

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

Mayor William Budesheim presiding.

ROLL CALL: Present: Astarita, Falkoski, Guis, Wetzel, Carelli
Absent: Bush

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 Falkoski set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Guis, to close the public session.

ALL IN FAVOR.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1) Sewer Pump Station Easement – 29 Morris Avenue – Block 10 Lot 15.01 as summarized by Borough Engineer in letter to homeowner Ms. Teri Mates. Copy of letter distributed to Mayor and Council with Agenda.

Council discussed the improvements proposed for this property as compensation for a sewer easement. Councilman Carelli asked whether the Engineer has established a dollar amount for the value of the work. Councilman Guis explained that in order to put a number value you need appraisals which take time and cost money.

- 2) Consideration of “Amusement and Entertainment” ordinance as requested by Councilman Joseph Falkoski. Copy of ordinance distributed to Mayor and Council with Agenda.

Councilman Falkoski stated the purpose of this ordinance is to gain more control as a local body over establishments that serve liquor and provide entertainment and cause a nuisance problem. There was discussion regarding particulars of the sample ordinance. Councilman Guis stated the ordinance is too subjective. Consensus of the Council was to pursue refining the ordinance.

- 3) Consideration of pay for Fire Administrator Pat Cleary – now receiving a stipend of \$2500 per year.

Mayor Budesheim stated he was unclear as to the extent of administrative work being done by the Fire Administrator. Councilman Falkoski will look into the matter.

- 4) Robert Michaels, Planner for the Borough’s COAH recertification and the Highlands Act for which the Governing Body passed a resolution submitting a “Notice of Intent” to the Highlands Council to conform to the Regional Master Plan with regard to the Highlands Act. Mr. Michaels is looking for further input on this decision. The council had set a target date of December 8, 2009 as the target date for submission of a Petition for Plan Conformance. Copy of resolution distributed to the Mayor and Council with Agenda.

Consensus of the Council was for the Planner to pursue the matter with the intent that Riverdale will not opt for the Highlands Act.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1) Notification from the Borough of Bloomingdale regarding the public hearing and adoption of their Ordinance #8-2009 amending the zoning ordinance of the Borough of Bloomingdale and advising of a public hearing date of August 18, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. (copy of document in Borough Clerk's office for review)

Mayor Budesheim will send a letter stating our position is that the steep slopes and environmental concerns should be adhered to.

MAYOR REPORT:

Mayor Budesheim reminded everyone that the Hamburg Turnpike will be shut down completely from 9 a.m. August 17th through 6 p.m. August 20th. He also reported the tax bills were mailed today and the increase is .4 of one point. The street lights have been turned on at Cotliss Road and Dalton Drive.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Falkoski stated that Riverdale Square had agreed to install video cameras when they got their approval for renovations. He reported hearing they are now claiming they don't have to install the cameras since Dexter's has moved out. Councilman Falkoski reported on the deteriorated condition of Aqueduct Road particularly when it rains. Councilman Guis stated that we plan to spread millings when they become available. It is a private road; however, the precedent has been set for 15 or 20 years that we have been helping to maintain it. When the home sells we should advise the new owner that we will not maintain the private road.

Councilwoman Wetzel reported the make-up date for the cancelled concert will be 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, September 6th which is the same date as the Street Fair.

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Falkoski stated that the next lowest rate for part-time dispatchers in this area is \$14.15 per hour. After a brief discussion, it was decided to increase the pay rate for part-time dispatchers to \$13.00 per hour to be competitive.

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

- 1) **Resolution #70-2009;** Chapter 159 – Over the Limit Under Arrest – 2009 in the amount of \$6,000.00.
- 2) **Resolution #71-2009;** Supporting the Over the Limit Under Arrest 2009 Statewide Crackdown, with regard to alcohol related fatalities.
- 3) Approval of the purchase of 200 – T-10 Neptune water meters at a cost of \$228.00 each for a total cost of \$45,600.00 to be purchased under Morris County Co-op contract #47 – Category B – Item 6A held by Rio Supply, Inc.
- 4) Approval of \$1.00 increase in pay to Shawn Mowla for completion of probationary period.
- 5) Approval of increase in Part Time dispatchers pay to \$13.00 per hour from the current rate of \$11.50 per hour.
- 6) Payment approval to SuperSonic DJ's for teen dance event in the amount of \$250.00.

RESOLUTIONS (continued):

ROLL CALL: **Ayes:** Astarita, Falkoski, Guis, Wetzel, Carelli
 Nays: None
 Abstain: Guis (resolution No. 4 only)
 (5 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

COPY OF RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 62-A AND B

ALL IN FAVOR.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NO. 2:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Carol J. Talerico, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk