

The workshop meeting of the Borough of Riverdale Mayor and Council opened on the above date at 7:30p.m.

Mayor William Budesheim presiding.

**ROLL CALL: Present: Astarita, Carelli, Guis, Revis, Wetzel  
Absent: Mastrangelo**

Mayor Budesheim announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place and agenda.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 1:**

Denise Graf, 71 Riverview Terrace, and Kim Soto were opposed to the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders being cut from the summer recreation program. Councilwoman Wetzel explained that the decision was based on the lack of daily participation and expected low enrollment. She suggested they come to the next recreation meeting to discuss their concerns.

There being no further comments, Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to close the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**ORDINANCES:**

Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE 01-2014**

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY AND FOR THE PREPARATION OF SAID PROPERTY FOR PUBLIC USE IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,700,000 THEREFORE, INCLUDING A \$325,000 GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PURSUANT TO THE GREEN ACRES PROGRAM AND A \$870,375 GRANT EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE COUNTY OF MORRIS FLOOD MITIGATION COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,700,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF**

The Municipal Clerk read the notice for the second reading and final adoption.

Mayor Budesheim announced that this Ordinance was open for public participation.

There being no comments, Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Wetzel to close the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 01-2014 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Guis, Revis, Wetzel  
Nays: None  
(5 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 16-A****RESOLUTIONS:**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Guis, to approve the following resolutions:

- 1) Payment of Claims. (including the following)
  - a. RFM Printing                      Newsletter – A&E o/e                      \$935.85
  - b. Postmaster                      Postage – A&E o/e                      \$336.91
- 2) **Resolution No. 24-2014;** Authorizing solicitation of bids for a license to store equipment on municipal property – 87 Newark Pompton Turnpike.
- 3) Approval of a new lease agreement with Pitney Bowes for postage meter at a quarterly rate of \$245.85 (rate was erroneously placed on the 01/20 agenda as a monthly payment amount. (As clerk I would request the council consider the agreement due to the postal meter's efficiency compared to the other postal system mentioned at our previous meeting.) (The previous quarterly rate was \$333.00; this will represent a savings with the new lease.)
- 4) **Resolution No. 25-2014;** Professional Agreement Barbarula & Associates for Planning Board Legal Services.
- 5) **Resolution No. 26-2014;** Transfer of 2013 Appropriation Reserves.
- 6) Approval of hiring Donovan Horwath as a Riverdale DPW Employee effective February 16, 2014 at a salary of \$13.55 per hour.
- 7) Authorizing Connie Andersen to extend her hours from four to five hours per day for a total of 25 hours per week at her current salary of \$12.00 per hour.

**ROLL CALL:**            **Ayes:    Astarita, Carelli, Guis, Revis, Wetzel**  
                                  **Nays:    None**  
                                  **(5 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 16-B, C, D AND E****UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 1) Purchase of DOT Property located at the Magnus Tract from the DOT for an amount of \$15,000 to \$16,000 – discussed at the October 7<sup>th</sup> workshop meeting.
- 2) Adoption of Wanaque Borough's fee schedule by ordinance per the Department of Community Affairs notice that this is required for all Shared Services Agreements per Uniform Construction Code Statute #5:23-4.17e. (email sent to governing body and borough attorney regarding this on January 23, 2014 explaining the telephone call the clerk received from the DCA)

No discussion took place.

**MAYOR REPORT:**

- 1) Ordinance to amend the sewer rates. (copy of Ordinance distributed to governing body with agenda)

Mayor Budesheim reported that there were some issues with the sewer rates and he has a request from a resident whose sewer bill for this quarter was \$1,590.00 because he isn't getting a flat rate any longer. He has a sprinkler system and it most likely has a leak. We had about 32 residents that had this occur but his was the highest. I have proposed amendments to the ordinance to reinstate the flat residential rate. Council discussed the matter and decided to move on this at the next meeting and revisit the water billing data in a few months.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:**

Borough Clerk Talerico reported that we have two \$100 change funds from the Water Clerk and Tax Collector and we need to change one over to the front office. There will also be a resolution on the next agenda to change the office petty cash fund custodian to Linda Forbes effective April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No Report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Councilman Carelli reported that he was been preparing spread sheets for the budget. There will be more to report at the next meeting. We got some pricing for computers for the office. It is about \$15,000 and the equipment is under state contract with Dell. There will be an installation charge from a consultant which I estimate to be \$2,500. We're also converting the email system to Microsoft Cloud.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Mayor Budesheim reported that Councilman Mastrangelo is sick. He met with the Police Chief and I sent the information to everyone about some minor changes to the ordinance which we'd like to have ready for introduction at the next meeting.

Pat Cleary requested a cost of living increase to \$1,500 per qualified member of the Fire Department for the LOSAP payment. Council discussed the matter. Pat Cleary will provide the number of members for budgeting purposes.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** No Report

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** No Report

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** No Report

**PERSONNEL:** No Report

**CLOSED SESSION – LITIGATION**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Wetzel, RESOLVED that the Council go into closed session to discuss a matter of litigation.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Closed session being completed, the meeting returns to public session.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Astarita, Carelli, Guis, Revis, Wetzel  
Absent: Mastrangelo

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 2:**

There being no comments, Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Wetzel, to close the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Wetzel, to adjourn the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Carol J. Talerico, R.M.C.  
Municipal Clerk