

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 14th, 2016 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 7:30 p m.

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

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

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

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Director Byron - Lagatutta.

It was moved by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Dawson, that the Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, **February 22nd**, 2016 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Patrick And Borough Council from Gregory A. Tramontozzi, Executive Director, Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission, advising of a data entry error that occurred when North Bergen was incorporated into the system in October 2010 resulting in overpayments by the contributing municipalities in the amount of \$ 13,425.91. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from P. S. E. & G. advising that they will be submitting an application for a permit approval to N. J. D. E. P. under the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act. This approval will authorize P. S. E. & G. to conduct regulated activities on the Natural Gas Distribution and Transmission Mains in Public Rights-Of-Way. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mr. Richard E. Kastenmeier of 139 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, discussed the recent traffic survey, line repainting and traffic calming measures of Washington Street.

Administrator Rohal reported that the line painting of Washington Street will take place in early Spring and that the Department Of Transportation regulates the height of the speed bumps. Mr. Rohal also reported that a new traffic survey for the entire length of Washington Street in Glen Ridge will be done shortly.

Mr. Emile C. Geyelin of 23 High Street, Glen Ridge, voiced his opposition to the proposed Vapor Shop at 855 Bloomfield Avenue in Glen Ridge.

Borough Attorney Malyska responded to Mr. Geyelin's questions and concerns. Attorney Malyska reported that any regulating Ordinances

pertaining to this business would be after the adoption of the Ordinance and therefore the business would "grandfathered".

Administrator Rohal reported that construction permits have been applied for at 855 Bloomfield Avenue.

Mrs. Jacqueline S. Yustein of 326 Washington Street, Glen Ridge and Essex County liaison to County Executive DiVincenzo reported that the Essex County is sponsoring the 40th Anniversary Cherry Blossom Festival and some of the Festival Events from April 9th to the 24th.

Ms. Deborah Dine of 6 Laurel Place, Glen Ridge, reported her displeasure with the recently released H2M meaningless traffic study and again asked the Mayor And Council to build a cul-de-sac on the west end of Laurel Place.

Mayor Patrick thanked Councilman Lefkovits, Administrator Rohal and Deputy Administrator Zichelli for all their efforts from March 2nd to date crafting plans in the event of a N. J. Transit strike. (The strike was averted in the 11th hour)

Mayor Patrick commended the Police Department and residents involved in the successful search for a 10 year old middle school student this morning.

Mayor Patrick reported that he has contacted the N. J. Transit Director in regards to the construction project involving the west bound staircase at the Ridgewood Avenue station. It was reported that the project should be finished at the end of April. The reported delay was due to the additional time needed for the demolition phase. Mayor Patrick emphasized the additional safety hazards and precautions that this project presents to our residents.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **49** - 16)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 227)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **50** - 16)

BUDGET TRANSFERS - AUTHORIZING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 228)

Councilperson Hughes reported that he has Ordinance No. **1639** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE
MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A
CAP BANK (N. J. S. A. 40A:4-45.14)**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Hughes. It was moved by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz that Ordinance No. **1639** be passed on first

reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow
voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick referred the Ordinance to
Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and
posting.

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Public Safety Committee,
advised Ms. Dine that the Public Safety Committee will be doing a very
careful review of the M2H traffic study and that there will also be an
independent and comprehensive traffic study done by the Borough.

Administrator Rohal reported that the traffic study will
determine the best times for enforcement.

Councilman Murphy stated that action by the Mayor And Council can
be taken after the hospital project is completed.

Councilwoman Morrow reported that the Planning Board will be
reviewing the plans at their next meeting on March 16th.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded
by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow
voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **51 - 16**)

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE - GRANT APPLICATION

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 229)

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee,
reported that the through our shared service agreement with Bloomfield
all of our streets have been swept and our crews have cleaned out the
catch basins; the road crews have also been removing trees identified
by our Forester for removal; and, the parks crew has been preparing
our fields for spring time play. The focus for the next few weeks
will be getting our parks up and running.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation
Committee, commended the Public Works crews for the great job they did
in preparing the Sherman Avenue Field for Spring play.

Councilman Murphy reported that he has Ordinance no. **1640**
entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS FOR
VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
AND EQUIPMENT**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson
Murphy. It was moved by Councilperson Murphy, seconded by
Councilperson Morrow that Ordinance No. **1640** be passed on first
reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow
voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick referred the Ordinance to
Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and
posting.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Murphy, seconded
by Councilperson Morrow and adopted by an aye and no vote;

Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow
voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 52 - 16)

FIELD MAINTENANCE - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 230)

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, gave a brief recap of the joint meeting regarding the H2M project that was held in Montclair on February 29th. Councilwoman Morrow reported that the meeting was very well attended and that a number of topics were presented for discussion.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the next meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council on March 28th will also be Student Government Day and will also include the 2016 Municipal Budget introduction.

Municipal Clerk Rohal also announced that the May 23rd Council Meeting has been moved to Tuesday, May 24th.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta thanked everyone for their efforts in searching for the missing juvenile earlier today. Chief Byron reported that there were 30 plus volunteers and the emergency management team that participated in the search.

Chief Byron also reported that during the upcoming Spring break at the schools the Police Department will take the opportunity to review all of the reported neighborhood concerns, complaints and comments.

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

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:16 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk