

September 23, 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: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Pellegrini, Revis, Mastrangelo  
Absent: None**

**Also Present: Borough Attorney Oostdyk 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:**

Workshop Meeting - September 9, 2015

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 1:**

Mark Ciampi, 10 Fernwood Crescent, spoke regarding the chicken ordinance. He advised residents in attendance to share any concerns regarding this ordinance which allows 3 backyard chickens on any size lot and is scheduled for a vote on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

Ken Dolsky from Parsippany stated he is a member of the Coalition against the Pilgrim Pipeline. He provided the Council with information and urged them to consider passing an ordinance that he said would give Riverdale further protection against the pipeline. He provided sample ordinances and contact information. He said that all 28 towns on the pipeline route have passed resolutions against it. The best strategy is to work together and having a similar ordinance will make this much easier.

Ann Powly of Mahwah stated that Mahwah is pushing it through their system and their Council members would make themselves available to answer questions.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**PRESENTATION TO HONOR TEEN VOLUNTEERS TO THE RIVERDALE LIBRARY.**

Mayor Budesheim stated that it is a tradition each September to acknowledge the youth volunteers at the library. The Riverdale Library is one of the leading exporting libraries in Morris County. It is a gem and it's great to see that the young people take an interest in the library and volunteer their time. We thank them and their parents who instill service to the community and appreciation for the library services. Councilman Carelli presented each volunteer with certificates of appreciation.

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**ORDINANCES:**

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

**ORDINANCE 14-2015**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 154, "TOWERS AND WRECKERS", OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE**

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 Councilman Mastrangelo, to close the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 14-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

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

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

**ORDINANCE 15-2015**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND PROVIDING FOR USE OF POLICE SERVICES BY OUTSIDE CONTRACTORS**

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

Mayor Budesheim stated that there was a typographical error. The fee for use of a police vehicle should be \$15.00 per hour in both places where it appears in the ordinance.

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

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 15-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

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

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**COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 87-B****RESOLUTIONS:**

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

- 1) Payment of Claims. Including the following payment:
  - a. United States Postal Service- Postage for October 2015 Newsletter- Not to exceed \$450
  - b. Gloria Carelli - Replenish Food Pantry - \$481.77
- 2) **Resolution No. 62-2015**; Approval of 2015/2016 Liquor License for Dexter's Inc. that has received a "Special Ruling" from the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control approving the renewal of this license for the 2015/2016 license term.
- 3) Approval of purchase and installation of radios and console for new police vehicle form 10-75 Emergency Lighting under State Contract #A81347 in the amount of \$2,990.46.
- 4) Approval to purchase new 2015 Dodge Charger for the Police Department through Hertrich Fleet Services using NJ State contract #A88729(T2776) to be financed through KS State Bank for a 4 year lease with quarterly payment of \$1,744.53 for a total amount of \$27,912.48.
- 5) **Resolution No. 63-2015**; Resolution supporting Pompton Lakes Resolution 15-169 concerning the proposed flood insurance rate map changes for the Borough of Pompton Lakes.
- 6) Removed
- 7) Authorizing Key Tech Laboratories to perform required asphalt core testing of the paving on Highland, Hillside, Wilson & Carper for a lump sum cost of \$1,650.00 as recommended by the Borough Engineer (copy of proposal distributed to governing body).

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

Mayor Budesheim asked if resolution No. 6 could be handled administratively as the hours come up rather than a blanket number of hours.

Councilman Revis said that the resolution specifies the hours would be at the discretion of the Police Chief not to exceed 29 hours per week which he believed was sufficient.

Thereupon, Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to approve the following resolution:

- 6) **Resolution No. 64-2015**; Resolution authorizing an increase in hours for an amount not to exceed 29 hours per week for the Police Secretary in the Borough of Riverdale

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Astarita, Carelli, Clinton, Revis, Mastrangelo**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Pellegrini**  
**(5 ayes – 0 nays – 1 abstention - motion carried)**

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 87-C, D, E AND F**

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**INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY:**

- 1) “Certificate of Determination and Award” Issuance of a Bond Anticipation Note in the amount of \$4,500,000 on September 16, 2015 with a maturity date of September 16, 2016, numbered 2015-1. Interest rate per annum is .63% payable at maturity, net interest cost .63%, awarded and sold note to PNC Bank, National Association, East Brunswick, New Jersey at a price of \$4,500,000.

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Budesheim reported on the possibility of purchasing the old Texaco property next to the Verizon building using funds from the COAH account. He has been in discussion over the past year with the owner of the property and it appears they may be willing to accept our offer of \$425,000. It does not have to be decided now how we would use it. He also advised the Council that Jersey Central has been talking about buying this property to expand their substation. The Mayor felt it is a good opportunity to purchase this property now for COAH purposes.

Thereupon, Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Astarita, to authorize the Mayor to present a formal offer of \$425,000 for the purchase of the old Texaco property and to have the Borough Attorney prepare a contract.

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

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** No report.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis reported that the S.P.C.A. made a request through the Police Chief for a donation of five old Toughbooks that were used in patrol cars dating back to 2003. There is no resale value.

Thereupon, Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman, to render the five Toughbooks obsolete and of no value and to authorize the Police Chief to donate them to the S.P.C.A.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Councilman Revis reported that the 9-1-1 Interlocal Agreement with Butler comes up at the end of the year and they are suggesting a 3 year extension from 2016 to 2018 at the same cost. He asked that this be on the agenda for approval at the next meeting.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Mastrangelo reported that a DPW employee was terminated and we are looking for a replacement. He also reported on a program where blue lines are put in front of houses to designate they support the police. He suggested the DPW could do this if there was interest.

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** No report.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS (continued):**

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:** Councilman Astarita reported that the Shade Tree class was held at the Community Center on Tuesday. He commended Linda Roetman for a terrific job in making the arrangements. There were 65 representatives from NJ who came to take the credit class and it was very interesting. He also reported that some Police Departments around northern New Jersey have been making an area available by the police parking lot as a Craigslist Safe Zone where people could feel safe conducting their transactions. He felt this was something that could be a benefit for the residents that we could look into.

Mayor Budesheim inquired about the rake for the ballfields. Councilman Astarita said that he didn't think we had to buy a rake. It only needs to be done once or twice a year and the DPW Superintendent said Pequannock is helping us out right now.

**PERSONNEL:** No report.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:**

Police Chief Smith reported that there may be some traffic delays caused in Riverdale when Butler shuts down Main Street by Park Place next week for the railroad construction.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk