A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 28th, 2011 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 Baker.

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Police Chief Byron – Lagattuta.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting that was held on March 14th, 2011 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes from James P. O’Grady of The Glen Ridge Kiwanis Club, offering the services of The Kiwanis Club in coordinating the 2011 Memorial Day Parade And Ceremony. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Eric Williges, Essex County Mosquito Control, advising of mosquito control information including the commonly used pesticides used in their control operations. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A Resolution adopted by The Mayor And Council of The Township Of Bloomfield requesting that the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners return the cost savings to the municipalities served by the sewerage system. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that he has received a similar Resolution that was adopted by The Borough Of North Haledon. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes read a Proclamation commending Public Works Crew Chief Ronald A. Zaleski for his 30 years of service to the Borough. Mayor Hughes reported that Mr. Zaleski is retiring on March 31st.

Administrator Rohal and Councilpersons Dawson and Lisovicz thanked Mr. Zaleski for his many years of dedicated service.

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 Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 62 – 11)

CLAIMS – APPROVAL OF
(See Resolution Book No. 17 – Page No. 17 – 240)

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 Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 63 - 11)

**TAX APPEAL – AUTHORIZING REFUND**

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 241)

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 Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 64 - 11)

**TAX OVERPAYMENT – AUTHORIZING REFUND**

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 241)

Ordinance No. 1555 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES FOR NON-UNION AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AND FIXING THE 2011 MAXIMUM ANNUAL SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATIONS FOR THOSE TITLES**

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. 1555 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilperson Patrick reported that he has Ordinance No. 1557 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE GLEN RIDGE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND FIXING THE 2011 MAXIMUM ANNUAL SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATIONS FOR THOSE TITLES**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz that Ordinance No. 1557 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Patrick reminded everyone that the Public Hearing on the 2011 Local Municipal Budget will be held on April 11th in the Council Chamber and that the Budget can be found on the Borough’s
website and you can obtain a copy of the Budget in the Municipal Clerk’s office and at the Glen Ridge Library.

Ordinance No. 1556 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 9.12 – OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC PEACE AND DECENCY**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. 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 Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. 1556 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reported that the next edition of “Town Talk” will be available on the Borough Website on April 25th and that the focus of this next edition will be ecological issues and recycling.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the Public Works crews have been very busy filling pot holes throughout the Borough and the Borough is exploring a purchase of a “hot box” so that the crews can re-use black top material to fill pot holes.

Councilman Dawson reported that the Department has received a new John Deere front-end loader and the crews are in the process of being trained on how to use it.

Councilman Dawson also stated that the Borough did not experience any abnormal flooding during the recent heavy rain storms due in part to clean catch basins.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Baker, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 65 - 11)

**CHESTNUT ARBOCULTURAL – AUTHORIZING CONTRACT**

(See Resolution Book No. 17 – Page No. 17 – 242)

Councilwoman Baker, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that the newly formed Shade Tree Commission has
had two meetings and that meaningful progress has been made because of the dedicated members of the Commission.

Councilwoman Baker also stated that a valuable asset to the Commission is the educated public.

Councilwoman Baker stated the Commission will be attempting to encourage the public to adopt or donate a tree.

Mayor Hughes reported that this is an enthusiastic commission led by its chairman, Timothy Delorm.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that the spring clean-up of leaves will begin on April 3rd and end on April 13th. Administrator Rohal reminded everyone that leaves can be placed at the curb in biodegradable paper bags and clear plastic bags only and that clear plastic bags may be purchased at Borough Hall. Mr. Rohal also reminded everyone that raking leaves into the street is against the law.

Police Chief Byron - Lagattuta reminded all residents that if they have a specific safety or traffic concern to contact the Police Department.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 77 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, reported that about 10 people met last week to address come concerns and issues at the Freeman Gardens. Mr. Pignatello stated that some areas that need to be addressed are painting of the fence, a new sign, sidewalks, new top soil and some seeding.

Councilman Dawson reported that a new irrigation system will be installed at Freeman Gardens very soon.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none:

( Resolution No. 66 - 11 )

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 242 )

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Michael J. Rohal
Municipal Clerk