

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: Carelli, Mastrangelo, Revis, Wetzel, Guis
Absent: Astarita**

**Also Present: Police Chief Smith, Fire Chief Sturm
(Sturm left at 7:38)**

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 1:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

SWEARING IN OF POLICE LIEUTENANT JAMES MC INTOSH

Mayor Budesheim announced that James McIntosh was born and raised in Bloomingdale and graduated from Butler High School. He was in the United States Marine Corps reserve and attended William Paterson College. He was hired as a Patrolman in the Riverdale Police Department in 1995 and in 2003 was promoted to Sergeant. He is currently in charge of the Patrol Division and is the Internal Affairs Officer and Public Information Officer.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk swore in James McIntosh as Lieutenant.

Lieutenant McIntosh thanked everyone for their support and stated he could not have done this without his family which is his department.

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Guis commented on resolutions No. 3 and No. 4. He stated that he is not in favor at this time of appointing two officers as he believes it can be done with 15 men through scheduling. Chief Smith stated that he needs the number to be at 16 and it is time to do it. We have two quality men and we don't want to lose one. Councilman Guis respectfully disagreed and stated that he wished this had been discussed at a workshop meeting. Mayor Budesheim stated that the need for the 16 had been discussed and it was put in the budget this year.

Thereupon, Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to approve resolutions No. 1 through No. 4 as follows:

- 1) Payment of Claims.
- 2) **Resolution No. 41-2014;** Emergency Temporary Appropriations
- 3) Appointment of Timothy Schwartz as Probationary Patrolman, conditioned upon successfully graduating the Police Academy, effective with the hiring start date of June 16, 2014.

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

RESOLUTIONS (continued):

- 4) Appointment of Andrew Duffy as Probationary Patrolman, conditioned upon successfully graduating the Police Academy, effective with the hiring start date of July 16, 2014.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Carelli, Mastrangelo, Revis, Wetzel**
 Nays: Guis
 (4 ayes – 1 nay – motion carried)

COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 51- A AND B**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 7th 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)

Councilman Carelli asked if we need to do something about the construction fees. Borough Attorney Oostdyk stated the reason it's been on hold is that Wanaque has been debating what to do with their fees. Mayor Budesheim stated that they would have to raise their fees to get closer to ours. We're not looking to lower our fees. He will follow up with Wanaque.

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Budesheim reported on DPW staffing. Mark Lisowski was hired last week and we need to hire two more. Councilman Guis stated that there are two out on workman's comp and if we hire two more we may be up one more than we were. Council discussed several options.

Thereupon, Councilman Guis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to approve the hiring of Mark Lisowski as DPW Laborer at the rate of \$15.00 per hour effective April 28, 2014.

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

Mayor Budesheim reported that we had the first closing on the flood buyout houses on Harrison Road. He also reported that he spoke to our COAH planner and the new numbers are out. It looks like our obligation is 94 units. He can't find anything in this law that gives us credit for rentals. The 5 to 1 ratio as part of the builders' remedy is now 10 to 1. These regulations, if they pass through all the hearings, won't go into effect until November. Councilman Carelli asked if the planner could give a presentation to the Council.

Mayor Budesheim reported on the possibility of us providing Library services for Butler. Their director resigned and they would like us to extend an invitation to them so we can begin talks about providing library services.

MAYOR REPORT (continued):

Mayor Budesheim reported on the Board of Health. It seems like everything now has to go to Pequannock and it's taking them two or three months to get us the money. Their cost is considerably higher than when we started with them a few years ago. He suggested looking into a part time health officer and eliminating this shared service.

Mayor Budesheim reported that he did research on fees for field usage. Chapter 43 of our own ordinances is a Park Maintenance Board and one of the duties and powers is to recommend to the Mayor and Council the amount of fees to be charged for uses of municipally owned or operated recreational facilities. The other responsibilities are to collect the foresaid fees and expend the same for maintenance and improvements. Borough Attorney Oostdyk stated that giving the committee control over funding is somewhat concerning and perhaps not permissible. He will review the ordinance.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report.

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE: Councilman Carelli stated that he would reach out to several of the Council people to go over the budget before we're scheduled to adopt on May 19th.

PUBLIC SAFETY: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS: Councilman Guis reported that they are having trouble with the telemetry on the water tanks again and the system we use is basically obsolete. He obtained a proposal for approximately \$20,000 to go to a radio system. Our Sewer/Water Engineer has been recommending this for a while. Councilman Guis also recommended an improved alarm system be included.

Thereupon, Councilman Guis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to authorize Water/Sewer Engineer Bill Ryden to prepare bid specifications for a radio telemetry system for the water tanks at Rock Creek and The Grande including communication for the alarm system.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Councilman Guis reported on the increased maintenance at the Riverdale Road pump station. Our two pumps are 20 years old and on their last legs and we have absolutely no metering there. The ballpark estimate for repair is \$30,000.

Thereupon, Councilman Guis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Carelli, to authorize Water/Sewer Engineer Bill Ryden to prepare bid specifications to replace two effluent pumps at the Riverdale Road pump station.

ALL IN FAVOR.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: Councilwoman Wetzel reported on the new playground equipment. Delivery is expected in five to six weeks and an installation date will be selected once the DPW is up to staff.

PERSONNEL: Councilman Revis reported that the ad for the part-time Municipal Clerk on the League of Municipalities website expired on April 27th. We received four resumes but two had no experience at all. One is an RMC and the other had some municipal

COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued):

experience but not as a clerk. The Personnel Committee will meet and at least interview the RMC and make a recommendation to the Council at the next meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 2:

There being no comments, Councilman Guis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Linda C. Forbes, R.M.C.
Deputy Municipal Clerk