

April 22, 2015

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

Mayor Budesheim presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Absent: Astarita (vacation), Clinton (business trip)

Also Present: Police Chief Smith and Fire Chief Sturm

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED:

Workshop Meeting - April 8, 2015

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 1:

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

ALL IN FAVOR

ORDINANCES:

1) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

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**

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 Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 03-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

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ORDINANCES (continued):

- 2) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

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**

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 Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 04-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

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- 3) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE 05-2015

**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A.
40A:4-45.14)**

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 Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 05-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

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ORDINANCES (continued):

4) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

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**

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 Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 06-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 39-D

PUBLIC HEARING OF 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

Mayor Budesheim announced that the meeting is open for comments on the municipal budget.

There being no comments, Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to close the public hearing.

ALL IN FAVOR.

ADOPTION OF THE 2014 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:

Councilman Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, for the Adoption of the 2015 Municipal Budget.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

COPY OF 2015 MUNICIPAL BUDGET IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 39-E

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Carelli requested that resolution No. 2 for a professional agreement for the website be tabled until we see a demonstration and other options. Mayor Budesheim stated his concern that we were notified by the NJ State Police homeland security that our website is extremely vulnerable right now and he is trying to correct that.

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RESOLUTIONS (continued):

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to approve the following resolutions:

- 1) Payment of Claims
- 2) **Removed**
- 3) Authorizing the appointment of Sara Webb as full time dispatcher at a salary of \$33,000 per year effective May 11, 2015.
- 4) Authorizing the appointment of Britany Condit as part time dispatcher at a salary of \$13.00 per hour pending passing a background check.
- 5) Confirming the appointment of Graziella Viera-Goncalves as Court Administrator at a salary of \$50,000 per year effective April 13, 2015.
- 6) **Resolution No. 39-2015;** Approving refunds due to tax appeal settlements – Block 40, Lot 4.01 (Home Depot) and Block 4 Lot 1 (Milbar)
- 7) **Resolution No. 40-2015;** Authorizing the purchase of Electricity Supply Services for Public Use on an Online Auction Website

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 40-F, G AND H

Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Pellegrini, to **TABLE** the following resolution until the next meeting to allow for a demonstration:

- 2) **Resolution No. 38-2015;** Authorizing the execution of a Professional Services Agreement between the Borough of Riverdale and Virtual Towns & Schools (VTS) to provide annual website hosting and support services.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) From the Bicycle Touring Club of North Jersey advising of their yearly event “The Ramapo Rally” to take place on Sunday, August 16, 2015. Some or all of the 1000+ participants will ride through Riverdale between the hours of 7 AM and 5:30 PM.

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Budesheim reported the funding for 2014 payment for the 2013 LOSAP was short by about \$6,315.00. There were 7 new members of the fire department that were excluded from our contributions.

Thereupon, Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to approve an additional \$6,315.00 for the 2014 LOSAP payment for the members that were excluded.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

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MAYOR REPORT (continued):

Mayor Budesheim reported on problems with our recording system. The fee from the company we purchased the software from to troubleshoot is \$1,800 plus mileage. Our new Court Administrator contacted Gramco and they quoted \$4,495 to update the whole system which includes delivery, installation, software and training.

Thereupon, Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to approve the purchase and installation of new software for the recording system from Gramco at a cost of \$4,495.00.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

Mayor Budesheim announced that the Quarry Hearing will be re-scheduled for May 27th at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Budesheim reported that we received \$1,500 in fees already with the new program set up for the ball fields and they have some commitments for banners. A price of \$1,134.84 was obtained from Anthem Sports in Connecticut for the fence crowns that go over the fencing and the money will be taken from the trust fund.

Thereupon, Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to approve the purchase of fence crown from Anthem Sports at a cost of \$1,134.84.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

Mayor Budesheim reported that we have signed resolutions from Kinnelon and Bloomingdale regarding the purchase of additional sewer allocation. 91,000 gallons at a price of \$23 per gallon comes to \$2,093,000. We have the money from bond ordinance 03-2006. This will take some time and we have to do this by ordinance but Kinnelon and Bloomingdale are looking for commitments.

Thereupon, Councilman Carelli set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Pellegrini, to commit to purchase allocation and enter into an agreement with the Boroughs of Kinnelon and Bloomingdale for the sale and purchase of excess sewer capacity.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo
Nays: None
(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

Mayor Budesheim reported on the status of tax appeals.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:

Clerk Jalloh reminded the Mayor and Council that 2015 Financial Disclosure requirements are due April 30th.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Councilman Pellegrini reported that everyone is aware the budget passed.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued):

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis reported that he has an application for a junior fire department membership.

Thereupon, Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to approve the application from Peter Michael Franceschi Jr. for membership in the Riverdale Fire Department.

ALL IN FAVOR.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councilman Mastrangelo reported that a catch basin on Route 23 was about to collapse. When Steve Schotanus called the NJDOT he was told they didn't have the manpower or money to fix it so he reached out to the Mayor. The Mayor reached out to the NJDOT and it was then repaired. Councilman Mastrangelo also reported that DPW Superintendent Steve Schotanus did a performance review and recommended several promotions.

Thereupon, Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to approve the following DPW promotions and salaries:

Travis Schneider from Laborer Grade C to Utilityperson Grade A @ \$16.56 per hour
 Corey Deininger from Laborer Grade B to Laborer Grade C @ \$15.56 per hour
 Marc Lisowski from Utilityperson Grade A to Utilityperson Grade B @ \$17.56 per hour
 Nick Laprezioso from Utilityperson Grade A to Utilityperson Grade B @ 17.56 per hour

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Nays: None
 (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Councilman Carelli commented on Resolution No. 7 stating that it's good to lower our energy rates.

CLOSED SESSION:

1) Property Acquisition

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, RESOLVED that the Council go into closed session to discuss a matter of property acquisition.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Closed session being completed, the meeting returns to public session at 8:14 p.m.

ROLL CALL: **Present: Carelli, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo**
 Absent: None

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:

Matt Oswald, 9 Cotluss Road, inquired about the money put out and taken in for the fields. He also stated that he heard from some people that the town baseball and softball teams weren't offered the fields. Mayor Budesheim stated that was not true and responded to his questions regarding field usage and finances. He asked Mr. Oswald who these people were but Mr. Oswald would not disclose their names.

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AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:

Dave Desai, 22 Cotluss Road, asked Mayor Budesheim if he was willing to share what the responsibilities of a full-time Mayor are in a Borough form of government as his campaign literature said that Riverdale deserves a full-time mayor. Mayor Budesheim stated that he would not respond to a political question. He suggested Mr. Desai contact the Women's Club to set up a debate where he will answer questions regarding the campaign.

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

ALL IN FAVOR

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk