A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 9th, 2015 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 Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow.

Absent: Councilperson Lisovicz.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska, Police Chief Byron – Lagattuta and Planning And Development Director Zichelli, III.

The Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, February 23rd, 2015 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A notice to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Essex County approving a grant award from the Governor’s Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for our Municipal Alliance program in the amount of $38,850.00. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Administrator Rohal reported he has received a draft interlocal agreement between the Borough of Glen Ridge and The Township of Bloomfield for five (5) years of Animal Control Services. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A notice to Administrator Rohal from The Borough of Caldwell with a copy of Resolution 2-65 titled Resolution of Support for Towns Impacted by the Pilgrim Pipeline. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Clean Ocean Action inviting volunteers to participate in this year’s Annual Spring Beach Cleanup on Saturday, April 25, 2015. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes opened the meeting for comments of the public. Jacqueline S. Yustein of 326 Washington Street, Glen Ridge and Essex County liaison to Essex County Executive DiVincenzo, complemented the efforts of the Department of Public Works for snow removal. Councilman Dawson reported the Borough had recently received a salt delivery of 75 tons. Ms. Yustein also reported that the county had a supply of salt rationed if any towns were in need of salt.

Administrator Rohal noted that Jacqueline Yustein was very helpful in assisting the Borough in obtaining salt from the County when the Borough’s inventory was running low.
Mayor Hughes reported that due to many winter storms that have hit this year the Borough is currently over budget for snow removal services. Mayor Hughes assured the public that despite this, should another storm hit the Borough snow removal services would not be effected. He stated that The Department of Public Works has spent many hours salting the roads and clearing snow. He reminded residents the own corner properties that a clear path must be shoveled to the corner.

(The following Resolutions (47–15 to 55–15) are a part of the Consent Agenda):

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 47–15)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 130)
(Resolution No. 48–15)

BUDGET ADOPTION - READING BY TITLE ONLY
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 131)
(Resolution No. 49–15)

DEFERRED TAX - AUTHORIZING SURPLUS
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 131)
(Resolution No. 50–15)

ANIMAL CONTROL - BLOOMFIELD - SHARED SERVICES
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 132)
(Resolution No. 51–15)

REAP - AUTHORIZES VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 132)
(Resolution No. 52–15)

J. BHULAI - DEP. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 132)
(Resolution No. 53–15)

RECYCLING GRANT - AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 133)
(Resolution No. 54–15)

MIDDLESEX COOPERATIVE - AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 134 & 134-A)
(Resolution No. 55–15)

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT APPLICATION - AUTHORIZING
(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 – 135)

Ordinance No. 1625 entitled:
AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)
was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Hughes declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Hughes declared the public hearing closed. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. 1625 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported on the ongoing efforts of the Public Works Department this winter. The department has worked for 6 straight weekends and all equipment is in good shape. The Borough has a salt and brine supply on hand and catch basins have been cleared of ice to ensure proper drainage.

Ordinance No. 1626 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE
GRANTS FUNDS FOR VARIOUS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Dawson. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Hughes declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Hughes declared the public hearing closed. It was moved by Councilperson Dawson seconded by Councilperson Murphy that Ordinance No. 1626 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported on the pool house construction. He stated the construction will be finished in time for the pool opening Memorial Day weekend.

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported on the progress of the Mountainside School of Nursing redevelopment. She stated the consultant’s report should be available by mid-April. The report will determine if the area meets the statutory requirements to be determined an area in need of redevelopment. She stated the report will be posted on the Borough website and that public hearings will be held in May to review the reports.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the budget will be introduced at the next regular council meeting on March 23, 2015 and the public
hearing and adoption will be on April 27, 2015 pending the approval of the budget by the Division of Local Government Services.

Police Chief Byron - Lagattuta thanked the council for the appointment of Jason Bhulai as a Deputy Coordinator for the Office of Emergency Management in Glen Ridge.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Michael J. Rohal
Michael J. Rohal, Municipal Clerk