

December 11, 2024

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

November 25, 2024

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

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

ALL IN FAVOR

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

- 148-2024: APPROVING A TOW OPERATOR'S LICENSE TO MALANGA'S AUTOMOTIVE, INC. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 154 OF CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE
- 149-2024: RESCINDING APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 1433-33-002-002 FOR THE TERM 2023-2024 TERM
- 150-2024: RESCINDING APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 1433-33-002-002 FOR THE TERM 2024-2025 TERM
- 151-2024: RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR WILLIAM BOWERSOX, 90 Newark Pompton Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ Block 29, Lot 19
- 152-2024: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH DECEMBER 11, 2024 FOR 2023/2024 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$ \$150,617.97
- 153-2024: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF BENJAMIN QIRA TO THE POSITION OF DPW UTILITYPERSON – GRADE C IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 16, 2024
- 154-2024: AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT REQUEST #5 FOR THE NEWARK POMPTON TURNPIKE AND COTLUSS ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO AMERICAN ASPHALT & TRUCKING, LLC, 818 SUMMER AVE FLOOR 1, NEWARK, NJ 07104 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,898.84

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

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MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Carell reported that he will be meeting with the Court on Monday to go over their budget for 2025. We do need to update our Shared Service Agreement with Butler. He has given Chief Regeling their current budget status and if you have any questions let him know. He also gave Chief Quant his budget status. He will be distributing the capital request so everyone can take a look and he hopes in January to introduce a new capital ordinance three year plan. We will also do a new salary ordinance to update ranges for each position. For the past three weeks he has been talking to mayor's in surrounding towns and a lot of the questions that have popped up "do you see drones in your town" and that has escalated over the past few weeks. We have sent a letter to the Governor and that letter went out on Sunday night. He has gotten a lot of visibility in the News. The Governor called for a special briefing and we were invited to that this morning. You may see the results on the news tonight but they were unable to offer any answers. The Governor was not there and it was run by the Colonel for the State Police. They basically said they don't know where they are coming from and they don't know what they are. The last meeting of the year will be on December 30th it's a Monday. The first meeting in January which is January 8th will be our Re-organizational meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: No report.

COMMUNICATIONS: Councilman Purcell reported that the library is asking for the status of the elevator and the roof. He understands that the elevator is fixed but future parts will not be available. The mayor responded that we may add that to the capital budget along with the roof. Mayor responded that Linda Anders will be leaving her position after 25 years and he would like to do something for her.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis wished everyone a Happy Holiday.

FINANCE/SEWER: No report.

OLD BUSINESS:

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report

The mayor wished everyone a nice Holiday and reminded the Council that there will be a luncheon and to check with 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.

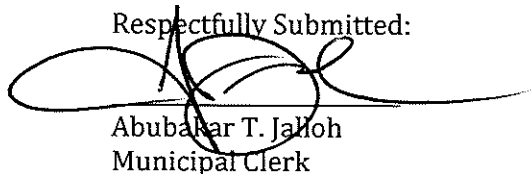
ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:07PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Abubakar T. Ja'loh
Municipal Clerk