

June 23, 2021

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: Kheyfets, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Absent: Desai, Purcell**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

June 9, 2021

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

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

**BOROUGH ENGINEER REPORT:**

Borough Engineer Tom Boorady reported on the status and scheduling for the ongoing project on Loy, Parkway, Cedar, Sonya and Cotluss. He answered questions regarding his role and the role of his inspector in road projects. Councilman Kheyfets felt that it is a huge problem that this project is taking eight months and said it's unacceptable. Mr. Boorady stated that it is a big project and it's taking eight months because of weather and stopping for winter. Actual work time was twenty-two weeks. It was agreed that timing and scheduling will be more carefully considered for future projects. Mayor Carelli stressed the importance of having change orders for additional charges. He also discussed future paving plans, the roads to include in the FY 2022 DOT grant and an Incidental Scope Modification for the FY 2020 DOT grant paving project. Mr. Boorady reported that the generator at the Community Center is fully functioning and the Fire Department generator is being installed.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Mayor Carelli handed out a modification to resolution No. 103-2021 as discussed.

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

**RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- 95-2021:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH June 18, 2021 FOR 2020/2021 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,560,650.44
- 96-2020:** APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF VARIOUS LICENSES FOR THE 2021/2022 LICENSE YEAR IN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

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**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA (continued):**

- 97-2021:** APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF INACTIVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE OLD POWDER HORN MILL, LLC FOR THE 2021/2022 LICENSE YEAR
- 98-2021:** RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJS 40A:4-87 – TREE PLANTING – 2021
- 99-2021:** RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION Linda Olivo, 85 Loy Avenue Riverdale, NJ Block 28, Lot 1.01
- 100-2021:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT
- 101-2021:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER (1) FOR ADDITIONAL DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION FOR THE PARKWAY, CEDAR STREET, SONYA TERRACE, AND LOY AVENUE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000- NEW TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$120,000.00
- 102-2021:** RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FROM THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AUTHORIZING A 2021 MORRIS COUNTY TRAIL CONSTRUCTION GRANT APPLICATION
- 103-2021:** APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A FY22 MUNICIPAL AID GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS STREETS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Kheyfets, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini**

**Nays: None**

**(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 49-A THROUGH I****COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PERSONNEL:** Councilman Kheyfets expressed concern over the response time of the First Aid Squad and the availability of the members to go on calls. He will contact them to discuss ways we might be able to assist them.

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald reported that the softball season ended and we had a great response about our fields being the best in the league.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Councilman Pellegrini reported that everything with the DPW is going good.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis deferred to Police Chief Smith who reported on the police department. Chief Regeling reported on a house fire on Loy Avenue and fire department physicals.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No report.

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**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Carelli reported that the last of the cameras are being installed. We are having problems with Optimum internet so he is looking for another provider. He reported that there is a company that does testing of marijuana that is interested in potentially purchasing a building in Riverdale. They do not buy or sell and are not open to the public. Borough Attorney Oostdyk felt that it would not be prohibited by our cannabis ordinance.

**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 Kheyfets, to adjourn the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk