

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

September 25, 2024

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini
Absent: Purcell
(5 ayes, 0 nays – 1 Absent - 0 Abstain - motion carried)**

SWEARING IN OF POLICE OFFICER

Chief Quant introduced the newest member on the Police Department Connor Reap. Connor Reap was sworn in by Mayor Carelli.

Council Desai set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to approve the following resolution:

129-2024: AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF CONNOR REAP AS A PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER IN THE RIVERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini
Absent: Purcell
(5 ayes, 0 nays – 1 Absent - 0 Abstain - motion carried)**

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OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS:

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

ALL IN FAVOR

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

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

126-2024: AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DARMOFALSKI ENGINEERING FOR PROVIDING DESIGN, BIDDING, AND GRANT COORDINATION FOR THE WINDBEAM SECTION ROAD IMPROVEMENTS FOR A FEE OF \$45,000 AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A FEE OF \$60,000 FOR A TOTAL OF \$105,000 FOR THE NJDOT 2023 GRANT

127-2024: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH OCTOBER 9, 2024 FOR 2023/2024 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$134,030.20

128-2024: RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR DOUMA ASSOCIATES, 40 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ Block 6, Lot 14

Councilman Pellegrini abstained from Resolution 128-2024

130-2024: RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJS 40A:4-87 - CHAPTER 159 - "COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN GRANT"

131-2024: RESOLUTION DETERMINING AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ. (Block 26, Lot 21.01 79 Newark Pompton Turnpike)

132-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF DENNIS JARENSKY TO THE POSITION OF DPW UTILITYPERSON - GRADE C IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 15, 2024

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

COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 57 -A THROUGH I

MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Carell reported that next Tuesday, October 11th is Fright Night down at the park and it's always a fun night for the kids. At last meeting we approved the next Phase V sewer job. He has reached out to Bill Ryden to tell him to get a pre-construction meeting set up ASAP.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: No report.

UTILITIES: No report.

PUBLIC WORKS: Council President Pellegrini reported everything is going well. We hired a new DPW guy who will be starting soon.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis reported that the 5 Town Dial-A-Ride made a presentation at the seniors meeting and explained all their services to the seniors.

FINANCE/SEWER: Councilman Desai reported that he attended WEFTEC which is the Water and Waste Water conference. This year was New Orleans and we had a mission and one was the Riverdale Interceptor is starting to show signs of deterioration so the Authority likes to get in front of it and see if there are ways to maybe prolong it. There are two different processes and one is a spray lining and another was a new technology called spiral lining. The reason we focused on those is they are quick and they are the least invasive. The road doesn't need to be cut and you can go manhole to manhole. We received a lot of information and we have turned it over to the Authority Engineer who will be in contact with them. If we can keep the cost down overall for the Authority then the cost goes down for Riverdale.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Update on the Morris County Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Activity 510 of the Community Rating System (CRS) Rating Program NFIP CID #340359 Borough of Riverdale, Morris County, New Jersey
(Report distributed to the Governing Body)

Mayor Carelli reported that this is something that the Engineer has to do every year and we need to acknowledge that we have received it, which we all have. It has been put on the agenda so we can memorialize that we talked about it.

Councilman Desai attended a seminar called Storm parks and it was basically how cities handle the increasing rain events instead of just having catch basins they turn them into parks. It's basically a hole in the ground and they have series of bridges. They showed areas that use to flood and they put them in.

Mayor Carelli reported that Councilman Revis brought up about the issue with the Grande gate and when there was a representative from the Grande last year and basically, we were going to let them know what are policy is and I just need to write a letter saying this is what we are going to do. Its an emergency exit and we will determine when it's an emergency.

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report

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:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:07PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk