

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: Carelli, Clinton, Revis, Mastrangelo

Absent: Astarita, Pellegrini

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:

Workshop Meeting - October 14, 2015

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

ALL IN FAVOR

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 1:

There being no comments, Councilman Revis 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 13-2015

**“PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 13-2015;
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 168, “ZONING,” SECTION 168-36,
“KEEPING OF ANIMALS,” OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF
THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE”**

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

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

Mark Ciampi, 10 Fernwood Cr, presented a petition signed by residents who opposed this proposed ordinance.

Meg Sturm, 10 Munn Ave, read a statement in support of the passing of this ordinance. Sturm also stated that she hoped the Council would vote to approve the ordinance.

Brendan Magennis, 36 Riverview Ter, stated that the ordinance would affect 100% of the residents of the Borough. This should be situational depending on the size of the lot. Brendan believes that the ordinance has been in existence for so long and that it doesn't need to be changed.

Meg Sturm, 10 Munn Ave, stated that the ordinance calls that the chickens be contained in a coop and cannot be free ranging.

Chris Scilingo, 24 Cedar St, stated the wording of the ordinance only allows larger properties to have chickens.

Dennis Kearney, 25 Fernwood Cr, opposed the ordinance because they attract rats and the lot sizes are too small.

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

ALL IN FAVOR

ORDINANCES: (continued)

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, **RESOLVED** that ordinance No. 13-2015 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Mastrangelo
Nays: Carelli, Clinton, Revis
(1 aye- 3 nays- motion DENIED)

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

ORDINANCE 16-2015

“ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AUTHROIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE 2015 AMENDMENT TO THE 1987 SERVICE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE SEWERAGE AUTHORITY AND THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE”

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

COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 94-B

RESOLUTIONS:

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

- 1) Payment of Claims.
- 2) Approval of payment to Darmofalski Engineering Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$10,680 for improvements at Federal Place & Halsey Avenue.
- 3) Approving additional payment to Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs (formerly Weber, Gallagher, Simpson) for services pertaining to Paige v. Riverdale – Not to exceed \$10,000 (\$20,000 previously approved).
- 4) **Resolution No. 67-2015;** Resolution in support of the installation of crosswalk on Paterson-Hamburg Turnpike
- 5) **Resolution No. 68-2015;** Resolution to authorize execution of the 2015 Five Party Agreement for the transfer of sewerage capacity (copy of agreement distributed to governing body with revised agenda)
- 6) **Resolution No. 69-2015;** Authorization of Mayor’s endorsement to TWA-1 and WQM-003 forms and submittal to the PRBRSA for endorsement and submittal to the DEP for a TWA Permit.

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

COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS ON PAGE NO. 94-C, D, E, & F

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Budesheim stated that a settlement with Walmart had been made with their tax appeals in the amount of \$369,428.21.

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

MAYOR REPORT: (continued)

Resolution No. 70-2015; Resolution approving property tax settlement with Riverdale Crossing, LLC

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

Nays: None

(4 ayes- 0 nays- motion carried)

COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 95-A

There will be only one meeting in November which will be on Monday the 16th which will also be when the public hearing is scheduled for the Tilcon Quarry.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mayor Budesheim stated that the rates for sewer charges for 2016 should be decided soon since the first meter reading will be in January, 2016.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis stated that 3 applications were received for membership in the fire department.

Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Mastrangelo, to approve the applications for membership in the Riverdale volunteer fire department from Kaitlyn Giordanetti, Joseph Fiduccia, & Joseph Boyle.

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Revis thanked everyone who came out to the police appreciation night and will hold an appreciation night for the fire department.

Councilman Revis stated that the police department received a grant to replace the bullet proof vests. An application for another grant will be filed by the police department for drunk driving.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: No report

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Mayor Budesheim, on behalf of Councilman Astarita, stated that the architect went out for bid to repair the stone walls at the Glenburn. Two bids were received. The lowest price received for the repair was for \$14,231 from Kimball Landscape Associates another bid was received but the vendor withdrew their bid.

Councilman Mastrangelo set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Clinton, to approve the repair of the stone wall at the Glenburn with Kimball Landscape Associates for \$14,231.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Clinton, Revis, Mastrangelo

Nays: Carelli

(3 ayes- 1 nay- motion carried)

PERSONNEL: No report

Mayor Budesheim stated that the assistant clerk has been certified as a registered municipal clerk since April. Mayor Budesheim stated that in the past previous employees received a raise after being certified and he should be extended the same courtesy since he is doing work which was previously handled by the previous municipal clerk.

Councilman Clinton set forth the motion, to approve a \$5,000 raise for the assistant clerk. Councilman Carelli stated that the Council should wait until all the Council members are present to discuss and that it wasn't the right time.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION NO 2:

Dave Desai, 22 Cotluss Rd, asked why the tax appeal from Walmart was so high and the assessment was so off. Mayor Budesheim stated partly because of the down turn of the economy a few years back. Mayor Budesheim stated that all the big property owners file tax appeals.

Borough Attorney Oostdyk stated that this is a problem state wide with properties located mainly on state highways.

Meg Sturm, 10 Munn Ave, asked what she can do after the ordinance she supported got voted down. Mayor Budesheim stated she should work with the Councilmen who voted against the ordinance to see what changes can be made for the ordinance to be approved.

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

ALL IN FAVOR**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Jimmy Homs
Assistant Municipal Clerk