

The regular meeting of the Borough of Riverdale Mayor and Council opened on the above date at 7:30 p.m. with the roll call followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Budesheim presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo

Absent: None

Also present: Fire Chief Sturm and Police Chief Smith

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED:

Closed Session - February 25, 2015

Workshop Meeting - March 11, 2015

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to approve the above listed minutes as read.

ALL IN FAVOR

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 1:

Steve Losner, 61 Cottage Place, asked about the Mayors restitution to the Borough.

Police Chief Kevin Smith, asked who interested parties for renting the baseball fields would need to contact.

Kim Soto, 23 Hasley Ave, expressed her concern for the increase in price for class participation at the community center.

There being no further comments, Councilperson Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, that the public portion be closed.

ALL IN FAVOR

ORDINANCES:

1. Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

ORDINANCE 03-2015

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 164 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND REVISING THE FEES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICE

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo

Nays: None

(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)

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2. Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

ORDINANCE 04-2015

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND PROVIDING FOR FEES FOR USE OF FIELDS AND FOR ADVERTISING BANNERS

ORDINANCES (continued):

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

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- 3. Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

ORDINANCE 05-2015

Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

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- 4. Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

ORDINANCE 06-2015

Ordinance Amending Chapter 135 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Riverdale and Establishing Fees for Classes and Private Programs at the Senior Community Center and the Glenburn Estate

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

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RESOLUTIONS:

Councilperson Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilperson Pellegrini, to approve the following resolutions:

- 1) Payment of Claims (including the following):
 - a. US Postal Service - Postage for April Newsletters - Not to exceed \$415.00
- 2) **Resolution No. 31-2015;** Authorizing the Signing of Government Energy Aggregation Program Agreements
- 3) **Resolution No. 32-2015;** Emergency Temporary Appropriations
- 4) **Resolution No. 33-2015;** Transfer of 2014 Appropriation Reserves
- 5) **Resolution No. 34-2015;** Authorizing the Solicitation of Bids for a License to Park Motor Vehicles on a Portion of Municipal Property (83 Newark Pompton Turnpike) and Authorizing the Award of Bid to the Highest Bidder

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

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CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) From former Municipal Clerk Carol Talerico requesting that her electronic signature be removed from payroll checks.

Mayor Budesheim stated that this had already been taken care of.

- 2) From former Municipal Clerk Carol Talerico notifying the governing body that she has not received a retro-check for the 2014 employee increase of 2% and requesting same.

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to pay Carol Talerico her retro-check for the 2014 employee increase of 2% in the amount of \$570.36 pending verification of amount.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo

Nays: None

(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to approve the proposal for Security System Solutions in the amount of \$2,811.90 to install a new security entry system at the Community Center.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo

Nays: None

(6 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Budesheim stated that he, Councilman Clinton, and Councilman Pellegrini met with the school officials to review their budget. Their budget is a 1.9% increase.

Mayor Budesheim stated that he, Councilman Revis, and Councilman Clinton met with the PBA for a new health coverage plan alternatives.

Mayor Budesheim stated the he met with the Borough Attorney and the COAH planner, Bob Michaels, in preparation to go court to certify the Borough of Riverdale housing plans.

Mayor Budesheim stated the money left over in the recycling account may be used to buy residents large recycling cans.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: Items to be discussed in closed session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis stated that the police department time shift trial for the dispatchers has begun. Recommendations to come. Fire department looking to replace a rescue vehicle with the purchase of a rescue pumper in the near future after completing specifications for the vehicle.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued):

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Councilman Astarita is recommending that the floor in the community center be replaced this year. The baseball field has begun to be reserved for several games.

PERSONNEL: No report

FINANCE: Councilman Pellegrini invited the Borough CFO to attend the meeting to address the 2015 municipal budget. The CFO stated he prefer a small tax increase to be cautious as well as to add flexibility but was able to modify the budget to avoid a tax increase.

Councilman Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, for the introduction of the 2015 municipal budget.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis**

Nays: Clinton, Mastrangelo

(4 ayes- 2 nays- motion carried)

COPY OF 2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 31-J**RIVERDALE QUARRY LICENSE RENEWAL HEARING:**

Borough engineer, Paul Darmofalski, gave a history and synopsis to the new council members about the quarry, the occupants, and the property owner.

Representatives from Tilcon gave a presentation to the council members along with addressing concerns from the governing body and Borough residents. Members of the governing body asked questions regarding hazardous and toxic materials and waste along with complaints and concerns yielded from residents.

A representative from the Mayhan group (owners of the quarry property) discussed the on-going issues between them and Tilcon in order to ensure Tilcon operates in an economic manner as well as upholds their agreement as per their contract for the long term protection of the Borough.

Mayor Budesheim opened the floor to the general public for the Riverdale Quarry License Renewal Hearing:

John Morley, 4309 Ramapo Court- the Grande- concerned without knowing when blasting will occur at the quarry, the quality of water, and the damage being caused at the Grande.

RIVERDALE QUARRY LICENSE RENEWAL HEARING (continued):

Carolyn Masone, 274 Hamburg Turnpike, says the quarry is a quality of life issue and wants them to leave. Would like Tilcon to come before the council on a yearly basis.

Matt Oswald, 9 Cotluss Road, would like to see the testing of water and soil levels if available. Oswald also asked about what that location is zoned for after the quarry is finished.

There being no further comments, Councilperson Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, that the public portion be closed.

ALL IN FAVOR**CLOSED SESSION: PENDING LITIGATION**

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

ALL IN FAVOR

Closed session being completed, the meeting returns to public session at 9:44 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo

Absent: None

Councilman Clinton stated that he and Councilman Carelli met with Krista Osborne regarding her title and salary.

Councilman Clinton set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to pay Krista Osborne \$5,200 as recreation director and her hourly rate as summer recreation director.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Clinton, Revis, Mastrangelo

Nays: Carelli, Pellegrini

(4 ayes- 2 nays- motion carried)

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:

Dave Desai, 22 Cotluss Road, asked for clarification about the salary for the recreation director along with the events held by the director.

There being no further comments, Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, that the public portion be closed.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2 (continued):

ALL IN FAVOR

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 9:53 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jimmy Homs
Assistant Municipal Clerk

