

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 8th, 2010 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 7:30 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 Seyffarth, Patrick, Provost, Dawson, Lisovicz and Baker.

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance; Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Director Magnier.

The Minutes Of The Regular Meeting that was held on February 22nd, 2010 were approved as submitted.

The Minutes of the Executive Meeting that was held on February 22nd, 2010 were approved as submitted.

Administrator Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Wolfgang Skacel, Acting Commissioner, Department Of Environmental Protection, advising that an inspection of the municipal facility determined that Glen Ridge is eligible for recognition under the new Environmental Stewardship initiative and recognizing the voluntary and proactive measures taken in an effort to improve the environment. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Kathy M. Gilchrist of 926 Bloomfield Avenue, Glen Ridge, voicing her appreciation for the replacement of the curbing and lights on Freeman Parkway. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Nicholas R. Homyak of 204 Hillside Avenue, Glen Ridge, voicing his concerns regarding the litter being left behind by the work crews on recycling days. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Administrator Rohal reported that the concerns of Mr. Homyak are being addressed.

Mayor Hughes asked anyone that may have concerns about recycling to please advise Administrator Rohal or the Mayor And Council.

Jacqueline S. Yustein, Essex County Liaison to County Executive DiVincenzo, brought greeting from the County Exec and she advised everyone of the annual Cherry Blossom Charity Run on April 11th, a photography demonstration on April 17th, a Japanese demonstration and balloon demonstration on April 18th, 2010.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, reported that in his opinion the new garbage / recycling contractor is doing a fantastic job and he reported that the Glen Ridge Public Works crews are doing a great job with road repairs.

Mayor Hughes reported that work on the restoration of Hurrell Field began today thanks to a break in the bad weather. Mayor Hughes stated that they have begun to open the drains and check the soil and it is hoped that the repairs will be completed before the high school baseball season begins.

Councilwoman Seyffarth, Chairperson of The Finance And Administration Committee, reported that the Finance Committee will meet on March 15th for the purpose of receiving departmental budgets for the year 2010. The public is invited to attend. Councilwoman Seyffarth reported that the Committee hopes to submit the 2010 Municipal Budget by the end of March.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Provost, Dawson, Lisovicz and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **51** - 10)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 134)

Councilwoman Provost, Chairwoman of The Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee, reported that the Committee will meet on March 22nd at 5:30 p. m. prior to the next Regular Council Meeting. Councilwoman Provost invited any resident who may be interested in serving as a volunteer on any of the Borough's Committees to check the Borough website for information and to submit an application to become a member of a Committee, i.e. Municipal Alliance Committee, Planning Board, Zoning Board, etc.

Mayor Hughes reported that all Committee meetings are open to the public. The meeting begin at 5:30 and end at 6:30 p. m. Information on what Committee is meeting can be found on the Borough website.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the bricks have all been removed from the back of the Municipal Building and transported to the town yard. Councilman Dawson also reported that the new replacement brick have been received and are being stored at the town yard.

Councilman Dawson reported that the Borough lost two trees during the last snow storm but there was minimal damage to property.

Mayor Hughes stated that he is very proud of the work done by the Public Works Crews.

Councilman Dawson reminded all residents to clean the snow from the hydrants in front of their homes after a snow storm.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Provost, Dawson, Lisovicz and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 52 - 10)

PARKING - MUNICIPAL BUILDING - MARINI BROTHER

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 135)

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that the Mayor And Council has withheld the \$ 250,000. bond from the Hurrell Field restoration project.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that spring maintenance on the Borough fields has begun and that Glenfield Park will be available to the Borough's little league teams.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that Essex County has awarded a bid to place artificial turf on a portion of Watsessing Park. The turf field will be used for boys and girls lacrosse and soccer teams.

Councilwoman Baker, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, acknowledged the volunteer efforts of the members of the Caring Community Alliance and especially Kate Patrick for their efforts in addressing recent Borough issues.

Councilwoman Baker also acknowledged the volunteer efforts of Bruce Roddy during a recent snow storm. Councilwoman Baker stated that neighbor helping neighbor when a crises arises is what helps make this Borough a great place to live.

Administrator Rohal reported that information can be found on the Borough's website regarding New Jersey Transit hearings pertaining to their new Fair Policy and Service level changes. Public Hearings will be held in Morristown, Paterson and Newark.

Public Safety Director Magnier announced that permits can be obtained on the Borough's website for parking dumpsters on the street.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Provost, Dawson, Lisovicz and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 53 - 10)

FIELD MAINTENCE - REJECTING BIDS

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 135)

Mrs. Eleanor Proto of 92 Glen Ridge Avenue, Glen Ridge, voiced her concerns, once again, regarding the on-going problems with Glenmont Square shopping mall, i.e., truck noise, night time deliveries, cooking smells, lack of response from Police and Health Departments, Montclair authorities. Mrs. Proto questioned why the developer has not been held accountable for not following plans submitted to the Montclair Zoning Board. Mrs. Proto stated that these are the same problems that existed a year ago and they are getting worse.

Public Safety Director Magnier reported that the Police Department is responding to complaints but that there have been no summonses issued thus far.

Administrator Rohal reported that he is scheduled to meet with the new Montclair Town Manager and one of the topics of discussion will be Glenmont Square.

Councilman Lisovicz stated that this on-going matter must be dealt with great importance and a resolution must be made over the issue of multi-jurisdiction. Councilman Lisovicz also stated that the developer must be held accountable.

Administrator Rohal stated that there must be enforcement of after hour deliveries and explained the provisions in Both Glen Ridge's & Montclair's planning boards resolutions which limits the hours for deliveries.

Attorney Malyska stated that he has been in contact with Montclair's attorney and it was decided that a shared service agreement would be the best way to establish mutual police enforcement at the site.

Councilwoman Baker stated that the developer must be forced to install a higher fence that abuts Glen Ridge properties.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Provost, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Provost, Dawson, Lisovicz and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 54 - 10)

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 135)

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:27 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk