

January 28, 2026

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**  
January 7, 2026

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

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini  
Nays: None  
Absent: Kheyfets, Purcell  
Abstain: None  
(4 ayes, 0 nay – 2 Absent - 0 Abstain - motion carried)**

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

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

**ORDINANCE 01-2026**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND PROVIDING FOR LICENSING AND REGULATION OF MASSAGE, BODYWORK AND SOMATIC THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS.

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini  
Nays: None  
Absent: Kheyfets, Purcell  
(4 ayes – 0 nays – 2 Absent motion carried)**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION:**

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 *Borough Council***

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

- 44-2026:** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO BATTAGLIA ASSOCIATES, LLC FOR FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

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- 45-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF LOSAP FUNDING FOR THE RIVERDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY LOSAP STATUTE AND LOCAL FINANCE NOTICES
- 46-2026: AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A TREATMENT WORKS APPLICATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (PHASE 6 SEWER PROJECT)
- 47-2026: 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
- 48-2026: RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR Timothy May, 45 Mead Avenue, Riverdale, NJ Block 23 Lot 21
- 49-2026: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JOHN GILLOOLY AS TAX ASSESSOR IN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, 2026
- 50-2026: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JANUARY 28, 2026 FOR 2025-2026 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,561,045.52
- 51-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND APPRAISAL SYSTEMS, INC
- 52-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTRY INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE AND PEQUANNOCK TOWNSHIP FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENT SERVICES

**ROLL CALL: Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini**  
**Nays: None**  
**Absent: Kheyfets, Purcell**  
**(4 ayes, 0 nays – 2 Absent – 0 Abstain – motion carried)**

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<b>RESOLUTIONS – For Discussion</b>	<i>Borough Council</i>
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Councilman Desai set forth the motion, seconded by Council President Pellegrini to approve the following resolutions:

- 53-2026: RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF WATER/SEWER UTILITY BONDS, SERIES 2026, OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING \$6,514,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT
- 54-2026: RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF \$6,514,000 WATER/SEWER UTILITY BONDS, SERIES 2026, OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION:**

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Revis, Pellegrini  
 Nays: None  
 Absent: Kheyfets, Purcell  
 (4 ayes, 0 nays – 2 Absent – 0 Abstain – motion carried)

**COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 10 J – K**

**MAYOR REPORT**

*Mayor Paul M. Carelli*

Mayor Carelli reported that our Tax Assessor has resigned and the mayor passed out a resume from Jason Laliker currently the Tax Assessor in Pequannock. He comes highly recommended by the Administrator in Pequannock Adam Brewer as well as our Borough Attorney Bob who has worked with him. If everyone is in agreement, he would like to put it on at the next meeting to appoint him. Our Fire Official has resigned and he had a meeting and Mark Lime, who is currently our Property Maintenance person, who also has the qualifications as a Fire Official. In the interim Mark has been handling that task for us. Bill Revis recommended Ron Fasaro he was a Fire Official in Bloomfield for many years and he is also a Fire Inspector. He retired from Bloomfield and he is interested in this position. The mayor advertised for a Recreation Director and we received a couple resumes so far. We had a meeting with our Borough Engineer and myself and we met over at the Riverdale School they had submitted some site improvement plans that they wanted the Planning Board to review. They are making some site improvements at the school and one of which is basically putting a new road in front of the school with a driveway that is positioned from the front walk to Newbury Place that comes in and exits at Oak Street. The mayor was a little concerned and he wanted the Engineer to take a look at it give his opinion as well. Chief Quant was at the meeting too and they are more familiar with the daily goings on at the school. Tom things there is a better way to do it and one of the things he brought up there is a lot of new Stormwater regulations that are required. Discussion Ensued.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Borough Council*

*Council Committees reports and updates since the last meeting*

**UTILITIES:** Councilman Oswald reported that they are starting to get letters from the Soccer association and the organizations that rent out the softball field for camps and Pompton Lakes High School will be back and hopefully the county game will be there.

**PUBLIC WORKS:** Council President reported that the DPW did a fantastic job with the storm there was no equipment breakdowns and no manpower breakdowns.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Councilman Revis thanked the mayor for getting the two Board of Health resolutions on the agenda. Also, the Dial-A-Ride numbers in Riverdale have increased by 400 trips this year compared to last year. Nothing from Chief Regeling or chief Quant.

Mayor reported that at the next meeting we will be swearing in the Chief and the new Assistant Chief and the other officers. Also, the state will be coming to recognize Jim Regeling, Sr. for 50 years of service. The mayor talked about putting a plaque up for him. Also, Paul Purcell put together a prioritization of the veteran banners and we need to start moving on that put out a press release letting people know they can purchase a banner.

**FINANCE/SEWER:** Councilman Desai reported that the elevator in the Community Center apparently is not working again.

The mayor reported that last week there was a lot of talk about the GlenBurn and what was going on and what are they filming. The company was filming in Bloomingdale and they wanted to park their trucks in the lot for two days. We charged \$4000.00 for two days.

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

**ALL IN FAVOR**

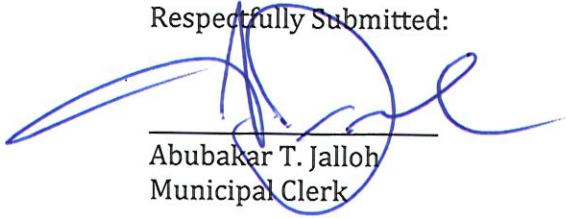
**ADJOURNMENT:**

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

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:27PM

Respectfully Submitted:



Abubakar T. Jalloh  
Municipal Clerk