

January 24, 2018

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 Carelli presiding.

**ROLL CALL: Present: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Absent: None**

The Municipal Clerk announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place and agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

December 13, 2017 – Closed Session

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Kheyfets**  
**(5 ayes – 0 nays – 1 Abstain - motion carried)**

January 3, 2018 – Reorganization Meeting

January 3, 2018 – Workshop Meeting

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**(6 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- 1) Councilman Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Purcell, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

**ORDINANCE 01-2018**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND PROVIDING FOR A WAIVER OF SEWER APPLICATION FEES FOR CERTAIN CONNECTIONS**

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**(6 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

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**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (continued):**

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

**ORDINANCE 02-2018**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND AMENDING THE FEE CHARGED BY THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE FOR THE GLENBURN WEDDING PACKAGE**

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini  
Nays: None  
(6 ayes - 0 nays - motion carried)**

**COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 11-A**

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

There being no comments, Mayor Carelli closed the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- 36-2018:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JANUARY 19, 2018 FOR 2017/2018 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$806,493.16
- 37-2018:** RESOLUTION CERTIFYING A SUBMISSION OF EXPENDITURE FOR RECYCLING TAX PURSUANT TO P.L. 2007, CHAPTER 311, IN 2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,115.31
- 38-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR POLICE RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT TO NORTHEAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$47,870.00 AS APPROPRIATED IN CAPITAL ORDINANCE #13-2017 FOR THE RIVERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- 39-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR POLICE DISPATCH EQUIPMENT TO NORTHEAST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$136,330.00 AS APPROPRIATED IN CAPITAL ORDINANCE #13-2017 FOR THE RIVERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- 40-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF THE BALANCE OF ESCROW DEPOSITS WITH THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE
- 41-2018:** RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF ENFORCEMENT OF ORDINANCE 160-19 PROHIBITING NIGHT TIME PARKING BETWEEN DECEMBER AND MARCH

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini  
Nays: None  
(6 ayes - 0 nays - motion carried)**

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 11- B, C, D, E, F AND G**

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### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Councilman Desai reported on the property being sold on Newbury Place that currently has a cesspool. The seller requested a letter from the Borough stating that we approve a commitment from the seller to connect to the sewer after the sale of the property. Borough Attorney Oostdyk stated that we can say we are okay with it but we cannot waive a state law. Council discussed the matter. We will soon get the bid package together for the next group of streets. Councilman Desai and the Mayor had a meeting with the homeowner association at The Grande. They discussed their concerns and will have a follow up meeting. Council discussed some of the concerns. Councilman Desai reported that that he is looking into recommendations for auditing and maintenance of our water system.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis stated that the two items on the agenda for the radio communications and dispatch equipment are the items that Chief Smith wanted. He also reported that the Board of Health had its reorganization meeting and are working on a possible proposal for a separate licensing for the institutions in town that sell e-cigarettes.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Pellegrini reported that everything is going smooth at the DPW. He also reported on the progress of the sewer project.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Councilman Purcell reported that the Library had its reorganization meeting.

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald stated that we might want to put in a stub for the building that used to have bathrooms at the baseball field behind the school. He also reported on hiring a company to see how sound our water system is while we're digging up the streets. He also wanted to get pricing for cameras at the ballfields and proposed raising the charge for rental per game which has been the same for three years. He was contacted by the Pompton Lakes/Riverdale Little League asking if we could help to pay for new stands at the field in Pompton Lakes.

**PERSONNEL:** Councilman Kheyfets reported that he and the Mayor had a meeting with Chief Smith and Carol Talerico. We will be putting together better documentation in terms of the forms that borough employees need and use for health insurance, payroll changes, etc.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report.

### **BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:**

Borough Attorney Oostdyk reported on the Affordable Housing litigation in Morris County. The Judge handling that has asked each of the municipalities to meet with Fair Share Housing to discuss status.

### **MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Carelli reported that we will move forward with the contracts for demolition of the houses on Harrison Road. One of our new DPW employees has a fertilizer license and can do the fields if we invest in the equipment. On Tuesday they had an unannounced lockdown drill at the Riverdale School. The Superintendent sent a letter thanking Chief Smith and Lt. McIntosh and appreciates the fine working relationship she has with the town and the police. He also received an email from a gentleman who was assisted by Patrolman Hollenstein when his vehicle lost power

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**MAYOR REPORT (continued):**

on 287. He also reported that our CFO advised our surplus fund balance is \$1.877 million before audit and we should be able to meet our goal of not raising taxes.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

There being no comments, Mayor Carelli closed the public session.

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilman Oswald set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Desai, to adjourn the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk