

An **ADJOURNED** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 6:30 p m.

Mayor Hughes led The Council and the citizens in attendance in a Salute to the Flag.

Mayor Hughes read a prepared statement that adequate notice of this meeting had been provided to the public as required by statutes.

Present: Mayor Hughes, Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow.

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Municipal Attorney Malyska, Planning And Development Director Zichelli, III, Public Safety Director Byron - Lagatutta and Administrator Assistant Ventola.

The Minutes of The Regular Meeting that was held on December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 were approved as submitted.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none:

( Resolution No. **143** - 15 )

**THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**  
**EXON,** Sheryl L.

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 196 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none. Councilperson Murphy abstained.

( Resolution No. **144** - 15 )

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**  
**MURPHY,** Daniel T.

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 196 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Morrow and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none:

( Resolution No. **145** - 15 )

**CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICER - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**  
**WHEAT,** Irene C. W.

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 197 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none.

( Resolution No. 146 - 15 )

**SHADE TREE COMMISSION - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**

**ELLYSON, Sally R.**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 197 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none.

( Resolution No. 147 - 15 )

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**

**GRAYDON, Amy S.**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 198 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none.

( Resolution No. 148 - 15 )

**SHADE TREE COMMISSION - APPRECIATION OF SERVICE -**

**NAPOLI, James C.**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 198 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. ( Resolution No. 149 - 15 )

**CLAIMS - Approval Of**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 199 )

Mayor Hughes presented his final address to the citizens Of Glen Ridge.

I consider myself to be extremely fortunate to have had the honor and privilege to serve as Mayor of this wonderful community that we all call home. Looking back, I can say that it's been a wonderful experience being Mayor and that the experience has enriched me and my family in many ways. My wife and family love being a part of this community. We have met so many good people and have made so many nice friends here over the last 27 years. Many of those friendships have developed and grown from volunteering and working on various projects in this Town. Volunteer service to this town has really enriched our lives, and I would encourage everyone to get involved and give it a try.

Tonight, I would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you" to the some of the many people with whom I have worked, and I would like to review what I consider to be some of the more important events and accomplishments of the past 8 years.

I want to start tonight by thanking my wife Susan, who has been my constant supporter throughout our life together. She has been so supportive and helpful to me as a Council Person and Mayor. Over the past 15 years of service to the Borough, Susan has shared all my experiences and has been there to provide encouragement, insight and sage advice. She has fielded many late night and weekend calls from residents and never once complained. She helped me to consider sides of issues that I might not have seen without her input. She has suggested

ideas and identified things that could be improved. But she was never critical. She has served as first lady with patience and grace.

To the members of the Borough Council, all of whom I consider friends and colleagues, I would like to say thank you for your support during my term in office. As a community we are so fortunate to have such smart and dedicated people like you who willingly serve without any compensation and without a political agenda. I am so proud of the reputation that Glen Ridge has as a functional governmental body. We come together to deal with the Town's issues with open minds intent on doing what's right for this Community. This is such a great group and whatever has been accomplished in the past 8 years is the result of your efforts as well as mine. We are truly a team and I want to thank each of you personally for your hard work and dedication to the Borough.

I would also like to acknowledge and thank the important contribution all of the other volunteers in this community who have helped me so much over the last 8 years:

Members of The Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad, our library Board, members of the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment, Historic Preservation Committee and Historical Society, the Shade Tree Commission, the Board of Health, the Municipal Alliance Committee, Glen Ridge TV, the Environmental Advisory Committee, members of the Board of Education, and members of our service clubs like the Rotary and Kiwanis, the members of the Glen Ridge Athletic Association and the members of the Women's Club, the Community Fund, and the Men's Forum. To all of these dedicated volunteers, many of whom who are, or have become, personal friends, I say thank you for your service to this community. You all make this community a special place, and without you we could not afford to provide the same level of service to our residents.

At the same time I can't say enough good things about our administration and our administrator, Michael Rohal. Michael is so knowledgeable, so even handed, and so effective as Administrator. He is all about service to this community. He is open and honest, and so willing to do whatever takes to get the job done. The number of hours and effort that he puts into his job is beyond impressive and, in my opinion, he is the gold standard for public service. Michael truly shares equally in whatever good we have accomplished over the past 8 years.

It has been my privilege to work with so many dedicated and capable individuals who work for the Borough. I want to say thank you to all of them who work so hard for me, the council and for the residents of Glen Ridge.

Mike Zichelli, our deputy Administrator, is a key member of this team as is Shelia Byron-Lagatutta, our Police Chief and Director of Public Safety. They work extra hours on nights and weekends, and are on deck whenever there is an emergency. Each of them has demonstrated by their efforts their love and dedication to this Borough.

John Malyska, our Borough Attorney, has been a true friend and wise counselor, and I will continue to count on his experience and advice. His background and input have been important in so many areas: on legal matters, personnel issues, land redevelopment, on strategic matters and day-to day issues, John has always provided thoughtful and sage advice. I cannot think of a more committed or qualified person for his position. I thank you, John for your more than 175 years of service to the Borough.

Bill Bartlett, supervisor of PW and Jim Cowan our Rec Director have both done excellent jobs managing their departments as has Jennifer Brewer, the Director of our Public Library. These people directly interact with our residents and we rely on them to make us look good day in and day out by serving the needs of our residents.

Steve Berry, our Deputy Clerk for the past 43 years, our Judge, Mark Clemente, our former Judge Joe Connolly, our Prosecutor and former Councilperson Eliz Brewster, and our Public Defender Delia Murphy, have all made important contributions to the success of our court which has been annually recognized for its excellence. Our court system is an important institution in our community. We are well-served by all of the members of our court who make a significant impact on the residents of our Borough.

Our Tax Assessor George Librizzi has been an important part of the team and I would like to recognize the important contribution that he made in the last valuation of the Borough's tax base, as well as the transitioning of Mountainside Hospital from a tax exempt organization to a tax paying entity. His skills have contributed to the continued financial stability of the Borough.

I also want to recognize the contributions and thank all of the other members of our administrative staff, and in particular those of Tara Ventola, our Assistant to the Administrator, and Irene Wheat, our CFO who recently retired after 26 years of dedicated service to the Borough.

#### Accomplishments.

When I started my first term 8 years ago, the Town was hit with two serious financial issues: the imposition by the State of a 2% cap on expenditures and the Great Recession. Either one of these developments would have been challenging to deal with, but happening together really caused serious trouble for the Borough.

On the cap side, we had contracts in place that would grow expenses by more than 2%, which meant that our budget was immediately out of balance. The Recession exacerbated our budget problem by causing a significant drop in real-estate values, which resulted in a massive jump in the number of tax appeals, the bulk of which we eventually lost. This put additional pressure on our budget because when the Town loses a tax appeal, it still has to cover the loss of revenue for Essex County and the Board of Education.

The hit to our budget was significant. Our surplus which was usually around \$1M dollars shrank to less than \$50,000 dollars as we used surplus to cover the cost of tax appeals and pay what we owed to the Board of Education and to the County of Essex. For the next several years we were forced to reduce the number of Borough employees and every department had to make reductions in expenditures.

The great recession forced us to conduct a town-wide property revaluation in 2012. This certainly was unexpected as we had imposed a complete town-wide tax revaluation in 2008, during my first year as Mayor. But the number of tax appeals and the potential for further impact on the budget forced our hand. At that time, we were very concerned that the appeal process would lead to an unfair distribution of the tax burden, which was something we felt had to be addressed. Throughout the year that it took to go through the revaluation, the goal of the process was to end up with a result that was fair and equitable, because while no one likes to pay property taxes, we believed tax payers would understand and accept their assessment as long as they felt it was fair. We worked very hard in those days to bring the public into the process. We held a number of information sessions, we kept after the subcontractor who did the revaluation, urging him to meet with residents to explain and discuss their assessment individually. In the end, I believe that most residents were satisfied with the process and the outcome.

The revaluation helped us to solve the major problem that we had with tax appeals. We went from over 100 tax appeals in 2013 to about 15 in 2014, and we won the majority of those appeals. Our budget began to get better from that point on, but it would take several more years for it to fully recover.

In tough times like these, the skills of the Mayor, Council, and Administration are really tested and, on balance, I think we did a heck of a good job in reducing costs in a way that didn't materially affect the level of service that we provided to our residents. In the aftermath of the expenditure cap and the great recession, we maintained our Police department at a level that allowed us to continue round the clock coverage, we actually expanded library hours, we didn't change twice a week garbage pickup, and we maintained our roadways, fields and other infrastructure resources in a state of good repair.

During the first 2 or 3 years, there were a lot of late nights and long meetings, but the effort was worth it. I want to compliment the work that was done by all of the members of the Council, and in particular, that of Stuart Patrick our Finance Chair and incoming Mayor, our Administrator Michael Rohal, our Chief of Police, Sheila Byron-Lagatutta, and all of the department heads, who all worked together to find ways to reduce costs while maintaining our customary high level of service.

The expenditure cap and great recession weren't the only difficult budget issues we had to deal with during that period. In August 2011 Hurricane Irene hit, then a freak snowfall hit in October 2011, and then in 2012 Hurricane Sandy slammed Glen Ridge. All of us were affected by these storms. Power went out for several weeks, residents couldn't get to work, schools were closed and over 100 trees came down or were removed. I even cancelled Halloween two years in a row out of a concern for public safety.

The total cost for these 3 storms was over \$800,000 dollars. But just as we all pulled together to handle the financial impacts of the budget cap and great recession, this administration, and this council, and all our employees pulled together to deal with the aftermath of these powerful and destructive storms. I recall vividly driving in a truck with Mike Zichelli and Michael Rohal during all of these storms as they directed the response efforts of the Borough. Councilperson Art Dawson worked around the clock and got very little sleep during all of these storms. Art worked very closely with our Public Works department overseeing the cleanup effort after the storms. Our ambulance squad, Glen Ridge Police and the Montclair Fire Department all were there throughout these 3 storms providing emergency help and assistance to our residents.

We learned a lot from these storms and we are much better prepared to handle such an event today as a result of what we learned.

- We learned that we had to have better ways to communicate during a storm and afterwards, when power might be out.
- We introduced Nixle, which is a way to send out messages via email, which can be read by smart phones when access to the internet is down at home.
- With the State Police, we created a registry of residents with special requirements who cannot be without power for medical devices.
- We purchased new radios for our police, volunteer ambulance squad, and public works departments so they can all communicate using the same radio channel.
- We installed a new generator here at Town Hall and just recently received a \$150,000 grant for a larger generator to be installed here that will power the entire building, including the library, which we can then open as a warming station during power outages.
- The smaller generator will be moved and installed at town yard so that facility can remain open during power outages.
- We learned that in major storms that we are on our own for the first 24-72 hours and have to rely on our own resources until outside help can arrive.

Looking back, I am very proud of the way our community responded to these 3 storms and I am happy to report that the Town recovered 90% of the costs of these 3 storms from FEMA.

### Shade Tree Commission

In 2010 the Shade Tree Commission was re-established in Glen Ridge. I believed then that trees were an important Town asset that was not being properly managed. At that time, our Public Works Department had primary responsibility for tree maintenance, and there was no real plan for Borough trees other than taking down dead or dying ones and replacing them with whatever we could get for free from the Arbor Society. Most of what we received for free was maple trees, and these were subject to disease and were dying prematurely and at an alarming rate. The decline in tree inventory was made worse by the October, 2011 Snowstorm and Superstorm Sandy which combined cost us over 200 trees.

With the establishment of the Shade Tree Commission, responsibility for the management of our inventory was transferred into the care of a group of properly trained and committed individuals who would devote hundreds of hours to the better care of our trees. Under the guidance of Tim Delorm our first chairperson, and former councilperson Elizabeth Baker, the Shade Tree Commission has taken a complete inventory of all our trees, created a masterplan, overseen the planting of 453 trees in the last 3 years, has set a goal of planting a total of 1000 trees, and has

changed the way we all think about the importance and care of our trees through a well thought-out public outreach program.

I believe that this commission and its efforts will have a lasting impact on our community and will create an enduring legacy. I want to thank the members of the council for their unanimous support for the re-establishment of the commission, and thank all of the current members of the Shade Tree Commission for their leadership, vision and efforts including: Elizabeth Baker, Larry Stauffer, Eric Hanan, Andrew Tedesco, Joan Lisovicz and Mike Zichelli, as well as our arborist, Rich Wolowicz.

#### Expansion of the Historic District

Another important development of the past 8 years was the expansion of the Historic District in town.

I believe that the historic character of our community is one of the key reasons for its desirability as a community to live in. With the expansion of the district, over 90% of the Borough is now included in the district and, as a result, any future development will be subject to review by our HPC, which insures that the essential architectural character of our community will be maintained.

We all benefit from the HPC. In the aftermath of the great recession, the values of our homes in Glen Ridge fell less and recovered faster than most communities in New Jersey and surrounding States. While a number of factors contributed to that success, including the quality of our schools and the commute to NYC, I believe that the essential beauty of our homes and our street scape help to maintain home values.

In my opinion the expansion of the Historic District will contribute greatly to the long-term success of our community, and I am proud that the Council unanimously supported the expansion of the district.

I would like to personally thank the members of the HPC for their dedication and hard-work, and especially the contribution made by the Commission's Chair, Peter Herrigal.

#### Other projects and accomplishments

- Over the past 8 years most if not all of our borough infrastructure has been addressed and improved.
- With the proceeds of the first major bond issue since 1935, we made major improvements to this building, the police department, and the library building.
- We expanded our public Works yard, bringing in-house many of the vehicle maintenance services that we had previously contracted out. We rebuilt the salt shed and purchased a new brine making plant and equipment to apply the brine in advance of a snow storm, which saves us the cost of overtime and reduces the impact of rock salt on our environment and especially on our trees.
- We implemented single stream recycling for the first time and began the Eco Fair in conjunction with the Arts Fair in May.
- We achieved for the first time certification as a sustainable community and we followed that up with recertification as a sustainable community in recognition for our continuing efforts to reduce our community's impact on our environment.
- We established a local assistance board to help us expand health and social services to our residents and we offered for the first time the services of a full-time social worker.
- With the help of our Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad, and in particular, Meredith Barrentine, John Dobbs and Ann Sutton, we took over and revived a transportation service that was previously managed and offered by the Red Cross.

- We installed new water meters throughout town which will help us to better manage that resource and we continued our efforts to eliminate lead pipe connections in town.
- We relined sewers and we paved over 9 miles of roadways using grants from the state of NJ.
- We forced the sale of the Benson Street railroad station and built a pocket park across the street, removing what had been an eyesore in the community for many years.
- We rebuilt Clay field and recently installed new playground equipment there.
- We installed new street lighting on Ridgewood Avenue near the train station addressing a long-standing safety issue there.
- We reconstructed the entrance to the Glen on the southeast corner of Ridgewood Avenue installing a bench, planting trees and extending the wall to make that a welcoming entrance to our Borough.
- We upgraded our community tennis courts and tennis building, we completely rebuilt court #7, the all-weather asphalt court, and we eliminated the traditional operating subsidy for that complex.
- We rebuilt the pool house replacing temporary trailers with permanent buildings that are quite beautiful
- We also refinanced the pool debt taking advantage of historically low interest rates.
- And the pool continues to generate a small surplus every year and continues to operate without tax payer funding.

We dealt annually with the condition of our grass playing fields in town.

Over the course of the past 8 years, we have rebuilt, re-sodded and reseeded all our fields many times. We have spent hundreds of thousands of tax payer dollars in this effort with little lasting effect. However, the impact of the County's synthetic field at Watsessing Park and the construction of a new state-of-the-art, cork topped synthetic field at George Washington Field, , we are, I think, finally turning the corner on the pernicious cycle of reconstruction, overuse, and reconstruction of the grass fields in this Borough. Because we have been able to move many events onto these synthetic fields, we have reduced by over 1/3 the usage on our grass fields, and our grass fields are in the best shape they have been in for many years.

I want to thank the Council for its support as we searched for solutions to the problems caused by the overuse of our fields. We all know that Recreation Chair is the toughest job on the council and the job is made more difficult because we don't have enough field space to handle the demands of our recreation programs and our student athletes. I want to recognize the contributions of our recreation committee chairs: Council Persons Paul Lisovicz, Jeff Theodorou and Dan Murphy.

I would also like to recognize the contribution made by Councilperson David Lefkovits, who represented the Mayor and Council on the Field Advisory Committee, which did important research into the various types of synthetic materials for use in artificial turf fields. I would also recognize and thank all the members of Field Advisory Committee for their work, especially committee chairpersons Joe Auburn and Dr. Sujana Candrashekar.

I would be remiss if I did not also to recognize the fantastic job of managing and scheduling our fields that is done day-in and day-out by our Rec Director, Jim Cowan. He has the patience of a saint and the way he has juggled the schedule to accommodate the needs of our programs has been amazing to me.

I would also like to recognize and thank the County of Essex, and my friend, the County Executive, Joe DiVincenzo, Jr., for allotting us so much time at Watsessing Field, for providing us field space at Brookdale Park, and for contributing \$300,000 towards the construction of the new, cork-topped, state-of-the art synthetic turf field at George Washington Field.

#### Governmental Outreach

One of the important traditions of this Borough is its decision to stay apart from the partisan politics that so defines this county, this State, and this nation. We have benefitted so much from this apolitical tradition. All of us in Glen Ridge government run as independents, and, as a result, we are able to deliberate free from party politics. However, we are not an island and we need the support of our neighboring communities, from the County of Essex and from the State of New Jersey. Thus we have to participate to some extent in the larger political process, which is something that we had not done systematically in the past.

Over the past 8 years, with the support of the Council, I have reached out to our neighbors in Montclair and Bloomfield to create numerous mutually-beneficial interlocal opportunities for shared services. Over the past 8 years, these interlocal agreements have saved the Borough several millions of dollars in costs and have added many important services that we could not ourselves have provided due the size of our community. This initiative I believe should be continued in the future for it provides us with so many benefits at relatively low cost. Bloomfield sweeps our streets and provides us access to its health services unit, which provides important services to our residents. Montclair's fire department provides a key service and remains one of the largest interlocal agreements in the State. Montclair's water department maintains our infrastructure and we now share snow removal and brine manufacture and distribution equipment and facilities.

The relationship that we have with Township of Montclair and with Essex County led to the shared reconstruction of George Washington field, which has had such a positive impact on our field management program. The total cost of the field was shared 3 ways and usage is split between Glen Ridge and Montclair. Under the leadership of Council Person Ann Marie Morrow, we are now working closely with Montclair on the redevelopment of the site occupied by the Mountainside Hospital School of Nursing with our planning boards holding joint meetings to ensure that the redevelopment plan meets the needs of the residents of both communities.

We attend regular planning meetings with the County Executive and he has been instrumental in helping us to maintain the infrastructure in the Borough. Ridgewood Avenue was paved from Bay Street to Watchung Avenue and the County recently contributed 50 trees to our 1000 tree effort. I would like to recognize Jackie Yustein, a long-time resident of this town, a former Glen Ridge Councilperson, and employee of the County of Essex, who attends virtually every one of our meetings. Jackie has significantly enhanced our communication with Essex County. She has set up meetings for us, made calls on our behalf, and generally helped us to make our needs known at all levels in the County administration. I can't thank her enough for her sincere interest and support.

We have developed important relationships with our State Assembly representatives and with our State Senators. Ralph Caputo and Ronald Rice were very helpful during the 3 storms that hit our Borough. Assembly person Caputo intervened with PSEG on our behalf during Super Storm Sandy and we attended many meetings in his office in the aftermath of that storm with the goal of keeping our residents informed and restoring power as quickly as possible. Senator Rice personally intervened with NJ Transit during the storm and got me on the phone with New Jersey Transits' director to clarify when train service would be restored to the Borough.

These governmental relationships have a powerful impact on our community, and while we must maintain our independence from party politics, we have to participate in the governmental process to make sure that our communities needs are known and met. I hope that this new political involvement at all levels of government will continue and prove to be beneficial to our community in the years to come.

Before I close remarks, there are a couple of important issues that we will have to deal with as a community going forward.



High property tax remains a fundamental issue for this community. We all knew when we bought homes here that property taxes were high. But we believed that there was a value to living in a historic community with top schools, an easy commute to NYC, and a beautiful streetscape. To be successful long-term, we must maintain that value calculation that people make when they decide to move into Glen Ridge. To do that we have to keep the rate of tax increases at an absolute minimum, and we have to make sure that all of our departments and union contracts operate at a cost that is sustainable long-term.

We have to look for new interlocal opportunities in the future, but at the same time we have to be careful that we identify and preserve the institutions that are essential to the make-up of our community. In my opinion, we need to maintain our police and public works departments. We need to maintain our library and our schools. We need to preserve our transportation network and our connectivity with NYC. We need to have our own court and public administration. While we can look for interlocal opportunities to reduce costs and increase service levels in all of these areas, we need to make sure that we don't interlocal ourselves out of business.

We need to oppose any effort to consolidate our community, because we know that bigger is not always better, and we have proven that small government can be more efficient and cost effective than larger governmental entities.

To be successful long-term, we have to preserve our historic heritage, we have to maintain our infrastructure, and we have to provide a high level of services to our residents. The contributions that are made by the volunteers who serve on our planning board and board of adjustment and our Historic Preservation Committee are critical to maintaining the character of our community. So too are the contributions of our Volunteer ambulance squad, and the volunteers who serve on library board, Kiwanis, Rotary, and Women's Clubs, the community Fund, the GRAA, and Home and School associations, and the contributions of all of the other service organizations who volunteer in this community. These groups raise the level of services to this community while lowering the cost to provide these same services. That's how we win the value calculation that homeowners make when they decide where to buy a home and how we can remain an independent and thriving community in the future.

I thank you all for your time and for your support these past 8 years. It has been my honor to serve as your mayor and now I will adjourn the meeting.

With no further business to come before this Council, Mayor Hughes entertained the following Motion.

It was moved by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz that this meeting be adjourned **SINE DIE**. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilperson Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned and he announced that The Council will reconvene immediately following the **SWEARING - IN CEREMONY**.

The Council adjourned at 7:08 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

Michael J. Rohal,  
Municipal Clerk