

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council December 7, 2006

PRESENT: Mayor DeIorio, Councilmembers Badillo, Harms, Matarante, Zeglarski and Dinardo; Borough Attorney Bill Lane

ABSENT: Councilman Rubilla (illness)

Mayor DeIorio called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and said it is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required by law.

All contracts awarded by Mayor and Council must comply with the affirmative action requirements of P.L. 1975, C172. (NJAC 17:27).

As required by the Fire Prevention Code, he indicated the fire exits and procedure to be followed in case of fire.

CERTIFICATES/PROCLAMATIONS

Certificates

- Roselle Park High School Marching Band

Proclamations

- American Legion “Happy Hooker Fishing Club Day”

REPORT & RECOMMENDATIONS OF MAYOR

- Thanked everyone for their participation in the tree lighting ceremony and parade. He said it was a grand success on both fronts and thanked the children, teachers and other organizations as well as the Borough employees who helped make those two days eventful ones.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND OTHER MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Councilman Matarante:

- Asked Council to recognize the Pop Warner Team that participated in the finals.
- Requested a discussion regarding the DOT grant in regards to speeding. He said the grant is a “Safe Route to School” Grant sponsored by the Department of Transportation encouraging children to walk or ride their bikes to school. Mayor DeIorio said the Borough will be retaining a grant person to work on a per project basis. He said the grant company will be applying for \$250,000.00 for this particular program and it is the Borough’s hope that by hiring a professional Roselle Park will have a better chance at getting it. Mayor DeIorio stated that this evenings Resolution #176-06 endorses this program.

Councilman Badillo:

- Complimented Karen Intile and everyone who worked on the parade this past Saturday.
- Attended the Roselle Park First Aid Squad Meeting and their new Officers have been elected and will take office in January.
- He said he has received a lot of compliments from residents on E. Lincoln Avenue and Galloping Hill Road for the Police Departments effort of slowing down traffic.

Councilman Dinardo:

- Attended a Board of Health Meeting two weeks ago and they have revolved their staff. He said they are currently checking the Borough's food eateries.
- He said he had a medical emergency at his house and thanked the Police Department and the First Aid Squad who responded within 90 seconds of his call.
- Said the Borough has been placing yellow ribbons around town in support of our troops. He thanked the volunteers who helped in putting them up. Mayor DeIorio encouraged all residents to participate by displaying yellow ribbons.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

Councilman Badillo moved to accept the following reports; seconded by Councilman Harms, all members present voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

- Tax Collector's report for October, 2006
- Treasurer's Report for October, 2006

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED, PENDING ANY CORRECTIONS

Councilman Badillo moved to approve the following minutes pending any corrections; seconded by Councilman Dinardo, all members present voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

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PAYMENT OF BILLS

The following routine bills listed on a consent agenda were offered by Councilman Badillo and seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Current Fund	\$2,164,100.47
Federal State and Grants	10,405.64
Sewer Utility Operating	46,514.78
Other Trust	749.01
HUD Trust Account	809.64
Public Assistance II Fund	216.00
Total Bill List:	<u>\$2,222,795.54</u>

Mayor DeIorio announced that the Public Hearing Announcement regarding Community Development Block Grant Application Year XXXIII will be held on December 21, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. He said funds will be requested for the Westfield Avenue Safety and Streetscape Improvements as well as handicap assessable doors and applying for Senior Citizen Social Services and the Senior Citizen Handyman Program as part of the annual request for funds. Borough Engineer Ed Dec said he was requesting grant money for the reconstruction of Hazel Street and Charlotte Terrace. Mayor DeIorio said the Borough will be applying for additional grant money throughout the year.

PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES

Second Reading and Public Hearing

ORDINANCE NO. 2193

An Ordinance (#2193) entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 1184, ARTICLE II 'PROHIBITION PARKING; PROHIBITION STOPPING OR STANDING AND TIME LIMIT PARKING' OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK", was brought up and read by title only on its second reading and public hearing.

Councilman Badillo moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance #2193; seconded by Councilman Matarante and adopted.

There being no one wishing to speak, Councilman Badillo moved to close the public hearing; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved that Ordinance #2193 be adopted on second reading and advertised as prescribed by law; seconded by Councilman Harms, all members present voting Aye, said ordinance was adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2194

An Ordinance (#2194) entitled, "AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEARS 2006, 2007 AND 2008", was brought up and read by title only on its second reading and public hearing.

Councilman Badillo moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance #2194; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

There being no one wishing to speak, Councilman Badillo moved to close the public hearing; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved that Ordinance #2194 be adopted on second reading and advertised as prescribed by law; seconded by Councilman Harms, all members present voting Aye, said ordinance was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

The following routine resolutions, listed on a consent agenda were offered by Councilman Badillo and seconded by Councilman Harms, all members present voting Aye, said resolutions were adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 167-06

RESOLVED that Drew Batich, 819 Larch Street, Roselle Park, New Jersey, be and is hereby appointed as a Regular School Crossing Guard, effective immediately for a term expiring on December 31, 2006, at the rate of \$47.16 per day.

RESOLUTION NO. 168-06

RESOLVED that Lorraine Appello, 112 Roosevelt Street, Roselle Park, New Jersey, be and is hereby appointed as an Alternate School Crossing Guard, effective immediately for a term expiring on December 31, 2006, at the rate of \$47.16 per day.

RESOLUTION NO. 169-06

WHEREAS, restoring the public trust in government is an important and worthy goal; and

WHEREAS, recent weeks have brought an unprecedented wave of public corruption scandals to New Jersey including the resignation of our Attorney General, guilty pleas from a former State Senate President and two municipal councilmen, and a report from a federal monitor accusing a sitting State Senator of ethical violations; and

WHEREAS, in the past five years, more than 97 public officials in New Jersey have been indicted or pled guilty to crimes by the United States Attorney for New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it has become commonplace in New Jersey for business entities to make substantial political contributions to the election campaigns of elected officers who are ultimately responsible for awarding professional contracts; and

WHEREAS, the awarding of these contracts to campaign contributors, in a practice that has become known as "Pay to Play," creates the appearance that government is for sale and that taxpayer dollars will flow to the highest campaign contributors; and

WHEREAS, all of this has led to the taxpayers of New Jersey losing confidence in the integrity of their government; and

WHEREAS, corruption only adds to the cost of government, which in turn has a direct impact on increasing property taxes for our taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, the Republican members of the General Assembly have introduced an 11-point package of bills, "*The Assembly Republican Blueprint for a Corrupt-Free New Jersey*", designed to crack down on corruption and send a message to public officials that ethical misconduct will not be tolerated in this state; and

WHEREAS, the package of bills includes measures strongly supported by Democrat and Republican lawmakers now and in the past;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Roselle Park does urge the New Jersey Legislature to act swiftly and enact "*The Assembly Republican Blueprint for a Corrupt-Free New Jersey*", which was introduced on September 25th by the Republican members of the General Assembly as well as any other ethical reforms that will help to restore public trust and confidence in our government.

RESOLUTION NO. 170-06

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roselle Park wishes to purchase one 2006 Ford Super Duty Dump Truck with plow for the Department of Public Works from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing System 1-NJCP; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Warnock Fleet of East Hanover, New Jersey has been awarded State Contract Number A64082 for Class 3 Dump Trucks; and

WHEREAS, the actual cost of the vehicle is expected not to exceed \$46,532.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of fund for this contract under Ordinance No. 2184 (04-2150-55-21840-601) in the amount of \$46,532.00, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Warnock Fleet be awarded a contract for the purchase of one 2006 Ford Super Duty Dump Truck.

RESOLUTION NO. 171-06

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roselle Park wishes to purchase one 2007 Dodge Durango Sport Utility Vehicle for the Fire Department from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing System 1-NJCP; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and

WHEREAS, Warnock Fleet of East Hanover, New Jersey has been awarded State Contract Number A67059 for Sport Utility Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the actual cost of the vehicle is expected not to exceed \$23,456.39; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract under Ordinance No. 2183 (04-2150-55-21830-604) in the amount of \$23,456.39, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Warnock Fleet be awarded a contract for the purchase of one 2007 Dodge Durango Sport Utility Vehicle.

RESOLUTION NO. 172-06

RESOLVED that Ana E. Milanes, 334 New York Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07202 be and is hereby appointed to the position of part-time Court Clerk in the Municipal Court of the

Borough of Roselle Park, for a six month probationary period, effective December 11, 2006, at a salary of \$12.02 per hour.

RESOLUTION NO. 173-06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK
OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT
WITH THE COUNTY OF UNION TO MODIFY THE INTERLOCAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 15, 1974, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Union under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, commonly known as the Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Union under Title II of the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, commonly known as the HOME Investment Partnerships Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend an existing Interlocal Services Agreement for the County of Union and its people to benefit from this program; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Roselle Park and the County of Union, in cooperation with each other, to enter into a modification of the Interlocal Services Agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Governing Body of the Borough of Roselle Park that the agreement entitled "Agreement to Modify Interlocal Services Agreement" dated December 15, 1974, for the Purpose of Inserting a Description of Activities for the Thirty-Two Year Union County Community Development Block Grant Program, a copy of which is attached hereto, and the Fourteenth Year of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, a copy of which is also attached hereto; be executed by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk in accordance with the provisions of law;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

AN AGREEMENT TO MODIFY INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
DATED DECEMBER 15, 1974, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSE OF
INSERTING A DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST YEAR
UNION COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK PROGRAM AND THE
FOURTEENTH YEAR OF THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, this contract, the Interlocal Services Agreement, dated December 15, 1974 was entered into by various parties, including the Borough of Roselle Park; and

WHEREAS, in order to meet federal requirements there must be a binding agreement in effect; and

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Services Act requires a specific delineation of activities to be included in the Agreement, and it is necessary to amend the said Agreement to insert a description of activities for the Thirty-Two Year Union County Community Development Block Grant Program and the Fourteenth Year of the HOME Investment Partnerships Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed that the Interlocal Services Contract dated December 15, 1974 be amended by adding the following Section:

Section D-1 (Agreement as to Specific Activities)

1. Contained in the Action Plan of the 2006 Union County Consortium Consolidated Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 174-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, that Heyer, Gruel & Associates be and is hereby awarded a contract in the amount not to exceed \$5,500 for the preparation of Phase I of the Housing Element/Fair Share Plan for the Roselle Park Planning Board.

This Resolution to take effect upon certification of the Resolution by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds are available.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 180-06

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union, State of New Jersey has received funds from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the improvement of Madison Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the agreement executed between the Borough of Roselle Park and the New Jersey Department of Transportation set an original date of January 13, 2007 for the award of contract; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby requests from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, an extension of time for the award of contract on said project to June 15, 2007. The reasons for the extension are related to drainage issues outside the scope of the NJDOT award.

RESOLUTION NO. 182-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to advertise for the position of Civilian Dispatcher in the Roselle Park Police Department.

RESOLUTION NO. 183-06

WHEREAS, it shall become necessary to expend for some of the purposes specified in the Budget an excess of the respective sums appropriated, and

WHEREAS, there is an excess in one or more appropriation over and above the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purposes of such appropriations, and

WHEREAS, the transfers about to be authorized do not affect any appropriation to which or from which transfers are prohibited under the statutes, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the following transfers attached between appropriations be authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:4-58, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be filed forthwith with the Borough Chief Financial Officer.

**SEWER UTILITY
TRANSFERS TO:**

<u>ACCOUNT #:</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
07-0440-00-42032-382	GROUP INSURANCE OE	\$2,500.00

**SEWER UTILITY
TRANSFERS FROM:**

<u>ACCOUNT #:</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
07-0440-00-42032-204	MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT OE	\$2,500.00

TOTAL

\$2,500.00

CURRENT FUND
TRANSFERS TO:

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
01-0240-00-01011-114	MUNICIPAL CLERK S&W - ELECTION	\$ 50.00
01-0240-00-01012-200	MUNICIPAL CLERK OE - POSTAGE	\$ 4,000.00
01-0240-00-01012-208	MUNICIPAL CLERK OE - CONSULTING SERVICES	\$12,000.00
01-0240-00-01192-221	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - HARDWARE, CLEANING & SUPPLIES	\$ 6,000.00
01-0240-00-01192-222	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - MAINTENANCE AND ELECTRICAL	\$10,000.00
01-0240-00-01332-204	FIRE OE- MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000.00
01-0240-00-01332-214	FIRE OE - OTHER MATERIALS & SUPPLIES	\$ 3,000.00
01-0240-00-01332-232	FIRE OE - COMMUNICATION SYSTEM MAINTENANCE	\$ 1,000.00
01-0240-00-01392-215	TRAFFIC CONTROL SCHOOLS OE - PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,000.00
01-0240-00-01442-370	MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES OE - FIRE	\$ 3,000.00
01-0240-00-01442-373	MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES OE - PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 5,000.00
01-0240-00-01451-102	ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE S&W - OVERTIME	\$ 3,000.00
01-0240-00-01592-305	PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS OE - SOCCER UNIFORMS	\$ 3,000.00
01-0240-00-01642-384	HISTORICAL SOCIETY OE - RENT	\$ 3,200.00
01-0240-00-03812-210	SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM OE - MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 1,600.00
TOTAL		<u><u>\$58,850.00</u></u>

CURRENT FUND
TRANSFERS FROM:

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
01-0240-00-01011-111	MUNICIPAL CLERK S&W - PERSONAL DAYS	\$ 50.00
01-0240-00-01192-205	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - PROFESSIONAL FEES AND OUTSIDE SERVICE	\$ 1,000.00
01-0240-00-01192-224	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - MAINTENANCE PAINTING	\$ 1,000.00
01-0240-00-01192-225	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - MAINTENANCE CARPENTRY & MASONRY	\$ 1,500.00
01-0240-00-01192-226	PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS OE - BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM	\$ 1,500.00
01-0240-00-01371-101	POLICE S&W - REGULAR	\$19,500.00
01-0240-00-01371-102	POLICE S&W - OVERTIME	\$ 2,500.00
01-0240-00-01371-105	POLICE S&W - SPECIAL	\$ 1,500.00
01-0240-00-01392-239	TRAFFIC CONTROL SCHOOLS OE - UNIFORMS	\$ 1,000.00
01-0240-00-01451-101	ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE S&W REGULAR	\$ 6,000.00
01-0240-00-01452-204	ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OE - MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT	\$ 1,500.00
01-0240-00-01452-205	ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OE - PROFESSIONAL FEES AND OUTSIDE SERVICE	\$ 1,500.00
01-0240-00-01492-210	RECYCLING OE - MISCELLANEOUS	\$15,000.00
01-0240-00-01602-210	MAINTENANCE OF PARKS OE - MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 1,000.00
01-0240-00-01612-210	CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS OE - MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 1,100.00
01-0240-00-01642-210	HISTORICAL SOCIETY OE - MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 3,200.00
TOTAL		<u><u>\$58,850.00</u></u>

RESOLUTION NO. 184-06

I HEREBY MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE PAYMENT OF ONE HUNDRED SIXTY SIX AND ONE QUARTER HOURS (166.25) OF TIME WORKED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,999.50 TO JOSEPH IUNGERMAN.

RESOLUTION NO. 185-06

I HEREBY MOVE TO AUTHORIZE THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ADVERSISE FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR YEAR 2007 UNDER THE FAIR & OPEN PROCESS.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 175-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, that permission is hereby granted to extend the hours of sale, of alcoholic beverages, for Plenary Retail Distribution Licensees, on Sunday December 24th, 2006 and Sunday, December 31, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.

Roll called, Councilmembers Harms, Matarante, Zeglarski and Dinardo voting Aye; Councilman Badillo abstained. There being four affirmatives and one abstention, said resolution was adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 176-06

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has funds available through the federal-aid Safe Routes to School Program to improve enable and encourage children, including those with disabilities, to walk and bicycle to school as a more appealing transportation alternative, thereby encouraging a healthy and active lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park are in support of the Safe Routes to School Program and wish to file an application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation requesting \$104,280.00 in grant funding for a Safe Routes to School project; and

WHEREAS, an application for such funds may not be filed nor funds spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park endorse and support this application because of its safety, health and environmental benefits for our children, and it is in the best interests of the people of the Borough of Roselle Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK THAT:

1. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park hereby endorse, support and authorize the filing of a Safe Routes to School Program grant application.
2. Upon receipt of the Grant Agreement from the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the signature of the Mayor and/or any other municipal official, or their successors in said titles, which is required on the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith, is hereby approved.
3. A copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid and Economic Development so that implementation of the Safe Routes to School project may be expedited.

Borough Clerk Doreen Cali said there are areas by the grammar school, middle school and high school with no sidewalks and the children have to walk in the street to get to school. She said it was the recommendation of the Police Department to have them installed and solar signs that flash to speeding along with signs that go into the street that say school crossing, some type of traffic calming or a raised curb.

Roll called, all members present voting Aye, said resolution was adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution, seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 177-06

WHEREAS, a Union County Community Development Block Grant application in the estimated amount of \$ 300,000 has been proposed by the Borough of Roselle Park for the construction of pedestrian and vehicle safety enhancements along the traffic island, which traverses the entire center line and length of W. Westfield Avenue in this municipality, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development Grant funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Roselle Park, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

- that the Governing Body of the Borough of Roselle Park hereby confirm, endorse and authorize the filing of a Union County Community Development Block Grant application for the aforesaid project, and
- Upon receipt of the Grant Agreement from the Union County Development Office the signature of the Mayor and/or any other municipal official, or their successors in said titles, which is required on the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith, is hereby approved.
- that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Union County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

Mayor DeIorio reminded the public that the Public Hearing on the Community Development Block Grant Program will take place on December 21st at 8:00 p.m.

Roll called, all members present voting Aye, said resolution was adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 178-06

WHEREAS, there exists in the Borough of Roselle Park a need for the services of a firm specializing in the investigation, research, planning, preparation and pursuit of programs submitted to various County, State and Federal authorities for obtaining vital financial and other aid for municipal programs; and

WHEREAS, such services involve professional knowledge and services as financial advisors and public relations consultants as well as specialized knowledge of available County, State and Federal aid programs available and the numerous applications, submissions and actions necessary to obtain and successfully pursue such programs and involve such qualified services and knowledge that specifications cannot reasonably be formulated and public bidding is not feasible; and

WHEREAS, the need for such services is great and immediate and the necessary funds are available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED be the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, New Jersey, as follows:

1. For the reasons above stated, it is hereby determined that such services and programs involve such qualitative and professional services that drawing of specifications is not practical and public bidding is not appropriate or feasible. The contract for the performance of all necessary professional consultation and work involved in the study of the County, State and Federal aid funds needs of the Borough of Roselle Park, New Jersey and the related research, planning, preparation, submission and proceeding with all applications and programs for such fund finding and related aid programs is hereby awarded to Strategic Enterprise Solution, LLC, 25 Route 22 East, Suite 290, Springfield, New Jersey, 07081, without competitive or public bidding. Said Strategic Enterprise Solution, LLC. shall be paid for such services the sum not to exceed \$5,000. A copy of this Resolution shall be published within ten (10) days, according to law. No program will be applied for without Council approval.

Mayor DeIorio said the Borough will be retaining a grant company to apply for not only the grant discussed earlier but also a very strong narrative for the Westfield Avenue Pedestrian and Sidewalk Safety Streetscape Program.

Roll called, all members present voting Aye, said resolution was adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved the following resolution; seconded by Councilman Harms.

RESOLUTION NO. 179-06

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Lauren K. Biddulph, 611 Calderone Street, South Plainfield, be appointed to the position of Civilian Dispatcher in the Roselle Park Police Department, at a salary of \$26,416.87, effective December 8, 2006 for a 12 month probationary period ending December 8, 2007.

Roll called, all members present voting Aye, said resolution was adopted.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

Borough Engineer – Ed Dec

- Reconstruction of Franklin Place has been completed.
- Will coordinate with the Borough Clerk to send letters to the residents regarding the work and if there are any issues.
- Reported that he received a call late this afternoon regarding a sewer blockage at the Youth Center. He said a plumber was hired but could not go any further due to the connection at the sewer line. He said the plumber was not able to determine whether it was in or out of the building and recommended contacting someone and getting the work done immediately. Mayor DeIorio told him to contact the Purchasing Agent to make her aware of the emergency. Borough Attorney Bill Lane asked Mr. Dec to report back to him and let him know if the blockage was due to contractor error.

Councilman Harms asked that letters be sent to residents of W. Clay Avenue and Locust Street were the backyards meet. Mr. Dec said he would contact those residents. Councilman Harms asked how he was making out with the second phase of the flood zone. Mr. Dec said he was waiting for the reissuance of the new flood map before forwarding any new certificates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilman Badillo moved, at 8:30 p.m., to open the public comment portion of the meeting; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Jacob Magiera, 612 Sheridan Avenue, addressed:

- Reminded residents that it was Pearl Harbor Day and the start of the World War II.
- Said the tree lighting ceremony and the holiday parade had nice turnouts.
- Asked the Mayor to help get support from the 21st Legislative District and include a resolution to the State Assembly and State Senate regarding the yellow ribbon campaign. Mayor DeIorio said that bill was going to be introduced on Monday.

- Said there was a car accident on the corner of Sheridan and E. Lincoln Avenue and stated that the residents are upset.
- Thanked all the volunteers that assisted in displaying yellow ribbons on the trees and lamp posts throughout Roselle Park. He also thanked the Borough businesses who made donations to purchase the ribbons.

Michael Petterson, 45 E. Colfax Avenue, addressed:

- Congratulated the winners of the November 7th elections. He said it was a very close race and stated that the parties needed to work together. He pledged to work with Mayor and Council and hoped they would listen and work with him. He thanked all the residents who took the time to vote that day. He wished everyone a happy holiday season.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Councilman Badillo moved to close the public portion; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENTS – (Con't)

Councilman Harms said money has been earmarked for a generator at the First Aid Squad. He said one was installed at the Department of Public Works but he was not sure if the specs for that one would work at the First Aid Squad. Mr. Dec said they could be utilized to a great extent but there would have to be changes. Councilman Harms said he was trying to save money and asked Mr. Dec to look at the specs. Councilman Badillo asked Mr. Dec to meet with him and Karen Intile tomorrow morning to discuss the Casano Center. He asked him to get back to him with timelines for the sewers at Union Place, Grant Avenue and Clay Avenue. Councilman Matarante asked Mr. Dec to check the sewers on Walnut Street. Mr. Dec asked Councilmembers to compile a list of residents that were experiencing problems.

Borough Attorney – Bill Lane:

- Received an aggressive report from Conrail regarding the Faitoute Avenue Bridge. He said they have removed some of the ballast, plating and returned new ballast along with support and plugging of the holes underneath the structure. He said they indicated to him that they will continue this effort and will do an ultrasound of the bridge to make sure it has some structure. Councilman Harms stated they were going to waterproof the bridge as well.
- Held a second session regarding ethics and it was attended by Councilman Rubilla.
- The three subdivisions that were accomplished in October have been memorialized in resolutions. He said deeds have been prepared for purposes of review and hopefully they will be approved and signed by the Planning Board for the Mayor to sign at the next meeting.
- He said the subdivisions for Jerome and Valley are ready to go up for auction.
- He said he had a closed session matter which may involve potential litigation in regards to Roselle Park vs. Seagraves.

- Said he has an employee civilian complaint but because the person had not been riced he suggested it be discussed at the next closed session meeting. Councilman Zeglarski suggested the claim be forwarded to the Borough's insurance company.

Borough Clerk – Doreen Cali:

- Distributed a draft schedule for the 2007 Council Meetings. She requested that Council review it and let her know if they had a problem with any of the dates.
- Stated she sent a rice notice to an employee who signed the letter and that Council could discuss the subject during closed session.

Police Chief – Warren Wielgus:

- Spoke with the County regarding E. Lincoln Avenue who is attempting to get pricing and authorization to install flashing school crossing signs at E. Lincoln Avenue and Sherman Avenue. He said Officer Antonucci has installed delineators on E. Lincoln Avenue and those will slow people down going around that curve.
- He congratulated the Mayor DeIorio, Councilman Matarante and Councilman-Elect Yakubov on their election win and that he looked forward to working with them next year. He wished everyone a happy, healthy and safe holiday.

Mayor DeIorio asked if the Borough could install 4 way stop signs without County approval. Chief Wielgus said he spoke with Ms. Delarosa and the County informed her that it needed State approval and County approval. Mayor DeIorio asked to have that put in writing and Chief Wiegus said he would call the County tomorrow. Chief Wielgus said he also requested left-hand staking lanes on Galloping Hill Road and E. Lincoln Avenue. He said the Borough Clerk wrote a letter with his authorization and suggestions requesting the stalking lanes. He noted that the radar in that area was going well and that the Judge commented on the number of summonses in Court today. Mayor DeIorio requested he have that put in writing as well. Mayor DeIorio noted that Carl Pulchino, the new Code Enforcement Official, has been very vigilant with his issuance of tickets. He stated that the Governing Body will be reporting on that to the public and that Carl was doing an excellent job. Councilman Harms asked if the camera could again be installed at the tunnel in between Seaton and Clay. He asked the Chief to send a letter requesting the County to allow the Borough to do that again. He said the last time the County allowed the Borough to use their camera they were able to catch some people painting graffiti on the tunnel. Councilman Badillo asked for a discussion at the next Municipal Services Committee Meeting to discuss an ordinance regulating graffiti. Councilman Harms suggested having the Borough Clerk check with other municipalities and get copies of their ordinances regulating graffiti. He said Council could review them for consideration at the committee meeting. Councilman Harms said there is a blue box on the corner of W. Colfax Avenue and Faitoute Avenue which regulates the traffic light. He asked Chief Wielgus to ask the County if they would paint the box green. Councilman Harms asked the Borough Clerk to send a letter to the County Engineer asking them to check on a sinking culvert at 157-159 W. Lincoln Avenue.

Superintendent of Public Works – Frank Wirzbicki:

- Leaves are being removed from the yard and Elite Tree Service has completed removals and trims for the year.
- He said leaves will continue to be picked up until the end of December.

Councilman Matarante thanked him for quickly repairing the pothole on Woodland Avenue. Borough Clerk Doreen Cali thanked Frank for helping with all the Christmas decorations. Councilman Badillo reminded residents that they cannot cut or trim Borough trees and must contact the DPW who will do it.

Mayor DeIorio read the Closed Session resolution and said Council would be discussing the following matters:

- Pending Contract Negotiations with various unions and potential employee
- Litigation – Roselle Park vs. Seagraves
- Personnel Issue – Regarding Joe Iungerman and compensatory time

INTERRUPT THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman Harms moved to resume the regular order of business; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

RESUME THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman Badillo moved to resume the regular order of business; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Mayor DeIorio said during Closed Session Council discussed matters pertaining to:

- Pending Contract Negotiations with various unions and potential employees
- Litigation – Roselle Park vs. Seagraves
- Personnel Issue – Regarding Joe Iungerman and compensatory time

MOTIONS

Councilman Harms moved to authorize payment of time worked to Joe Iungerman; seconded by Councilman Badillo, all members present voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

Councilman Badillo moved to authorize the Borough Clerk to advertise for professional services for Year 2007 under the Fair & Open Process; seconded by Councilman Dinardo and adopted.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Councilman Badillo moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Harms and adopted.

Attest:

Borough Clerk