

## Borough of Roselle Park Meeting of November 21, 2013

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Yakubov	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Modesto Miranda	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Carl Hokanson	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Tanya Torres	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilwoman	P	7:00 PM
Andrew Casais	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Charlene Storey	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilwoman	P	7:00 PM
Joseph Accardi	Borough of Roselle Park	Mayor	P	7:00 PM

Mayor Accardi called the meeting to order at 7:00 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, C.172. (NJAC 17:27).

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

Mayor Accardi welcomed Council-Elect Elmarassy and Council-Elect Kelly to the dais.

Borough Clerk Cali read a short prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MAYOR

- Attended the League of Municipalities Convention in Atlantic City.
- It was a good opportunity to get vital information.
- The struggles that other communities experienced from Hurricane Sandy were discussed.
- Spoke about the concerns at the polling places at the recent election; voters cannot be blocked from going to polling places.

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND OTHER MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

#### Councilman Yakubov

- Attended the League of Municipalities Convention in Atlantic City.
- There were many vendors at the Convention.
- It was a good place to showcase Roselle Park.
- Thanked Building and Grounds and the DPW for their work on the Historical Society sign.
- Will schedule a Community Watch Meeting sometime in January.

### Councilman Hokanson

- Commended all for their work on Hurricane Sandy.
- November 14<sup>th</sup> attended the Board of Health Meeting.
- November 16<sup>th</sup> attended the Concert at the Casano Center.
- Wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

### Councilman Casais

- The progress on East Grant Avenue is going well.
- Has received many compliments.
- The Bond Sale that was held exceeded their expectations.

### Councilwoman Storey

- Great progress has been made on East Grant Avenue.
- Everyone is happy to see the improvements.
- Wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

### Councilwoman Torres

- Welcomed Tyler Loneker as a member of the Roselle Park Fire Patrol.
- Congratulated the Roselle Park High School Football Team.
- Wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

### Councilman Miranda

- Reminded everyone living on County roads that leaves must be bagged.

### Karen Intile – Administrative Assistant

- Thanksgiving baskets are being made and will be delivered; thanked everyone that donated food.
- The Tree Lighting will be on Friday at 6:30 p.m.
- The Center will be open afterwards.
- Invited all to attend the Art Gallery at the Center.
- Cornell Hall donated food for after the Tree Lighting.

### Richard Huxford – Borough Attorney

- Has three matters for Closed Session.

### Doreen Cali – Borough Clerk

- Is resubmitting the CBGB grant.

- Spoke about issues regarding the election.
- Spoke to the Police Chief and the CFO and the increase for the Police will be about \$8,000 per election.
- The DPW will put out the barricades.

Ken Blum – Chief Financial Officer

- On November 14<sup>th</sup>, there was a Bond Sale.
- There were four bids and they were quite pleased with the results.
- The amount for a house assessed at \$65,000 went from \$61.12 to \$57.07.
- Resolution #237-13 which is a Change Order for Ashbritt, Inc. is on the agenda.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

Councilman Miranda moved to approve the following reports; seconded by Councilman Casais, all members present voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

- Administrative Assistant Report for October 13, 2013 through November 11, 2013
- Treasurer Report for October 31, 2013

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilman Miranda moved at 7:30 p.m. to open the public comment portion of the meeting; seconded by Councilman Yakubov and adopted.

Jennifer Jaskula, 311 East Lincoln Avenue

- Tree Lighting on December 6<sup>th</sup> creates a conflict for the game and should be changed.

Jeannie Goodis, 152 Berwyn Street

- As a community, a Sunday night would be a good night for the Tree Lighting.
- Cheerleaders that would be singing are leaving for competition.
- If it is that weekend it will be very difficult.

Saul Qersdyn, 150 Berwyn Street

- Sunday would be a great day for the Tree Lighting.
- Asked if Ashbritt is a no bid contract.
- Lessons should be learned from Hurricane Sandy.

Jacob Magiera, 612 Sheridan Avenue

- The Tree Lighting should be changed.
- Update Senior Housing.

- What happens if the deal does not go through.
- Have tax maps been approved.
- Update on revaluation.
- Spoke about the Mayor's brochure; will the Council have an opportunity to see it.
- Spoke about the Concert that was held at the Center.

There being no one else wishing to speak, Councilman Miranda moved at 8:00 p.m. to close the public portion; seconded by Councilman Casais and adopted.

MOTION BILLS & PAYROLLS BE NOT READ  
MOTION BILLS & PAYROLLS BE PASSED FOR PAYMENT

Councilman Miranda moved that bills and payrolls be not read and passed for payment; seconded by Councilman Yakubov, all members present voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions listed on consent agenda, were offered by Councilman Miranda; seconded by Councilman Casais.

RESOLUTION NO. 232-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that the Tax Collector hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$785.81 payable to US Bank TMSG/Cust Pro Capital for redemption of TSC #12-040 on Block 903/Lot 24 (otherwise known as 160 Grant Ave E., Roselle Park, N.J.) and assessed in the name of Jody Driti; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to issue a checks totaling \$300.00 from the Tax Collectors Premium Account.

RESOLUTION NO. 233-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that the donation of the following two vehicles from the County of Union for the Roselle Park Police Department and Roselle Park Fire Department to replace two vehicles be and is hereby accepted.

- 2005 Ford Crown Victoria VIN #2FAFP71WX5X125653 (Police)
- 2006 Dodge Durango VIN #1DEHB38P26F186018 (Fire)

RESOLUTION NO. 234-13

WHEREAS, N.J.S.40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for equal amount, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2013 in the sum of \$34,052.99 which item is now available as a revenue from the Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grant pursuant to the provisions of statute, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$34,052.99 is hereby appropriated under the caption of the Drunk Driving Enforcement Fund Grant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk forward two certified copies of this resolution with enclosures to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION NO. 235-13

WHEREAS, there exists various outstanding checks of the Borough of Roselle Park's Municipal Court Fine Account; and

WHEREAS, these checks were issued in 2011 and 2012; and

WHEREAS, sound procedures recommended review and cancellation of checks outstanding over a year old;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following outstanding checks are hereby canceled:

**Municipal Court Fine Account**

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHECK #</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
3/1/2011	4095	\$ 1.00
3/1/2011	4096	\$ 3.00
5/1/2011	4113	\$ 1.00
5/1/2011	4116	\$ 1.00
5/1/2011	4117	\$ 1.00
7/1/2011	4131	\$ 2.00
7/1/2011	4132	\$ 2.00
7/1/2011	4148	\$ 2.00
11/1/2011	4166	\$ 4.00
12/1/2011	4172	\$ 1.00
12/1/2011	4191	\$ 67.00
5/1/2012	4220	\$ 1.00
6/1/2012	4227	\$ 1.00
8/6/2012	4240	\$ 1.00
8/6/2012	4243	\$ 1.00
9/21/2012	4252	\$ 10.00
10/19/2012	4260	\$ 1.00
10/19/2012	4261	\$ 1.00
TOTAL		<u>\$ 101.00</u>

RESOLUTION NO. 236-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Resolution No. 16-13, appointing Philip J. Morin, Esquire of the firm Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt & Fader, LLC to represent the Borough of Roselle Park in Tax Appeals for the year 2013, be and is hereby amended in the amount of an additional \$5,000.00 for a maximum amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 237-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Resolution No. 38-13, awarding a contract to Ashbritt, Inc. for Hurricane Sandy stump removal, tree reduction and debris removal, be and is hereby amended in the amount of an additional \$31,611.51 for a maximum amount not to exceed \$91,611.51.

RESOLUTION NO. 238-13

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, in the County of Union, hereby authorize the Mayor and/or Clerk to execute the lease renewal for the Roselle Park Historical Society for the year 2014.

RESOLUTION NO. 239-13

WHEREAS, the Borough of Roselle Park has grants that are complete or expired; and  
WHEREAS, the Borough of Roselle Park has determined that the grant receivable and reserve balances must be canceled;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Roselle Park as follows:

1. That the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby directed to take all necessary steps to cancel the following grant receivable balances.

<u>GRANT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 2,656.43
Total Federal and State Grant Fund	\$ 2,656.43
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grant	\$ 135,743.12
Total General Capital Fund	\$ 135,743.12
Senior Citizens Handyman Program CDBG # 012-443	\$ 225.16
Total HUD Trust Fund	\$ 225.16
Grand Total	\$ 138,624.71

2. That the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby directed to take all necessary steps to cancel the following grant reserve balances.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>GRANT NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
02-3372-00-20120-001	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 19.41
02-3372-00-20120-004	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 78.13
02-3372-00-20120-006	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 1,010.37
02-3372-00-20120-007	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 1,141.99
02-3372-00-20120-009	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 400.00
02-3372-00-20120-010	Municipal Alliance Fund Grant	\$ 0.53
Total Federal and State Grant Fund		\$ 2,650.43
04-2150-55-23370-130	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grant	\$ 135,743.12
Total General Capital Fund		\$ 135,743.12
14-2443-00-02012-101	Senior Citizens Handyman Program CDBG # 012-443	\$ 210.16
14-2443-00-02012-102	Senior Citizens Handyman Program CDBG # 012-443	\$ 15.00
Total HUD Trust Fund		\$ 225.16
Grand Total		\$ 138,618.71

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Vote Record – Resolutions #232-13 to #239-13</b>					
		<b>Yes/Aye</b>	<b>No/Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted	Yakubov	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted as Amended	Miranda	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	Hokanson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Tabled	Torres	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	Casais	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Storey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Accardi	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Mayor Accardi appointed Tyler Brady Loneker as a member of the Roselle Park Fire Patrol effective immediately, to be assigned to Central Firehouse #2.

INTERRUPT THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman Miranda moved at 8:06 p.m. to interrupt the regular order of business for a Closed Session Meeting; seconded by Councilman Casais and adopted.

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

- Litigation – Marquez vs. Roselle Park
- Litigation – Stender vs. Roselle Park
- Litigation – Equipment Rental vs. Roselle Park

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilman Miranda moved to resume the regular order of business; seconded by Councilwoman Storey and adopted.

Mayor Accardi said that during Closed Session, Council discussed the following matters:

- Litigation – Marquez vs. Roselle Park
- Litigation – Stender vs. Roselle Park
- Litigation – Equipment Rental vs. Roselle Park

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

Attest:

Borough Clerk