

May 2, 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 Mayor announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place and agenda.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

April 11, 2018

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Kheyfets, Purcell**  
**(4 ayes – 0 nays – 2 abstain - motion carried)**

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

1) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE 03-2018**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2018 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET**  
**APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**  
**(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

The Mayor read the notice for the second reading and final adoption.

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Councilman Kheyfets set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 03-2018 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

**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. 31-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.

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**ALL IN FAVOR**

**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- 70-2018:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH APRIL 27, 2018 FOR 2017/2018 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$998,679.94
- 71-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER (1-2) FOR THE PHASE 1 SEWER PROJECT – CONTRACT# 2017.09 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,105.78 – NEW TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$490,171.31
- 72-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND ONE EARTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, LLC FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADMINISTRATION AND URBAN PLANNING SERVICES
- 73-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR A 2018 CHEVROLET TAHOE 9C1 SPORT UTILITY VEHICLE AS APPROPRIATED IN CAPITAL ORDINANCE #13-2017 FOR THE RIVERDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT UTILIZING NJ STATE CONTRACT#A89938 FOR AN AMOUNT OF \$35,491.42
- 74-2018:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYING SERVICES) TO DMC ASSOCIATES, INC FOR A ROADWAY SURVEY OF COTLUSS ROAD, HARTUNG AVENUE, AND WESLEY STREET

**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. 32-B, C, D, E AND F**

**PRESENTATION BY REILLY DESAI – GIRL SCOUTS:**

Reilly Desai gave a presentation as the final step toward earning her Girl Scout Silver Award. She presented her idea of installing a crosswalk for safe access across Newark Pompton Turnpike to the library and municipal building and also a walkway leading to the library door. She distributed a diagram showing the location and explained why that location was the most logical. She also went over the costs for the components of the project. The Council was in favor of the project and thanked Reilly for her well thought out presentation.

**2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PRESENTATION**

Mayor Carelli gave a Power Point presentation that provided an overview of the 2018 municipal budget. He thanked the Governing Body, municipal officials and professionals for their work throughout the year. He explained that the Governing Body only controls about one third of the taxes. The rest of it is the School, the County, Library and Open Space tax. He explained the annual reassessment program, the operating budget, the tax levy and surplus. He reviewed the various services provided by the town and some of the notable accomplishments of the past year. In summary, we expect this budget will be providing the same level of service that citizens expect with no Municipal increase in taxes. He projected that with the

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**2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PRESENTATION (continued):**

increases for the School, the County and the Library the average house will have an increase of about \$132.00.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF THE 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting for the public hearing for the 2018 municipal budget.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

The Municipal Auditor, Heide Wohlleb, read the resolution for adoption of the 2018 Municipal Budget.

Councilman Desai set for the motion, seconded by Councilman Purcell, for the adoption of the 2018 Municipal Budget.

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

**COPY OF 2018 MUNICIPAL BUDGET IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 33-G**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Councilman Desai gave an update on the sewer investigation and water meter analysis.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Pellegrini reported that they're moving along on the dispatch center and working on a list for the DPW.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Councilman Purcell reported that all of the bands are secured for the concert series. Contracts with vendors are in review for the final day.

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald reported on the 5K race and the quotes for the scoreboards.

**PERSONNEL:** Councilman Kheyfets reported that we should re-evaluate our soliciting and canvassing application.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No report.

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Carelli reported that he received a letter from the Sewer Engineer certifying that the sewer project is substantially complete and ready for activation and it is appropriate at this time to issue connection notices to all homeowners. The next phase was discussed. Mayor Carelli said he had a request to adopt the fees established by the New Jersey State Police as most towns have done. He suggested

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**MAYOR REPORT (continued):**

the May 9<sup>th</sup> Workshop Meeting be canceled. Council was in agreement. He also suggested that we waive the fee for employees to rent the Community Center one time per year. There were no objections. He stated that we also need to redo the application and rules for the Community Center.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Ron Fego, Brown Court, asked if there was a date when they could hook up to the sewer and when the paving would begin. Mayor Carelli responded. Mr. Fego also asked about the legality of the trailer parked on his street.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 9:09 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk