

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 10th, 2014 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, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy.

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta.

The Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Thursday, February 24th, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes Glenn A. Grant, J.A.D., Acting Administrative Director Of The Courts, advising of the States plan to upgrade and improve the information technology systems in the municipal court at no cost to the municipality. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mr. George Statten of 16 Kitchell Avenue, Wharton, N. J., Outreach Director of The New Jersey Highlands Coalition, addressed the Mayor And Council in regards to the 2004 Highlands Water Protection And Planning Act and he asked The Council for a Resolution of support for the Act.

Ms. Sujana Chandrasekhar of 312 Forest Avenue, Glen Ridge and Mr. Joseph Auborn of 254 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, gave The Mayor And Council a brief status report on the Turf Committee discussions, findings and goals. Ms. Chandrasekhar reported that the Committee has determined the need for 4 sub-committees - usage, finance, risk and options. Mr. Auborn stated that the Committee is made up of 13 individuals from various backgrounds and that they hope to have their work completed in the next two or three works so long as the weather cooperates.

Police Chief Byron - Lagattuta called upon Public Works Mechanic, Thomas E. Allin, to present himself before the Mayor And Council for the purpose of being awarded a Crime Prevention Accommodation by the Police Department.

Mayor Hughes proclaimed the month of March as "American Red Cross Month" and he encouraged all Glen Ridge residents to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 49 - 14)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 26)

Ordinance No. 1608 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 had 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 Lisovicz that Ordinance No. 1608 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilperson Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. 1609 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 10 - VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick that Ordinance No. 1609 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilperson Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. 1610 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES FOR
NON-UNION AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AND FIXING THE
2014 MAXIMUM ANNUAL SALARIES AND
OTHER COMPENSATIONS FOR THOSE TITLES**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick that Ordinance No. 1610 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance

to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 50 - 14)

SURPLUS BIKES - ROTARY CLUB - PEDDALS FOR PROGRESS

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 27)

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reported that there has been technical improvements made between Glen Ridge Community Television and Comcast regarding sound quality.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the D. P. W. has received a new supply of "salt" and that they are now ready for any future storms.

Councilman Dawson also announced that the Women's Club will be sponsoring a blood drive on March 12th from 2 to 7 p. m.

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that outside parks and recreation activities have been placed on hold due to the weather and that the County is not issuing any field permits until the weather breaks.

Councilman Theodorou also reported that the commencement of spring maintenance at the pool and tennis court has also been affected by the weather.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that 283 letters have been sent out to residents affected by the proposed expansion of the Historic District to remind them of the meeting in the Council Chamber of March 19th. Councilman Murphy encouraged everyone to attend this meeting.

Borough Administrator Rohal announced that the 2014 Municipal Budget will be introduced by the Mayor And Council at the March 24th Council Meeting and that the Public Hearing on the Budget will be held on April 10th.

Administrator Rohal also announced that Essex County officials will be holding a transportation meeting in Verona on April 1st.

Mayor Hughes reported that after many complaints regarding the lack of garbage collection, particularly in bad weather, and after many conversations with the Borough's garbage contractor the vendor has agreed to rehire the former driver in hopes of alleviating the many complaints.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta thanked the Mayor And Council for supporting the commendation given to Tommy Allin and she reported that the 2013 annual departmental report has been forwarded to Public Safety Committee Chairman Lisovicz and the Mayor And Council for their review.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 51 - 14)

DANGEROUS TREE - 25 WILDWOOD TERRACE

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 27)

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:08 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk