

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 23rd, 2009 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 7:30 p m.

Council President Lisovicz led The Council and the citizens in attendance in a Salute to the Flag.

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

Present: Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz.

Absent: Mayor Hughes and Councilwoman Provost.

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 March 9th, 2009 were approved as submitted.

Administrator Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Nancy Wittenberg, Assistant Commissioner, Department Of Environmental Protection, advising that 10.1 million in state grants for recycling program development has recently been made available to counties by the D. E. P. Council President Lisovicz ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Tavia Danch, Pollution Prevention Coordinator, advising that the 24th Annual Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweeps will be held on Saturday, April 25th and Saturday, October 24th, 2009 at 60 locations along the coast. Council President Lisovicz ordered that the correspondence be filed. Administrator Rohal advised that Glen Ridge is a participating municipality in this event.

A letter sent to Paul Grosso, Right-of-way Engineer at Verizon from the resident of 34 Hawthorne Avenue, Glen Ridge questioning the replacement of landscaping at their residence as a result of possible fiber optic wiring at their residence. Council President Lisovicz ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Shivaun Gaines, Director at Montclair State University, advising that the New Jersey Senate Budget And Appropriation Committee will conduct a public hearing on the Campus on March 24th. This hearing will be for residents to voice their concerns to Governor Corzine's proposed FY2010 N. J. State Budget. Council President Lisovicz ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, addressed the Council on his concerns pertaining to speeding, bushes, landscaping and traffic flow along Baldwin Street and at the Minnie Lucey School.

Council President Lisovicz cautioned Mr. Pignatello about taking his landscaping issues into his own hands.

Council President Lisovicz commended the Department Of Public Works, Assistant Administrator Zichelli, Montclair Fire Department, Montclair Department Of Public Works and the Glen Ridge Public Safety Department on the handling of the major line break that occurred at Mountainside Hospital on March 18th.

Councilwoman Seyffarth, Chairwoman of The Finance And Administration Committee, reported that the Finance Committee will meet at 5:30 p. m. on March 25th to discuss the introduction of the 2009 Municipal Budget and the Council will meet in Special session on Monday, March 30th to introduce the 2009 Municipal Budget.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none:

(Resolution No. 74 - 09)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 35)

Councilperson Patrick reported that he has Ordinance No. 1509 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER
10.16.025 THROUGH STREET AND
STOP INTERSECTION DESIGNATED**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth that Ordinance No. 1509 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none. Council President Lisovicz referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilwoman Seyffarth questioned the proposed 4-way stop at the intersection of Maolis & Hawthorne.

Administrator Rohal stated the intersection did not meet the state's requirement for a multi-way stop when initially adopted by Council. The traffic regulations have changed and the pending ordinance will allow the Borough to seek approval for the four way stop intersection.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works / Utilities Committee, commended the Police response to the Mountainside Hospital crisis last Wednesday and he reported that the Police Department was poised and ready to evacuate the Hospital if it ever became necessary. Councilman Dawson also thanked Assistant Administrator Zichelli for all his efforts Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Councilman Dawson commented on the new carpet in the Council Chamber and the Council desks that have been refinished.

Councilperson Dawson reported that he has Ordinance No. 1510 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE
AMENDMENT OF FEES FOR THE FREEMAN
TENNIS COURTS AMENDING SECTION
12.40.010 OF THE BOROUGH CODE**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Dawson. It was moved by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Patrick that Ordinance No. 1510 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none. Council President Lisovicz referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Dawson reported that court no. 7 at the Freeman Tennis Courts is in reasonably good shape.

Administrator Rohal reported that he met with the manufacturer at Freeman Tennis Courts today and he will be meeting with the firm next week to resolve some of the open issues.

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that there has been dramatic improvements made at the Freeman Tennis Courts over the last 12 months and that work on the interior of the tennis shed, which will include sheet rocking the walls will continue this month, and work on the individual courts, fencing and wind screening have been completed.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none:
(Resolution No. 75 - 09)

BID AWARD - FIELD MAINTENANCE

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 36)

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that two Resolutions will be offered for consideration as part of New Business at this meeting. One Resolution will be for tax appeal stipulations and the other will be for film grant awards.

Administrator Rohal offered his thanks and appreciation on behalf of the Borough to Mr. Zichelli and to the officials from Montclair for all their efforts at Mountainside Hospital.

Council President Lisovicz offered his thanks for Public Safety Director Magnier for his efforts at the Hospital.

Public Safety Director Magnier offered his thanks to Assistant Administrator Zichelli and to the Department Of Public Works for all their assistance at the Hospital.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none:
(Resolution No. 76 - 09)

TAX APPEALS - STIPULATED JUDGEMENTS

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 3)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Baker, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none:
(Resolution No. 77 - 09)

FILM FUND - GRANT AWARDS

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 3)

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge discussed the realignment of parking spaces at the Minnie Lucey School.

Administrator Rohal advised The Council and Mr. Pignatello than any change in parking on the Minnie Lucey School site would come under the purview of the Borough's Planning Board.

Council President Lisovicz also commented on the permit parking system that is in place in the area of Baldwin Street around the Minnie Lucey School.

Councilman Dawson offered his thanks to Mr. Pignatello for all of his volunteer work at the Freeman Gardens.

Council President Lisovicz also offered his thanks to "Mr. Glen Ridge" (Mr. Pignatello).

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Council President Lisovicz voting aye and noes none:
(Resolution No. 78 - 09)

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 36)

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:03 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk