

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 27th, 2017 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 has been provided to the public as required by statutes.

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

Absent: None.

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

It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor 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, **March 13th**, 2017 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye, Lefkovits abstaining, and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from John Wynn, Chair, Montclair Planning Board advising of a Public Hearing on an amendment to the Montclair Land Use and Circulation Element of The Master Plan on March 27th, 2017 in the Montclair Council Chambers. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Joan Codey Durkin, Essex County Tax Administrator, advising that the Essex County Tax Board has adopted a Resolution ordering Glen Ridge to perform a revaluation and requesting Glen Ridge tax maps for initial inspection be sent to the State Of New Jersey. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Patrick from Cheryl H. Burstein, Mayor, Township Of Millburn, and sent to Assemblyman John Burzichelli, urging support of introduced Bill No. 2452, which would create a new category of liquor licenses for certain restaurants and to permit municipalities to issue these restricted liquor licenses regardless of population. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Ms. Lynn Vande Stouwe, of 58 Essex Avenue approached the council to discuss a resolution for Glen Ridge to become a Sanctuary City. She also submitted a petition to the Mayor and council with 501 signatures in support of a sanctuary city resolution.

Mr. Timothy King, of 206 Forest Avenue, approached the council in reference to specific Attorney General Guidelines that may apply to the sanctuary city resolution.

Ms. Lori Jean Moodie, of 86 Oxford Street thanked the council and police department for their commitment to open communication and community policing within the Borough.

Councilor Murphy thanked the petitioners for working hard to bring the sanctuary city resolution forward.

Mayor Patrick explained the next steps for moving forward in drafting a resolution for the council to vote on.

Ms. Marisela Santiago also thanked the council for the dedication and commitment to the sanctuary city resolution.

Mr. Peter Seymour presented the council with a summary prepared by his insurance company access board about the truncated domes and the potential hazard they create for the blind.

Ms. Jennifer Breuer thanked the council for supporting the Glen Ridge Library by awarding them a 2017 Film Fund Grant for their program Selected Shorts. She invited all the members of the council to attend.

The following was introduced by Councilor Hughes, seconded by Councilor Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 52 - 17)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 63)

Ordinance No. 1658 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES
FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF
OF GLEN RIDGE REPRESENTED BY
PBA LOCAL 58 AND FIXING MAXIMUM
SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATIONS
FOR THOSE TITLES**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Patrick declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Patrick declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Murphy that Ordinance No. 1658 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Ordinance No. 1659 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10
OF THE GLEN RIDGE CODE BY AMENDING
THE EXISTING PROVISIONS OF TITLE
10.32.120 (Forest Ave. Dead End)**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Patrick declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Patrick declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded

by Councilor Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1659** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilor Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, thanked the Mayor, Councilors, and members of the public for their support after the passing of his father.

The following was introduced by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **53 - 17**)

FILM GRANTS - AUTHORIZING AWARDS

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 64)

Councilor Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the department has gone through all of the snow removal equipment and repaired it from the last storm and hopefully will not need it until next winter.

Councilor Dawson also reported that the parks crew has been working on getting the fields ready for spring play. Trees that were planted in the last few years are being pruned to ensure that they grow straight and true.

Councilor Dawson announced that a Resolution will be presented this evening to approve the planting of 116 trees which will be planted by the end of May. Gator bags will be installed around the newly planted trees. The Shade Tree Commission has worked closely with the Forester in identifying planting locations. Letters have been sent to all property owners that are to receive a tree. Planting location will be adjusted once the feedback from residents is provided.

The following was introduced by Councilor Dawson, seconded by Councilor Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **54 - 17**)

PLANT DETECTIVES - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 64)

The following was introduced by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **55 - 17**)

TURFSMITH - FIELD MAINTENANCE - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 65)

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

Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 56 - 17)

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS - ADOPTING FEES

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 65)

Councilor Murphy, Chairman of The Parks and Recreation Committee, reported that the weather has set back the opening of the Freeman Tennis Courts this year. He also encouraged all residents interested in signing their children up for summer day camp take advantage of the online registration discount.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that daily online registration will be available at Carteret Park for Summer Day Camp once camp begins as long as space allows. He also reported that Congressman Payne has rescheduled his visit to April 10, 2017, he will be meeting with the councilors during the workshop session, touring the Public Safety Building and Ambulance Squad and attending the council meeting.

Police Chief Byron - Lagattuta reported that the 2016 Annual Reports were distributed to the Mayor and Council late last week and are available on the Borough website and a copy will be provided to the Library. Chief Byron-Lagattuta also reported that Captain Quinn participated in the Essex County Prosecutors Office Fair and Impartial Policing Training which will be implemented throughout the Police Department in 2017 and will be mandatory annual training moving forward.

Councilor Murphy noted all the events and hard work of the Glen Ridge Police Department highlighted in the 2016 Annual Report.

Councilor Hughes noted the passing of former Council Member Myles Sachs, a longtime resident of Glen Ridge with a passion for volunteering and giving back to the town.

Borough Administrator Rohal spoke to the hard work, dedication and character of Mr. Sachs and expressed his sincere condolences.

The following was introduced by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 57 - 17)

WOMEN'S CLUB RAFFLE - APPROVING APPLICATION

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 66)

The following was introduced by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 58 - 17)

CATERING PERMIT - WOMENS CLUB - APPROVING

(See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20 - 66)

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

Mr. Jim O'Brien, of 47 Wildwood Terrace thanked the Police Department and expressed his feeling of safety within the Borough both day and night. He also took a moment to remember Myles Sachs and expressed condolences to the family. Mr. O'Brien also thanked the Mayor and Council for the hard work and dedication to the Borough. Mr. O'Brien also noted that Reverend Stinson of the Congregational Church will be retiring this June and his release service will be held on June 25, 2017. He suggested a resolution from the council celebrating his work in both the church and the United States Navy.

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:32 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk