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, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**
Absent: Kheyfets

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES — *Borough Council*

June 22, 2026

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

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Desai, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**
Nays: None
Absent: Kheyfets
Abstain: Oswald
(4 ayes, 0 nay – 1 Absent - 1 Abstain - motion carried)

AWARDS / RECOGNITION CEREMONY — *Chief Charles J. Quant Jr.*

- Riverdale Police Department – presented by Chief Charles J. Quant Jr.

Chief Quant thanked the Police Department, the dispatchers and Terri Pellegrini for all their hard work.

Chief Quant gave awards to the officers.

Sgt. Duffy – Meritorious Service Award
Patrolman Espinal – Honorable Service Award
Sgt. Hollenstein, Sgt. Salvati, Patrolman Reilly and Patrolman Reap – Life Saving Award.
Sgt. Salvati & Patrolman Felano – Meritorious Service Award

The last award is for Frank Sorgi who will be retiring this year as our Crossing Guard. Frank is 92 years old and is a very important person in our community. A couple years ago he was made an Honorary Police Officer of the Riverdale Police Department. Frank will be receiving an Exemplary Service Award. Frank Sorgi is an asset to this community and has serviced as a role model. Amazing Crossing Guard and a good friend to everyone in this Department. We want to thank him for all that he has done and for all that he will probably continue to do in this Department and in this town.

Mayor Carelli responded that on Friday Summer Camp will conclude an that will be Frank's last day at the crosswalk. We thought it would be fitting that on the corner of Newark Pompton Turnpike and Federal Place were he spent so many hours crossing kids safely across the street to School and to Summer Camp that we recognize him by naming that crosswalk "The Frank Sorgi Crosswalk". The mayor said he is a great person and he will miss him. He wished him luck in his retirement.
The mayor responded that he always enjoys nights like this where we can pay tribute to our fine Riverdale Police Department. You guys do a great job and he always says that you are the best. I can't tell you how many times residents come up to me and tell me what a great job the officers do. He really appreciates that and it's a great reflection on our community. He applauds all of the officers and he thanked them so much for the hard work that they all do.

POLICE PROMOTION — *Mayor / Council*

Councilman Revis set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Oswald to approve the following resolution:

123-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF LIEUTENANT PATRICK HARDEN TO THE POSITION OF POLICE CAPTAIN FOR THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE EFFECTIVE JULY 22, 2026

- Swearing In –Captain Patrick Harden

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**
Nays: None
Absent: Kheyfets
(5 ayes, 0 nays – 1 Absent – 0 Abstain – motion carried)

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PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES ***Borough Council***

1) Public Hearing and Adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE 07-2026

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTERS 89 "DOGS" AND 126 "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE

The Municipal Clerk read the notice for the second reading and final adoption.

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

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

ALL IN FAVOR

Councilman Oswald set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Desai,

RESOLVED that Ordinance No. 07-2026 as read on second reading at this meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**
Nays: None
Absent: Kheyfets
(5 ayes – 0 nays – 1 Absent - motion carried)

COPY OF ORDINANCE IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 47-B

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTION:

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

67 Rock Creek Terrace, had a question on Resolution 128-2026. Tax Bills were mailed and the extension to pay is August 11th.

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

ALL IN FAVOR

RESOLUTIONS - CONSENT AGENDA ***Borough Council***

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

124-2026 RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR A SEWER CONNECTION FOR Anthony Marino, 29 Greenwich Street, Riverdale, NJ Block 14 Lot 3

125-2026: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUING OF CANVASSER AND/OR SOLICITOR PERMIT. APPLICANT AND APPLICATION HAVE BEEN APPROVED BY THE APPROPRIATE MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENTS – Steven Cali, SOLICITING ON BEHALF OF Green Star Exteriors, 629 Montrose Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ

126-2026: BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE HEREBY APPROVES THE APPLICATION FROM MD NURUL ISLAM FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE RIVERDALE FIRE DEPARTMENT

127-2026: AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JULY 22, 2026 FOR 2025-2026 BILLS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $1,435,445.10

128-2026: RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE DATE THIRD QUARTER TAX BILLS ARE DUE

129-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUNDS, OVERPAYMENTS OR CANCELLATIONS IN THE TAX OFFICE

130-2026: RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE GOVERNING BODY HAS REVIEWED, AT A MINIMUM, THE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH IN THE 2025 ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT

131-2026: RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN PREPARED BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IN RESPONSE TO THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE 2025 AUDIT REPORT

132-2026; AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT TO TERMS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC, 599 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, BERKELEY HEIGHTS, NEW JERSEY 07922 TO PERFORM A FOLLOW UP TO THE PHASE II INVESTIGATION OF THE GROUNDWATER FOR SITE REMEDIATION FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 56 POST LANE (Block 19 – Lot 4)

133-2026: APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF INACTIVE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE OLD POWDER HORN MILL, LLC FOR THE 2026/2027 LICENSE YEAR

134-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY PUMP REPAIRS ON FIRE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE ENGINE #32 TO FIRE AND SAFETY SERVICES, 200 RYAN STREET, SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07080 IN THE AMOUNT OF $20,612.30

135-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ROOFING INNOVATIONS LLC FOR THE BOROUGH SALT DOME AND RIVERDALE ROAD PUMP STATION ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECTS FOR AN AMOUNT OF $23,508.80

ROLL CALL: **Ayes: Desai, Oswald, Purcell, Revis, Pellegrini**
Nays: None
Absent: Kheyfets
(5 ayes, 0 nays – 1 Absent – 0 Abstain – motion carried)

COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 48 A-L

RESOLUTIONS – For Discussion ***Borough Council***

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

136-2026: RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVERDALE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR AN APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF $90,000 PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 TO PROVIDE FOR ACQUISITION OF A JET-VAC TRUCK FOR THE WATER/SEWER UTILITY

137-2026: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) VACTOR IMPACT COMBINATION SEWER JET AND CATCH BASIN CLEANER (JET-VAC) FROM W.E. TIMMERMANN CO, INC., PO BOX 71, WHITEHOUSE, NJ 08888 UTILIZING SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #101221-VTR FOR AN AMOUNT OF $439,907.25

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

COPY OF RESOLUTION IN FULL ON PAGE NO. 49 M-N

MAYOR REPORT — *Mayor Paul M. Carelli*

Mayor Carelli reported that there was a pre-construction meeting on Monday for Phase 6 Sewer and they will be starting right around September 1st. The Contractor is saying it will take six to eight weeks. He believes the plan is to start in the Cul de sac and work their way up. We received a grant to re-surface Mathews Avenue and he knows that the Engineer has met with all the contractors and this is being done through the Co-Op. Our public works guys are re-furbishing all the catch basins. The mayor made a request to Jersey Central to add a street light on Hemlock Street. He also reached out to Bob Flynn and they are going to replace the pole down at the park. The project on Newark Pompton for the 20 apartments has started. He also had the opportunity to stop in and see the new owner by Wes's which is called Mama Fuego and they are trying to open by the end of August. We finally got confirmation that we have the Armory parking lot for the Carnival. The mayor received an email from Dave Helmer who is head of the Morris County Parks Commission and he wanted to know if we are still interested in the Trail and they have hired North Jersey Trail Association as a consultant and they want to do a study to extend the Morris County Trail from the Pequannock Border to Wanaque. They have authorized the study and he wanted to make sure we were still interested. He asked if there was a place that we could use to start these meetings and the mayor said of course we would be happy to host at our Community Center. They would like to do the first meeting in August.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS — *Borough Council*

UTILITIES: No report.

COMMUNICATIONS: Councilman Purcell reported that we have a lot of events coming up; on August 23rd from 10:00 – 2:00pm is "Touch a Truck" on Dalton Drive by the Pistol Range. PLRSA has soccer registration open for the fall. There is more information on Facebook at both Riverdale and Pompton Lakes. The library has a ton of programs for adults and kids. The Carnival is September 23rd thru September 27th 6:00-10:00pm Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday. On Sunday the time is 1:00 – 7:00pm. Riverdale Day and the 5K is on September 19th with a rain date of September 20th. There will be Fireworks, a band and some food vendors. The mayor responded that the Mahan Group will be sponsoring the fireworks. They would like a banner put up on the stage. Councilman Purcell talked to Michael at Pompton Lakes about the river and that tree is still down across the river and he has contacted the DEP for a permit and they are dragging their feet on it and Pompton cannot go in there and remove it until that permit is approved by the DEP.

PUBLIC WORKS: Council President Pellegrini reported that there was an interview for DPW Laborer and it was pretty far on salary so it's probably not going to work out. · The backup generator for the main Pumping Station broke down so right now we have a temporary backup generator which cost $10,000 for one week.

PUBLIC SAFETY: Councilman Revis reported that Chief Regeling got his two things done with the repairs and a new member of the fire department. Chief Quant had a big day everything on his agenda was approved.

FINANCE/SEWER: Councilman Desai reported on the connector trail and he had a couple of conversations with Tim Alway one of the brothers that own A&A Concrete and he will need to talk to his brother and will get back to him. As far as the Reserve he received a call back from the building manager and they are selling it. There concern is that Corporate is not going to want to do anything with an Easement in the middle of a sale.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Carelli opened the meeting to the public for comments.

67 Rock Creek Terrace, the question is about the Quarry and they are still drilling every day. The mayor responded that the owners of the property have been approved for a 1.2 million square warehouse with a bunch of roadway improvements on Hamburg Turnpike. What they are doing now is basically preparing that property for the warehouse. They have to do 28 underground

storage retention basins for the water. We met with them last week and they said probably at the end of the year they will be done with all that real hard blasting.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

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

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:52PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Abubakar T. Jalloh
Municipal Clerk