

December 27, 2023

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, Revis, Pellegrini
Absent: Purcell**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

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

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Lisa Ferrara, 115 Newbury Place – asked about resolution 155-2023 what is the amount and where the amount is being transferred too. Mayor Carelli responded \$101,200.31 is the amount and this resolution is done at the end of every year and basically there maybe line items that are short and other line items that we didn't spend all the money so we move it around. It is budget neutral and it doesn't affect anything. She asked about 157-2023 and the custodian was changed from Smith to Quant. A custodian for petty cash has to be made for the Police Department and since Chief Smith retired the custodian is now Chief Quant.

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

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

Council President Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to approve the following resolutions:

155-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 401:4-58

156-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT

157-2023: RESOLUTION CHANGE IN CUSTODIAN OF PETTY CASH FUND

158-2023: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH DECEMBER 27, 2023 FOR 2022/2023 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$51,598.49

159-2023: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF BIDS FOR A LICENSE TO PARK MOTOR VEHICLES OUTSIDE IN THE REAR PARKING LOT OF THE MUNICIPAL PROPERTY GARAGE LOCATED AT 83 NEWARK POMPTON TURNPIKE

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

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MAYOR REPORT

Mayor Carelli reported the re-org meeting is on January 3rd and we will be swearing in myself, Council President Pellegrini and Councilman Kheyfets along with all the appointments for the year. That will be the first meeting of the month and the next one is on January 24th. Councilman Desai set up a meeting with the people from the DEP and it was a good meeting. It was in regards to the trail and grant money available. There is a grant coming up on February 7th and there are grants for trails and acquisition. They gave us a pretty good idea on what we need to do.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: No Report

UTILITIES: No Report

PUBLIC WORKS: No report

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis reported that Chief Quant could not make the meeting but he wanted everyone to know that the Holiday Party at the School went well and he wished everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year. Chief Regeling could not make the meeting. Chief Clearly thanked everyone for their support and have a Happy and Healthy New Year.

FINANCE/SEWER: No report

NEW BUSINESS:

None

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Kim Soto, 23 Halsey Avenue – asked about the sewers and Mayor Carelli responded that we are still working out the details on the Easement's. There is a little more work because four of the Homeowners have a litany of concerns.

Lisa Ferrara, 115 Newbury Place – anything on the Pilot program and Mayor Carelli responded that we don't have anything for that in the works right now. Has an advertisement been put out for summer recreation and the mayor responded no. We will be advertising for someone to run the summer camp and be there every day. Setting up the camp is underway with what the programs are going to be and that's going to be done out of the front office. She asked what kind of acquisition properties and the mayor responded sometimes towns want to purchase a property for open space purposes there are grants for that.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk