

April 23, 2025

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

April 9, 2025

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

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

PRESENTATION:

- Police Awards – presented by Chief Charles Quant

Exceptional Duty Award – Patrolman Norlander
Meritorious Service Award – Sgt. Parrill and Patrolman Pollack
Lifesaving Award – Patrolman Reilly and Patrolman Pollack
Meritorious Service Award – Sgt. Duffy, Patrolman Pollack and the Riverdale Fire Department

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.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

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

97-2025: AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY SUPPLY SERVICES

98-2025: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH APRIL 23, 2025 FOR 2024-2025 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,164,622.18

99-2025: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT REQUEST #5 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 \$162,665.54

100-2025: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT REQUEST #1 FOR THE WINDBEAM SECTION ROAD IMPROVEMENTS TO NEW PRINCE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC., 215 ELLEEN TERRACE, HACKENSACK, NJ 07601-3116 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$88,396.00

101-2025: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER (1) FOR ADDITIONAL INSPECTION RELATED SERVICES FOR THE PHASE 5 SEWER PROJECT ON HAYCOCK AVENUE, MEAD AVENUE & ARLINGTON PLACE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,408.00 - NEW TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$77,408.00

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Desai, Kheyfets, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini
Absent: None
(6 ayes – 0 nays – 0 Absent - motion carried)

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MAYOR REPORT: Mayor Carell reported that we had authorized an application for the Morris County Preservation Grant for the GlenBurn House. We will be addressing the roof, the siding, the country store and some work on the Barn. The grant request is \$32,000 and the Borough would have to contribute \$8,000 towards that for a total of \$40,000. The Morris County Historical Board will be out for a site visit on May 19th. There is a presentation that has to be made to them on Monday, June 2nd it's a fifteen minute presentation and Caroline Masone has agreed to do the presentation. Secondly, Councilman Kheyfets and himself met with Roger and Gary Mahan yesterday and they wanted to go over some things with the project at the Quarry Site. They want to modify the reclamation plan. We will be hiring three new employees he will memorialize that at the next meeting. The Chief has a new officer, DPW a new Laborer and we will be extending an offer to him. The Recreation Director and himself interviewed a Summer Camp Director and we will be extending an offer to her. We are up to thirty-four campers and the price will remain the same as last year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: No report

UTILITIES: Councilman Oswald reported that the season is going on at the field. Pompton Lakes is closing down their turf field for the building of the stands over at Lakeside. They will be asking us if they can use the fields on every other weekend. The mayor responded that at the Easter Egg Hunt he had two people tell him how great the fields look.

COMMUNICATIONS: Councilman Purcell asked about Riverdale Day and the fireworks would the 13th or the 27th work. The mayor responded he is still waiting on the Army as to which weekend we can use the lot for the Carnival.

PUBLIC WORKS: Council President Pellegrini reported that the manpower in the DPW is low but the guys are doing a great job.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis reported that the Chief Regeling mentioned that the Spaghetti dinner is this Saturday from 4:30pm – 7:30pm at the Firehouse. The price is very reasonable \$12 for adults and \$10 for Seniors and \$8 for children.

FINANCE/SEWER: No report

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:
None

BOROUGH CLERK REPORT: No report

BOROUGH ATTORNEY REPORT: No report

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Mayor Carell opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Kim Soto, 23 Halsey Avenue, can you put another post on the board that dogs need to be on leashes.

Randy Bush, 27 Halsey Avenue, he knows that they are going into executive session when we will be able to know what happens. The mayor will let him know once they have made a decision.

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

CLOSED SESSION:

At 8:12PM Mayor Carelli announced that Council would go into closed session to discuss Phase 6 Sewer Expansion potential litigation and Liquor License transfer.

Mayor announced that Councilman Desai will not participate in the closed session due to a conflict.

ALL IN FAVOR

Closed session being completed, the meeting returned to public session at 8:40PM

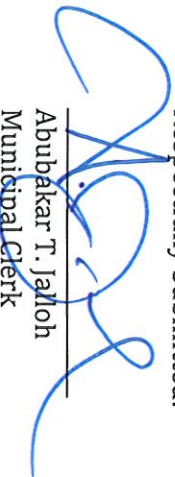
ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:40PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk