

November 11, 2020

The workshop meeting of the Borough of Riverdale Mayor and Council opened via Video Conference 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:**

October 28, 2020

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

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

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:**

1) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE 08-2020**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 47 ENTITLED "POLICE DEPARTMENT" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE**

The Municipal Clerk 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 Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kheyfets, **RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 08-2020 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. 78-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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**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

**160-2020:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH NOVEMBER 6, 2020 FOR 2019/2020 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$206,265.52

**161-2020:** RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF RIVERDALE APPOINTING DAVE DESAI TO THE PEQUANNOCK RIVER BASIN REGIONAL SEWERAGE AUTHORITY

**162-2020:** AMENDING THE OFFICIAL DEPOSITORIES RESOLUTION# 13-2020 OF THE BOROUGH FOR THE YEAR 2020 – ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL SIGNATURE

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**Abstain: Desai (resolution 161-2020 only)**  
**(6 ayes – 0 nays – 1 abstain - motion carried)**

**COPY OF RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 79-A, B AND C**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**FINANCE:** Councilman Desai reported on the continued committee discussions with Councilman Revis for the potential opening of the Community Center for use by organizations. He went over the quotations he received from the cleaning services and what is included in the proposals. They will find out which clubs and organizations that had been using the building would be interested in coming back and how often they would meet. He also reported on waivers, insurance and code of conduct to be provided by the organizations. He stated that the purpose is to be prepared and have everything in place when we decide we can open the building.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis gave an update on the Police Department. Chief Smith submitted the quotes on the two vehicles and has been interviewing for one of the open Patrolman positions. Chief Regeling gave an update on the increasing number of Covid-19 cases. He reported that the Health Officer has prepared some forms for building use in Pequannock that he will forward to us. Councilman Revis thanked all the service men and women for their service.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Pellegrini asked about getting an air purification system for the Community Center.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Councilman Purcell asked about the Dial-A-Ride service and if it was still being provided.

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald reported that he told Rock Creek we need to set up a meeting to go over the water billing. He gave an update of the status of GPS for the water vales and the railings at the bridge.

**PERSONNEL:** Councilman Kheyfets updated the Council on the internet and phone systems at the Police Department. He has contacted Frank Covelli to get us a copy of the JIF handbook.

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**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Carelli reported on the numbers and infection rate which is going up substantially in New Jersey. He provided perspective based on the Zoom meeting held with the Chilton Advisory Board. Their new Chief Medical Officer gave an update on the current situation.

**COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE:**

- 2020 Best Practice Inventory - attached

Mayor Carelli announced that the report was distributed and discussed with the Council.

**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**

**CLOSED SESSION:**

At 8:23 p.m. Mayor Carelli announced that Council would go into closed session to discuss the following matters of contract negotiations and a personnel matter.

- Municipal Court
- Rock Creek / Grande Water Billing Update
- PBA Grievance

**ALL IN FAVOR**

Closed session being completed, the meeting returned to public session at 8:59 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk