

Borough of Roselle Park Meeting of September 17, 2015

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Charlene Storey	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilwoman	P	7:00 PM
Ryan Kelly	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Gino Elmarassy	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	A	--
Eugene Meola	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Joseph Petrosky	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Richard Templeton	Borough of Roselle Park	Councilman	P	7:00 PM
Carl Hokanson	Borough of Roselle Park	Mayor	P	7:00 PM

Mayor Hokanson 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.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

Councilwoman Storey moved the following communication; seconded by Councilman Petrosky, all members voting Aye, said motion was adopted.

- Request from the residents of 222 East Lincoln Avenue to hold a Block Party on the corner of East Lincoln Avenue and Hemlock Street on Saturday, September 26, 2015 from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, September 27, 2015.

PRESENTATION BY PUBLIC STUFF

- Lauren Libby gave a visual presentation of the mobile app Public Stuff.
- It is built for local government.
- Many people now interact with mobile devices.
- It is a very easy application to use.
- There is a lot of information available to residents.
- Spoke about the fees and how the services work.
- Reviewed some of the aspects of the software.
- Work with large and small cities.
- Requests can be tracked by importance.
- Service requests can also be submitted.
- Focus on specific areas for different departments.
- Reports can be saved and sent to other licensed users.

Councilman Kelly asked about training.

Ms. Libby said there will be a dedicated Account Manager and training.

Councilman Templeton asked if the Borough has to supply the server or the database.

Ms. Libby said they have their own server.

Councilman Kelly asked about insurance liability.

Mayor Hokanson asked about the cost factor.

Ms. Libby said it is \$5,000 a year, which can also be broken down monthly. It includes setup, reports and other costs.

CERTIFICATES/PROCLAMATIONS

- Italian Independence Day Recognition
- POW/MIA Remembrance Day
- Mesothelioma Awareness Day

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND OTHER MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES

Councilman Templeton

- September 6th attended the Grand Opening of Football Frenzy and Express Café.
- September 11th attended the 9/11 Service at Kelly/Kaulfers Park.
- Congratulated the Roselle Park High School Football team.
- September 12th attended the 2015 Fall Soccer Kickoff.
- September 12th attended the Grand Opening of Dowling's Pub and Restaurant.
- September 13th attended the First Wedding Expo at the Casano Center.
- Has been walking his Ward and discussing various issues with residents.

Councilwoman Storey

- The Public Workshop for the Federal study program on the impact of airport noise in the surrounding areas was held on October 14th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Newark Marriott.
- Attended the Wedding Expo on September 13th at the Casano Center.

Councilman Meola

- Attended the Friends of the Library Meeting.
- Attended the September 11th Memorial at Kelly/Kaulfers Park.
- September 12th attended the Grand Opening of Dowling's Pub.
- September 13th was National Grandparent's Day.
- Spoke about Dancer's Pointe on East Westfield Avenue.
- September 21st will be the Municipal Land Use Board Meeting; urged residents to attend.

Councilman Petrosky

- Offered his condolences to the Lapola, Tenore, Zaleski and Oliver families.
- September 6th attended the ribbon cutting of Football Frenzy and Express Café.

- September 9th met with the Recreation Committee.
- September 11th attended the 9/11 Ceremony.
- Attended the Roselle Park High School Football Game.
- September 12th attended the Soccer opening.

Councilman Kelly

- Thanked Lauren from Public Stuff for her presentation.
- It will be a good program for the Borough.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF MAYOR

- Appreciated all Councilmembers that were able to attend the Grand Openings of businesses.
- Thanked Maryann Baumbach for running the 9/11 Ceremony.
- September 12th attended the Opening Day of Soccer.
- September 12th also attended the Grand Opening of Dowling's Pub.
- Thanked Rupen Shah and Councilwoman Storey for their work on the Wedding Expo.
- September 14th attended the all Roselle Park Class Reunion in Toms River.
- September 15th attended the Board of Health Meeting.
- September 16th attended the Library Board Meeting.
- September 19th will be Roselle Park Loves Arts.
- September 19th will also be the first Car Show from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- September 26th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Kevin Murphy and he will be hosting Operation Chillout for homeless vets at the First Aid Squad Building.
- September 27th will be Polish Day at the Casano Center.
- September 28th will hold his annual "Meet and Greet" at Costa's Restaurant from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Discussed the Trap, Neuter and Release program.
- Has been receiving numerous calls regarding feral cats.
- Feeding cats is against the law.
- Is asking for donations for neutering.
- If residents would like a tree planted on their property, call their Councilperson or contact the DPW.
- There are 700 plus sewer bills that have not been paid; they are based on water consumption.
- At the beginning of the year, would like to start again with the Business of the Month.
- Wished Ken Blum a speedy recovery.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND OTHER MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMITTEES (Continued)

Tom Solfaro – Borough Engineer

- There are significant agenda items this evening pertaining to streets in the Borough.
- Had pre-construction meetings for Chestnut Street, Seaton Avenue and the Crosswalks.
- Have two more scheduled for Colfax Avenue.
- Preparing a report for work that will be done on West Westfield Avenue.

Richard Huxford – Borough Attorney

- There were two items discussed at the last meeting in Closed Session:
 - D’Agostino vs. Roselle Park – unresolved.
 - James White vs. Roselle Park – unresolved.
- Has two matters for Closed Session this evening.

Rupen Shah – Administrative Assistant

- Reported on the activities at the Casano Center.
- Thanked the Farmer’s Market for their donations.
- Festival of India will be held on October 10th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Carl Pluchino Self Defense will no longer be renting the Casano Center.

REPORTS OF DEPARTMENTS

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

- Municipal Court Report for August 2015

PUBLIC COMMENT

Councilwoman Storey moved to open the public comment portion of the meeting; seconded by Councilman Petrosky and adopted.

Leona Seufert, 320 Second Avenue, Apt. 210, Garwood

- There will be an Art Exhibit at the Casano Center from October 5th through October 30th.

Pam Reinoso, 335 Pershing Avenue

- There will be an Arts Festival on Chestnut Street on September 19th from 2:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
- Reported on the numerous activities taking place that day.
- The purpose is to have the community unite together as one.
- Thanked Mayor Hokanson and Councilwoman Storey for all of their help.

Joe DeIorio, 824 Larch Street

- Commended Leona Seufert for her work as Poet Laureate in the Borough.
- Today is Constitution Day.
- Requested a copy of the August 20th Council Meeting, but was told it was corrupted during the recording.
- Spoke about Election Day.

Awilda Feliciano, 264 West Clay Avenue

- She was the person mentioned in the letter that was written.

- Why would someone make the accusations that were made without talking to her first.

Jacob Magiera, 612 Sheridan Avenue

- Roselle Park has talent.
- Update on TV34.
- Explain Resolution #229-15 and eminent domain.
- Explain Resolution #239-15.
- Explain the Resolution on the agenda tonight for \$50,000.
- Asked about the crosswalk restoration on Chestnut Street.

Keith Heyman, 65-A Woodside Gardens

- Spoke about the benches that have been moved.
- Spoke about the bench in front of the Dollar Store and how some of them need repair.
- The water company needs to pave Camden Street.

Thos Shipley, 824 Larch Street

- Spoke about the possibility of taping the meetings on TV34 sending them to u tube or streaming them.

Saul Qersdyn, 150 Berwyn Street

- Spoke about Operation Chillout.
- Spoke about peddlers licenses and who is responsible to issue them.
- Asked for an update on the flag poles and lighting.

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

MINUTES TO BE APPROVED, PENDING ANY CORRECTIONS

Councilwoman Storey moved to approve the following minutes; seconded by Councilman Petrosky.

- Regular Meeting of September 3, 2015

<input type="checkbox"/> Vote Record – Minutes of September 3, 2015					
		Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adopted	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted as Amended	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tabled	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawn	<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"/>
	Kelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Elmarassy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Meola	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Petrosky	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Templeton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hokanson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MOTION BILLS & PAYROLLS BE NOT READ

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

The following resolution was offered by Councilwoman Storey; seconded by Councilman Meola.

RESOLUTION NO. 259-15

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park hereby authorizes the Roselle Park Fire Department to cease running the siren at the Central Fire Station.

<input type="checkbox"/> Vote Record – Resolution #259-15		Yes/Aye	No/Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted as Amended	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defeated	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tabled	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawn	<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"/>
	Kelly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Elmarassy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Meola	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Petrosky	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Templeton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Hokanson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions listed on Consent Agenda were offered by Councilwoman Storey; seconded by Councilman Petrosky.

RESOLUTION NO. 251-15

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that effective immediately, the fees charged to an individual requesting off-duty police services from the Roselle Park Police Department are fixed as follows:

1. Except as indicated below, the hourly rate charged for off-duty police services will be \$60.00 for the first eight (8) hours (with a four hour minimum call out time, eight hour minimum for call out time exceeding four hours). After eight (8) hours, the hourly fee will be increased to time and a half or \$90.00. In addition to the above fees, the Borough of Roselle Park will charge ten percent (10%) to cover administration expenses. All requests that give less than eight hours advanced notice shall be charged the hourly fee of time and a half or \$90.00.
2. In addition to the above fees charged, if a police vehicle is required by the requesting individual, a fee of \$15.00 per hour will be charged for said use.
3. For all Borough or Board of Education events, the hourly fee charged will be \$40.00 per hour, with a minimum three (3) hour call out time.
4. For Borough or non-utility projects, the hourly rate charged for off-duty police services will be \$60.00 for the first eight (8) hours (with a four hour minimum call out time). After eight (8) hours, the hourly fee will be increased to time and a half or \$90.00. In addition to the above fees, the Borough of Roselle Park will charge ten percent (10%) to cover administration expenses. All requests that give less than eight hours advanced notice shall be charged the hourly fee of time and a half or \$90.00.
5. For Civic, Religious or educational organization, the hourly fee charged will be between \$40.00 to \$60.00 per hour. The fee will be established by the PBA in writing forwarded to the Mayor and Council and the Chief Financial Officer. In addition to the above fees, the Borough of Roselle Park will charge ten percent (10%) to cover administration expenses. In addition to the above fees charged, if a police vehicle is required by the requesting individual, a fee of \$15.00 per hour will be charged for said use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, the above fees herein said shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until revised by a future Resolution of the Mayor and Council.

RESOLUTION NO. 252-15

WHEREAS, all Plenary Retail Consumption, Retail Distribution, Limited Distribution and Club Licenses will expire on June 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the following applicants have complied with the provisions of the Act of the Legislature entitled, "An Act Concerning Alcoholic Beverages", being Chapter 436 of the Laws of 1933, its supplements and amendments, and with the Rules and Regulations issued or to be promulgated by the State Commissioner of Alcoholic Beverage Control applicable, thereto, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue licenses to expire June 30, 2016, to the following as approved by the License Committee:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES - \$1,385.00

2015-33-008-004 LaCatena Restaurant, Inc., 386 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park

CLUB LICENSES - \$132.00

2015-31-017-001 American Legion Post 60, Inc., 34 East Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park

2015-31-018-001 West End Community Center, 205 West Clay Avenue, Roselle Park

RESOLUTION NO. 253-15

WHEREAS, the following applicant has complied with the provisions of the Act of the Legislature entitled, "An Act Concerning Alcoholic Beverages", being Chapter 436 of the Laws of 1933, its supplements and amendments, and with the Rules and Regulations issued or to be promulgated by the State Commissioner of Alcoholic Beverage Control applicable, thereto, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to renew Inactive Plenary Retail Consumption license number 2015-44-001-007, R and K Corp., 55 West Colfax Avenue, Roselle Park, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39, Special Ruling to permit renewal of inactive license for the 2015-2016 License Term.

RESOLUTION NO. 254-15

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park hereby accept the resignation of Leona Seufert from the position of Poet Laureate and as a member of the Ad Hoc Arts Council, effective immediately.

RESOLUTION NO. 255-15

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that the Tax Collector hereby authorizes the Treasurer to reduce sewer charges on the following property per New Jersey American Water.

<u>BLOCK/LOT</u>	<u>OWNER/ADDRESS</u>	<u>ORIGINAL BILL</u>	<u>REDUCTION</u>	<u>ADJUSTED BILL</u>
606/28 T001	CHW Realty 111 W. Westfield Ave.	\$1,731.00	\$1,416.00	\$315.00

RESOLUTION NO. 256-15

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that the Tax Collector hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue checks totaling \$3,158.39 payable to multiple lien holders for redemption of two (2) Tax Sales Certificates (paperwork available in the Tax Office); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to issue premium checks from the Tax Collector's Premium Account totaling \$2,700.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 257-15

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park that Barbara Goss, 415 Bender Avenue is hereby appointed as a member of the Board of Health to fill the unexpired term of Janet Landis expiring on December 31, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 258-15

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle Park, Union County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the Borough Engineer, Michael J. Neglia, that the Contract for:

ROSELLE PARK MISCELLANEOUS CONCRETE REPAIRS
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Be awarded to Cifelli & Son General Contracting Inc., Nutley, NJ for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$50,000.00). This Resolution to take effect upon certification on this Resolution by the Borough Treasurer that sufficient funds are available.

<input type="checkbox"/> Vote Record – Resolutions #251-15 to #258-15					
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Borough Clerk Cali addressed the question regarding having Police Officers at the polling places on Election Day. In the past, there have been violations where people have been asked to stop and didn't; so it was necessary to call in a Police Officer. She does not anticipate this happening this year; but if it does, she will do what she has to do to protect the peoples' right to vote.

INTERRUPT THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilwoman Storey moved at 9:02 p.m. to interrupt the regular order of business for a Closed Session Meeting; seconded by Councilman Petrosky and adopted.

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

- Ongoing Litigation – D'Agostino vs. Roselle Park
- Ongoing Litigation – James White vs. Roselle Park

RESUME REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Councilwoman Storey moved at 9:09 p.m. to resume the regular order of business; seconded by Councilman Petrosky and adopted.

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

- Ongoing Litigation – D’Agostino vs. Roselle Park
- Ongoing Litigation – James White vs. Roselle Park

There being no further business to come before the meeting, Councilwoman Storey moved at 9:10 p.m. to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Petrosky and adopted.

Attest:

Borough Clerk