

The workshop 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, Revis, Mastrangelo**

**Absent: Pellegrini**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED:**

Regular Meeting - September 23, 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:**

Marcus Ciampi, 10 Fernwood Cr., prepared a documentation of research and analysis for the upcoming vote on an ordinance allowing residents to have chickens. Ciampi distributed his documentation to the Mayor and Council.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

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

- 1) Payment of Claims, including the following:
  - a) U.S. Postal Service – Postage for November newsletters – not to exceed \$450.00
- 2) **Resolution No. 65-2015;** Interlocal Services Agreement with Borough of Butler for 911 Services
- 3) **Resolution No. 66-2015;** Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Oak Street Improvements Project
- 4) Approval for purchase of 6 tires for the fire truck from Apollo Battery & Tire in the amount of \$3,182.86 under state contact number G0003925 (2 quotes received).

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

**Nays: None**

**(5 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 90- A, B, & C**

**WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:**

Mayor Budesheim asked the members of the Council if they had any questions on the best practices inventory or the accounting manual. Mayor Budesheim then proceeded to explain how the best practices inventory determined how much state aid the Borough receives. Mayor Budesheim explained how each year the inventory changes and gave the example of employees receiving money if they waive their health insurance coverage through the Borough.

Councilman Mastrangelo asked how much money the Borough receives in state aid from being in compliance with the best practices inventory. Mayor Budesheim replied how the process works and the benefits from being in compliance.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

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

- 1) Request for extension of hours of operation by Walmart, 48 Route 23 North, Riverdale to be open November 26, 2015 at 7:00 a.m. to November 27, 2015 till 12:00 p.m. (fee has been paid).

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

**Nays: Mastrangelo**

**(4 ayes- 1 nay- motion carried)**

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Budesheim reminded everyone that Monday, October 19, 2015 will be the police appreciation night at the community center at 7:30PM. Food pantry donations will be accepted as well.

Mayor Budesheim stated that the new Borough website will go live on Friday, October 16, 2015.

Mayor Budesheim met with the Mayor of Pompton Lakes. Pompton Lakes is looking for additional field use for their lacrosse team. Some reconfiguration may be done in order to make a small field and a full-size soccer field. One of the basketball courts would have to be taken out which will be done by the DPW.

Councilman Astarita said this is a great idea which will optimize the use of the area.

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to approve the reconfiguration of the fields.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Mayor Budesheim met with the Mayors of Bloomingdale, Kinnelon, and the Sewer Authority. A problem arose with the purchasing of the allocation. The purchase of the Borough will be protected. Included in the contract will allow the Borough to purchase more allocation down the road if necessary.

Mayor Budesheim stated that on Sunday, October 18, 2015 at the Glenburn Tyler Sotto will be presented with a Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor. Mayor Budesheim stated he would not be able to attend and asked if a member of the governing body would be present.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No report

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis stated that the PBA will begin the contract negotiations. Feedback is expected shortly. There was a meeting with the fire chief regarding items due for payment.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Mastrangelo stated that Kenneth DeRitter will be hired to work within the DPW. Effective November 1, 2015 at \$16/hour with CDL.

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Clinton, to approve the employment of Kenneth DeRitter:

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

**Nays: None**

**(5 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: (continued)**

**COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** Councilman Carelli reported that the town fright night event is Tuesday, October 20, 2015 at the Glenburn at 6PM. Councilman Carelli also state he would attend the court of honor on Sunday for Tyler Sotto.

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS:** Councilman Astarita stated we put off the field rake for the baseball fields. The fields need to be raked before every session. The field rake equipment would come out of open space and two quotes were received.

Councilman Astarita set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Clinton, to approve the purchase of the field rake equipment, contingent upon receiving a lower quote, not to exceed \$13,519 and to only be used by the Riverdale DPW employees:

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

**Nays: None**

**(5 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)**

Councilman Astarita stated a tree fell on a car on Post Lane which had to be removed. Councilman Astarita asked who the responsible party would be for these trees. It was responded that it would depend and looking at a tax map would help determine the responsible party.

Councilman Astarita stated that the CDRS county meeting will be on November 5, 2015 at 5pm. Councilman Astarita asked if Councilman Carelli could attend. Councilman Carelli stated he would check. Mayor Budesheim also stated he would check his schedule and get back to Councilman Astarita.

**PERSONNEL:** No report

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:**

John Morley, 4309 Ramapo Ct., requested that a sign be put up, that a stop sign had been hit and fell over, and wanted to see if the ramp could be extended. Mayor Budesheim stated that these are State DOT issues. Mayor Budesheim stated he would contact the DOT.

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 Revis to adjourn the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Adjourned: 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk