of Councilwoman Sousa as it relates to the 2020 Census and said there needs to be an increase in the numbers. She congratulated former Mayor Christine Dansereau on her retirement and said she is praying for her health and strength and thanked her for her service to the town. She thanked everyone who volunteered with a Care Items Give Away, which included face masks supplied by the Union County Freeholders and other items. She then thanked the Roselle Recreation Department, the Roselle Board of Health, the Office of Emergency Management and the Department of Public Works for helping her to make it a success in spite of the heavy rainstorm. All in all they gave out 200 bags the residents. She wished everyone well and said have a good evening.

Councilman Fortuna wished former Mayor Christine Dansereau the best, and said he's known her long before she was a member of the governing body. He expressed that he feels a void and a little sad that she is no longer around. He said he will miss her and wishes her the best and a happy and healthy retirement. He echoed the sentiment of his Council colleagues about them 2020 Census and encouraged people to keep the momentum going. He spoke to metal pickup calls to DPW, and said they are not ignoring calls and are working on a simple fix to it; and announced that there will be a dedicated mailbox to schedule metal pickup within the next week.

Acting Mayor Wilkerson commented that she would like to add a resolution to the Non-Consent Agenda to support the NJ Assembly by adopting a resolution in support of the Bill ACR-145 which prohibits slavery or involuntary servitude in the State of NJ including as punishment for a crime. She remarked that she is available for any questions concerning it and that Assembly sponsors will be happy to come and speak to the bill at the Regular Council meeting. The consensus of Council was to show support for the bill.

MAYORS COMMENTS

Acting Mayor Wilkerson wished former Mayor Dansereau the best in the future and in her health; She said that she learned so much from her, and thanked her for allowing her to ride her coat tail and watch the pieces of government from all aspects. She said that she was proud of Mayor Dansereau's accomplishments as she was the first female Mayor in the Borough of Roselle and she will continue to pray for her. She echoed the sentiment of her colleagues about the 2020 Census and encouraged residents to complete the census. She thanked Councilwoman Thomas for doing a great job with Cares Give away without any delays. Mayor Wilkerson expressed that she is about the spirit of completion and said there is a lot to be done to push through and complete things that are good for residents and right for the Borough.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman Fortuna, seconded by Councilwoman Thomas, all were in favor and none opposed, the meeting was duly adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Lydia D. Massey, Acting Municipal Clerk

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