

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

December 30, 2024

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Kheyfets, Revis, Pellegrini  
Abstain: Purcell  
Absent: Desai, Oswald  
(3 ayes, 0 nays - 2 Absent - 1 Abstain - motion carried)**

January 8, 2025

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Kheyfets, Purcell, Pellegrini  
Absent: Desai, Oswald  
Abstain: Revis  
(3 ayes, 0 nays - 2 Absent - 1 Abstain - motion carried)**

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

- 1) Councilman Purcell set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Revis, to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

**ORDINANCE 01-2025**

ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES OR WAGES OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS

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

**COPY OF ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 9-A**

- 1) Councilman Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Purcell to introduce the following ordinance and moved its adoption.

**ORDINANCE 02-2025**

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 164 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND AMENDING WATER RATES

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

**COPY OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 10-A**

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

- 44-2025:** APPROVING A PLACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER OF THE PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE IDENTIFIED AS RIVERDALE WINE & SPIRITS, LLC. T/A HOME WINE AND LIQUORS LOCATED AT 92 ROUTE 23, RIVERDALE, NJ
- 45-2025:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXTENSION TO THE INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND BOROUGH OF BUTLER FOR THE CONSOLIDATION OF THEIR MUNICIPAL COURTS FOR A 3-YEAR TERM
- 46-2025:** RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR William J. Cooper, Sr., 63 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ Block 15, Lot 9.01
- 47-2025:** MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR
- 48-2025:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF RAYMOND VECCHIARELLI-MACCONCHIE TO THE POSITION OF DPW UTILITYPERSON – GRADE C IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 3, 2025
- 49-2025:** RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BOROUGH'S FAIR SHARE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION FOR THE FOURTH ROUND
- 50-2025:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT FOR PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025
- 51-2025:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT REQUEST #2 FOR THE PHASE 5 SEWER PROJECT ON MEAD AVENUE, ARLINGTON PLACE AND HAYCOCK AVENUE TO KULPESKA LAND IMPROVEMENT, 248 FRANKLIN AVENUE, ROCKAWAY, NJ 07886 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,525.67
- 52-2025:** AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JANUARY 22, 2025 FOR 2024-2025 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,295,122.74

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

**COPY OF BILLS LIST AND RESOLUTIONS IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 10 -A THROUGH I**

**MAYOR REPORT:** Mayor Carelli reported that they are making progress on Phase 5 Sewer work. The contractor is at the intersection of Arlington and Mead which was the biggest part of the project. We have secured our date for Riverdale Day in September. We received a letter from the Habitat people and we are trying to move along with the project. Tomorrow he will be meeting them at the building because Habitat has a contractor to look at the building to give them an estimate on a demo. Tomorrow the Redevelopment Committee will be meeting with the Quarry and they will be giving us an update. The next step after that they will be coming to the Council.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PERSONNEL:** No report.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** No report

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Council President reported that our DPW has a whole staff again.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis asked Chief Quant if he had anything to report. Chief Quant said the DPW did a good job constructing our gun locker it probably would have cost \$12,000 and he appreciates their time in helping us. Councilman Revis reported that Chief Regeling was stuck at his regular job due to the weather conditions.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 7:59PM

  
A.J. Jalloh, Borough Clerk