

**BOROUGH OF ROSELLE  
MAYOR & COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
DECEMBER 18, 2013**

Mayor Holley called the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, Mayor and Council Regular Meeting held at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, New Jersey on December 18, 2013 to order at 7:11 P.M.

Mayor Holley then led the flag salute to the American Flag, and Council President Aubourg gave the invocation.

Roll Call:

Councilwoman Christine Dansereau; Councilwoman Kim Shaw; Councilman Randy Sandifer; Councilwoman Ronald Hayman; Councilman Roy Locke; Council President Yves Aubourg and Mayor Jamel Holley

Also Present:

John Hudak, Esq., Borough Attorney; Lydia Agbejimi, Deputy Municipal Clerk; David G. Brown, Borough Administrator; Rachel Caruso, Labor Attorney and Bryan Russell, Executive Assistant to the CFO

The Deputy Municipal Clerk, Lydia Agbejimi, read the "Open Public Meetings Act" compliance statement.

"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 2013 to the Union County Local Source and the Home News Tribune in 2012, by posting on the Borough of Roselle website, and by filing said notice in the Office of the Municipal Clerk."

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Holley read the following certificates of recognition into the record:  
Retirement of Joan Rillo

Mayor Holley read the following certificates of recognition into the record:  
In Honor of Timmy Hagan Regarding Roselle Day

Council President Aubourg read the following certificates of recognition into the record:  
50 Year Anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. Wills Paul

Mayor Holley read the following certificates of recognition into the record:  
In Memory of Augustus Sandifer

Mayor Holley read the following certificates of recognition into the record:  
In Recognition and In Memory of Nelson Mandela

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Council President Aubourg, seconded by Councilwoman Shaw to approve the minutes of the following meetings:

- Minutes of the Closed Executive Session Meeting – October 9, 2013
- Minutes of the Mayor and Council Workshop Meeting – October 30, 2013
- Minutes of the Closed Executive Session Meeting – October 30, 2013
- Minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting – November 6, 2013
- Minutes of the Mayor and Council Special Meeting – November 25, 2013

### **Roll Call:**

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Hayman, Locke, and Aubourg  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: Council Member Sandifer

### **Motion Carries:**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 2013-425 Resolution Appointing a Full-Time Chief Financial Officer
- 2013-426 Resolution Appointing A Temporary Municipal Treasurer
- 2013-427 Resolution Appointing Police Sergeant
- 2013-428 Resolution Appointing Police Captain
- 2013-429 Resolution Appointing Police Lieutenant
- 2013-430 Resolution Appointing an Emergency Management Council of the Borough of Roselle
- 2013-431 Resolution Authorizing the Release of Certain Mortgages
- 2013-432 Resolution Authorizing the Release of Certain Mortgages
- 2013-433 Approving a Settlement in the Matter of Chet Barranta, Inc. v. Borough of Roselle, et al., Docket Number UNN- C-117-11
- 2013-434 Authorizing the Execution of Right of Way Agreement Between the Borough of Roselle (“Municipality”) and Light Tower Fiber Long Island, LLC D/B/A Lighttower Fiber Networks, to Permit the Installation, Use and Maintenance of Telecommunications Facilities Within Public Rights-Of-Way for Purposes of Providing Telecommunications Services

- 2013-435 Authorizing Calendar Year 2014 Paid Holidays
- 2013-436 Approving Annual Notice of Calendar Year 2014 Workshop Sessions, Pre-Agenda Meetings and Regular Meetings
- 2013-437 Approving A Towing License - Jardim's Auto Body Corporation and Fender Works
- 2013-438 Approving A Towing License - All American Auto Body DBA George's Towing
- 2013-439 Approving A Towing License – L & J Body and Fender Works
- 2013-440 Approving a A.B.C. Person-to-Person License Transfer
- 2013-441 Resolution of the Borough of Roselle Relating to the Redevelopment of Certain Borough Property And Designating The Developer Thereof
- 2013-442 A Bill Listed Dated December 18, 2013
- 2013-443 Authorizing the Insertion of Special Items of Revenues and Appropriations in the CY 2013 Municipal Budget, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87
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- 2013-445 Resolution Authorizing Calendar year 2013 Appropriation Transfers
- 2013-446 Authorizing Agreement Between the Borough of Roselle and the County of Union for Kids Recreation Trust Grant Program
- 2013-447 Authorizing the Borough of Roselle to Submit Applications for Union County Community Development Block Grant Funding For Program Year 40 2014-2015
- 2013-448 Amending Resolution 2013-187 Grant for the Roselle Everett Hatcher Municipal Alliance Against Alcohol and Drugs Committee (Everett Hatcher Municipal Alliance)
- 2013-449 Resolution Authorizing Pediatrician Services: Roselle Board of Health For 2014
- 2013-450 Authorizing Settlement of the 2012 Tax Appeal Entitled Ekwy Wilcox, Datuo Ellis and Banigo, S. V. Borough of Roselle, Docket No.:012424-2012, Block 5902, Lot 8 Commonly Known as 105 Independence Drive
- 2013-451 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes for 2013, Block 0504, Lot 22.01, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment
- 2013-452 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes for 2011 & 2012, Block 903, Lot 3, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment
- 2013-453 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes for 2011, 2012 & 2013, Block 04102, Lot 22, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment
- 2013-454 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes for 2012, Block 6106, Lot 09, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment
- 2013-455 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes For 2012 & 2013, Block 6106, Lot 09, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment
- 2013-456 Authorizing Refund of Real Estate Taxes for 2011 & 2012, Block 1302, Lot 01, Resulting From Reduction of Tax Assessment

- 2013-457 Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes For 2013 & 2014 for Tax Exempt Deductions Authorized By a Tax Assessor of the Borough of Roselle, Block 407, Lot 08
- 2013-458 Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes For 2013 & 2014 for Tax Exempt Deductions Authorized by a Tax Assessor of the Borough of Roselle, Block 2605, Lot 01
- 2013-459 Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes For 2013 & 2014 for Tax Exempt Deductions Authorized by a Tax Assessor of the Borough of Roselle, 2605, Lot 04
- 2013-460 Authorizing a Refund of Tax Overpayment for the Year 2013 Authorized by the Tax Collector of the Borough of Roselle, Due to Overpayment of Taxes, Block 05101, Lot 06
- 2013-461 Authorizing a Refund of Tax Overpayment for the Year 2013 Authorized by the Tax Collector of the Borough of Roselle, Due to Overpayment of Taxes, Lot 7304, Lot 04
- 2013-462 Authorizing Senior Tax Deduction for the Year 2013 as Authorized by a Tax Assessor of the Borough Of Roselle, Block 6807, Lot 0004
- 2013-463 Authorizing 100% Veteran Tax Deduction for the Year 2013 & as Authorized by a Tax Assessor of the Borough of Roselle, Block 905, Lot 01
- 2013-464 Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 12-019, Block 1207, Lot 19, in the Amount of \$19,261.16
- 2013-465 Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 12-062, Block 5002, Lot 09, in the Amount of \$26,356.12
- 2013-466 Authorizing Redemption of Tax Sale Certificate 12-061, Block 5002, Lot 06, in the amount of \$40,829.73
- 2013-467 Authorizing the Reimbursement to the Roselle Track Team in the Amount of \$437.00
- 2013-468 Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Smoke Detectors, Carbon Monoxide Detectors And Batteries From Union Fire Equipment Corp. In The Amount Not To Exceed \$29,808.00
- 2013-469 Resolution Authorizing Extender Warranty For Radio Communications
- 2013-470 Resolution Authorizing the License of Borough Facilities by the Borough of Roselle
- 2013-471 Resolution Appointing a Purchasing Agent and Designating a Qualified Purchasing Agent
- 2013-472 Authorizing an Agreement Between Public Health Solutions (“PHS”) and the Borough of Roselle
- 2013-473 Authorizing Professional Engineering Services Specific to Proposed Demolition of the Building Located on Block 3302, Lot 31 within the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey
- 2013-474 Resolution of the Borough of Roselle Relating to the Redevelopment of Certain Borough Property and Designating the Developer Thereof

Motion by Councilman Locke, Seconded by Councilwoman Dansereau to remove resolution number 2013-470 from the consent agenda for consideration at the Special Meeting of December 30, 2013.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Sandifer, Hayman, Locke, and Aubourg  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None

Motion Carries

Motion by Councilman Aubourg, seconded by Councilman Locke to adopt the consent agenda.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Sandifer, Hayman, Locke, and Aubourg  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None

Motion Carries

**OATHS OF OFFICE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Deputy Municipal Clerk, Lydia D. Agbejimi administered the following Oaths of Office:

Captain James Loprete  
Lieutenant Joanne Scaturro  
Sergeant Bryan Byrnes

**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE** – Ordinance Number 2474-13

ORDINANCE GRANTING FIVE (5) YEARS OF TAX ABATEMENT TO THE OWNER(S) OF THE QUALIFIED RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE, MORE SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFIED ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP AS BLOCK 2505 LOT 9.02 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1126-1128 CHANDLER AVENUE, ROSELLE, NEW JERSEY FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING FROM AUGUST 1, 2013 IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH AND N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 ET SEQ.

(Public Hearing to be held December 18, 2013 after 7:00 p.m.)

Mayor Holley read Ordinance Number 2474-13 by Title. The public hearing notice for the above ordinance was published, copies of the ordinance posted on the Borough Hall bulletin Board and copies made available to the public.

Mayor Holley then opened the public hearing for Ordinance Number 2474-13

Seeing no one else come forward Mayor Holley closed the public hearing on this ordinance.

Motion by Councilwoman Dansereau, seconded by Councilwoman Shaw to adopt Ordinance Number 2474-13 on second reading and final passage.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Sandifer, Hayman, Locke, Aubourg

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Carries.

**ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING** – Ordinance Number 2475-13

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 30, SECTION 304 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE ENTITLED "STAFFING LEVELS"  
(Public Hearing to be held on December 30, 2013 at 12 Noon – Pending Adoption)

The Mayor read Ordinance Number 2475-13 by Title. Motion by Councilman Aubourg, seconded by Councilman Hayman that Ordinance Number 2475-13 be introduced on first reading, advertised in the official newspaper as required by law, with a public hearing to be held December 30, 2013 at Noon.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Sandifer, Hayman, Locke, Aubourg

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

Motion Carries.

**ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING** – Ordinance Number 2476-13

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 to be held on December 30, 2013 at 12 Noon – Pending Adoption)

The Mayor read Ordinance Number 2476-13 by Title. Motion by Councilman Aubourg, seconded by Councilman Hayman that Ordinance Number 2476-13 be introduced on first reading, advertised in the official newspaper as required by law, with a public hearing to be held December 30, 2013 at Noon.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Council Members Dansereau, Shaw, Sandifer, Hayman, Locke, Aubourg  
Nays: None  
Abstentions: None

Motion Carries.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1. William Frohlich, 116 East 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented on the resolution for the Anthony Amalfe Community Center, urging the Mayor and Council to review the restrictions for use of the center. He also asked about the requirements for publicizing Special Meetings. He announced that next year (2014) is the 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the State of New Jersey and the Elizabethtown Tract, which Roselle was originally a part of.
2. Maria Hegener, 920 Spruce Street, commented on the new CFO and welcomed her to the Borough of Roselle. She asked for clarification on resolutions 441, 443 and 444. She also asked for more information regarding the resolution for use of the Anthony Amalfe Community Center.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Mayor Holley greeted the public and thanked them for coming to the meeting. He stated that he was very pleased with the progress made throughout the Borough during 2013; and commended the Borough Council for working together to get it all done. He said that he wants the progress to continue in 2014.

**COUNCIL COMMENT**

Councilwoman Dansereau greeted the public and thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting. She thanked her colleagues on the Borough Council for working collaboratively with her on various committees; and she thanked the outgoing CFO, Donna Mauer and her Executive Assistant, Bryan Russell for their diligence. She welcomed new CFO, Dorothy Gallagher to the Borough; and gave an update on the status of the Westbrook Flood Project. She offered her condolences to Councilman Sandifer and his family. She also acknowledged the passing of Nelson Mandela.

Councilwoman Shaw greeted the public and thanked the Borough Administrator, Deputy Clerk and Department Heads for working on one accord and keeping the business of the Borough going. She commended the Police and Fire Departments for their selfless efforts in securing the safety of the residents of Roselle. She commented that the Westbrook Flood Project is nearing completion; and

thanked the residents of 4<sup>th</sup> Ward for being conscientious citizens. She encouraged all residents to be cognizant of their pets and where they deposit solid waste, being particularly careful to clean up fecal waste from the streets and sidewalks. She announced that the next 4<sup>th</sup> Ward Meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2014. She asked that residents remove their cars from the street when the road is snow covered to allow for the plows to clean the streets.

Councilman Sandifer greeted the public and stated that he will have a full report on Public Safety for 2013. He thanked his colleagues on the Public Safety Committee and congratulated those Police Officers who were promoted at the meeting. He thanked everyone for their kind words and condolences on the passing of his father. He wished the public a good night and a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Hayman greeted the public and thanked the constituents of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward for allowing him to serve as their councilman. He thanked the members of the Borough Council for their willingness to welcome him and help him get acclimated to the role of councilman. He recognized the Department of Public Works and the office of Code Enforcement for their accomplishments and the positive programs that they implemented during the year. He stated that he is proud of the Office of Economic Development for the Roselle First Initiative and the redevelopment projects that are coming up. He wished everyone Happy Holidays and a good night.

Councilman Locke greeted the public and stated that he will have a full report of the year's accomplishments at the 2014 Re-organization meeting. He expressed his delight at all that was done in 2013; and said that it was truly a pleasure working collaboratively with the Borough Council. He wished everyone Happy Holidays and a good night.

Councilman Aubourg greeted the public; and congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Wills Paul on their 50 year anniversary. He offered condolences to Councilman Sandifer on the passing of his father; and congratulated the Police Officers that were promoted at the meeting. He thanked the Borough Council for enabling him to perform as Council President. He thanked the Borough Administrator, Labor Attorney and staff of the Borough for all of their support. He highlighted the accomplishments of 2013, including the road projects and park renovations that were completed. He commended the Roselle First Initiative for putting Roselle residents back to work, recognized the Department of Public Works for bringing recycling back in-house and doing a great job keeping it going. He stated that the Police Department was able to hire new officers in 2013, which was a good thing. He mentioned the work of the Linden- Roselle Sewerage Authority, to which he is a liaison. He congratulated Angela Garretson, Mayor Elect and all newly elected officials of the Township of Hillside. He wished everyone Happy Holidays, peace and love.

### ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Councilman Locke, second by Councilwoman Shaw, all in favor, none opposed, by consensus the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:40 P.M.

  
Lydia Agbejimi, Deputy Municipal Clerk