

May 28, 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, Pellegrini
Absent: Revis**

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

Mayor Carelli asked for a moment of silence in memory of Councilman Revis's daughter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 14, 2025

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

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

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

- 112-2025: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH MAY 28, 2025 FOR 2024-2025 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$60,722.47
- 113-2025: RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR Lawrence E. Stetler, 48 Mead Avenue, Riverdale, NJ Block 22 Lot 22.01
- 114-2025: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND APPRAISAL SYSTEMS, INC
- 115-2025: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SOLID WASTE CONTRACT WITH BLUE DIAMOND DISPOSAL, INC. UNTIL JUNE 30, 2025
- 116-2025: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH OPTIMUM FOR VOIP TELEPHONE AND FIBER INTERNET SERVICES

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

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MAYOR REPORT:

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Mayor Carell reported that we had a very nice Memorial Day Parade Sam Dedio was our Grand Marshal. He thanked everyone who participated the Fire Department, Police Department, First Aid, a lot of the organizations, Seniors marched and the High School Band was there. It turned out to be a beautiful day and a nice event. We finally received approval from the National Guard to use the parking lot for our Carnival which is confirmed from September 17th – 21st. They have pretty much finished up Windbeam section with the paving and it came out nicely. There is a punch list of items to address and then that will be completed. The contractor for the Phase 5 sewer was told he needs to remove the dirt out of 79 Newark Pompton and he has started doing that. There will be a short executive session on the Phase 6 sewer project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PERSONNEL: No report

UTILITIES: Councilman Oswald reported that they met with the company that we might be purchasing the playground down at the park.

COMMUNICATIONS: Councilman Purcell reported that he sees the firework company is on the bills list. He also said house 2 and 3 on the water situation on Riverview and the gentleman said just looking at the outside pipe on the street side is excessively corroded and he said it looks like it's a different kind of a copper.

PUBLIC WORKS: No report

FINANCE/SEWER: Councilman Desai reported that Council President Pellegrini and himself were at the sewer meeting last week and we are getting together the street liner from the main interceptor through Riverdale. It's a completely non-invasive system. There is no bypass and no trenching.

Mayor Carelli reported that there was a resident at the bottom of the hill on Post Lane and there were some water issues in the spring from all the rain. There was a lot of drainage coming off the Fire Department property and the DPW yard. He authorized Steve and the guys to put in three seepage pits and then built a curve all the way from back by the salt dome all the way to the parking lot and it seems to be working. It is at least keeping our water off of the property. We received a quote for \$35,000 and the guys did it relatively inexpensive. We applied for a grant at the Glenburn to make improvements to the roof and to the siding and there was a tour there. Our architect will be doing a presentation to Morris County so we can try and get this grant. On the planning board last week, we had a business come into town where they want to expand and they are converting the old liquorama it will be leased by the owners of Curly's and half of the building will be used for making ice cream and selling his ice cream cakes and the other side will be leased to someone else. Members of the board did state that they would like safety measures put into that place.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

None

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.

CLOSED SESSION:

At 8:01PM Mayor Carelli announced that Council would go into closed session to discuss Phase 6 Sewer Expansion update.

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 8:16PM

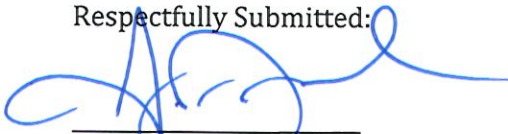
ADJOURNMENT:

Council President Pellegrini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:16PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk