

April 12, 2023

The Council Workshop 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: Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Absent: Desai, Kheyfets**

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

March 22, 2023

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

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

**PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

1) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

**ORDINANCE 01-2023**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 47, "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 Oswald,

**RESOLVED** that Ordinance No. 01-2023 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

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

**COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 22 - 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 Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to approve the following resolutions:

- 65-2023:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH APRIL 12, 2023 FOR 2022/2023 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$275,729.57
- 66-2023:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPER'S AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.
- 67-2023:** RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE IN SUPPORT OF THE LOCATION AND OPERATION OF A CANNABIS TESTING LABORATORY FACILITY BY HIGHGRADE LABS OF NEW JERSEY, LLC.
- 68-2023:** RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION# 59-2023 AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF STEPHANIE COLELLA AS A PART-TIME SALARIED CLERICAL ASSISTANT FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AT AN ANNUAL PART-TIME SALARY OF \$26,000.00
- 69-2023:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN, INC FOR TASK# 2 TITLED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN PREPARATION
- 70-2023:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER (1) FOR ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION RELATED SERVICES FOR THE MORRIS AVENUE WATER MAIN PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,385.25 – NEW TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$11,585.25
- 71-2023:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF MARK LIME AS THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE INSPECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF \$6,000
- 72-2023:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT REQUEST #3 FOR THE INDEPENDENCE PARK RETAINING WALL REPLACEMENT PROJECT MIKE FITZPATRICK CONTRACTORS, INC., 18 COZY LAKE RD, PO BOX 430, OAK RIDGE, NJ 07438 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$103,135.20

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Absent: Desai, Kheyfets**  
**(4 ayes – 0 nays - 2 Absent - motion carried)**

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 23 - A THROUGH H**

**MAYOR REPORT:**

Mayor Carelli reported that the Gala went off without a hitch, I think everyone had a good time. There was close to 550 guests and we received very good feedback. We have the Memorial Day Parade coming up and other things scheduled for the rest of the year. They are getting ready to pave Newark Pompton Turnpike soon. He will be meeting with Heidi and Chris to go over some things for the budget. Hopefully we can introduce maybe at the next meeting or first meeting in May. The new girl is working out well and she will be the Planning Board Secretary and has agreed to take on that responsibility.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald reported that tomorrow they should be paving down at the park. They will be there for two days. Once they are done there will be some concrete to connect the existing walkway between the field to the new walkway that goes behind the wall.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No report.

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**PUBLIC WORKS:** Council President Pellegrini reported that Newark Pompton is almost ready to pave. All the sewer work is done and the sewer authority had to replace three manholes.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis reported that the mayor is working with the CFO and Lisa getting the Fire Department budgeting and requisitions procedure in order. As far as the PD you are working with Duffy on PBA issues in order. You are also working on new car order and hire so that should be happening quickly.

**BOROUGH CLERK REPORT:** No report.

**BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT:** No report

**NEW/OTHER BUSINESS:**

The mayor was contacted today by Bill Palatucci who is now representing Altice and he was asking about the Franchise deal and I told him to contact Lisa.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Council President Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to adjourn the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 7:48PM

Respectfully Submitted:

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Abubakar T. Jalloh, Municipal Clerk