

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, April 23rd, 2012 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 - Lagatutta.

The Minutes Of the **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Tuesday, April 9th, 2012 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Essex County Executive DiVincenzo advising that Essex County will be conducting an Essex County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day on May 5th and an Essex County Computer And Electronics Recycling Day on May 19th at the Fleet Maintenance Facility in Cedar Grove. Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Joan Codey Durkin, Tax Administrator, Essex County Board Of Taxation, and a fully executed Order to Revalue all real property in Glen Ridge that was adopted by the Board Of Taxation on March 1st. Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter / Resolution to Administrator Rohal from Don Purdy, Mayor of the Township Of Galloway, requesting support of the Jessica Lunsford Act and requesting that the Council adopt a Resolution requesting adoption of Assembly Bill A2027/S642 & Senate Bill S 380. Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mr. William and Mrs. Bonnie Hyde of 311 Forest Avenue, Glen Ridge voiced their objection to the placement of a port-a-john at the Forest Avenue Field. The Hyde's reported this port-a-john an eyesore and very dangerous.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the unit has been secured to the ground and that it is locked when it is not in use. Councilman Theodorou also reported that a prior arrangement with the Board Of Education is no longer in effect and that it is hoped that new arrangements with the Board can be negotiated.

Mrs. Eleanor and Mr. Anthony Proto of 92 Glen Ridge Avenue, Glen Ridge, voiced their displeasure with the management of the Glenmont Square Mall that borders their property for the on-going noise,

exhaust fumes, garbage, employee indifference and rodent (skunks, raccoons and ground hog) infestation. The Proto's stated that the Malls management has failed on every count to live up to their promises.

Councilwoman Baker stated that the ownership should own up to the speakers and Mrs. Baker suggested that the Proto's organize the neighbors and get them involved in an attempt to resolve these matters.

Councilman Dawson reported that the Bloomfield Health will have to get involved in the rodent issues.

Mrs. Jacqueline S. Yustein of 326 Washington Street, Glen Ridge and Essex County liaison to County Executive DiVincenzo's office suggested that Essex Regional be contacted to investigate the noise complaints at the Mall.

Mrs. Yustein also announce the upcoming County activities: the Fish Derby for ages 15 and under on May 5th, 17th (Verona Park), 19th, June 5th and 17th; on May 5th there will be a program at the Essex County Hospital Center entitled "Men Who Cook"; on June 1st there will be a moving screening and on June 1st and 2nd there will be an art display at Riker Hill Park in Livingston.

Mayor Hughes suspended the regular order of business to accommodate a public hearing on the of the 2012 Local Municipal Budget. (8:13 p. m.)

Municipal Clerk Rohal read the following statement:

Mayor, this is the time fixed for the public hearing on the Local Municipal Budget for year 2012. The Budget was introduced on March 12th, 2012 by The Borough Council, and it was advertised in full, as required by law, on Thursday, March 22nd, 2012, together with notice of the public hearing for this time. Printed copies have been made available to the public during this past week and a supply is here for anyone desiring a copy.

Before opening this meeting for questions, I call upon Councilman Patrick, Chairman of The Finance And Administration Committee, to detail the major portions of the 2012 budget.

Councilman Patrick presented the 2012 Municipal Budget using a PowerPoint presentation which is attached and made part of the minutes. The presentation is available at -
<http://www.glenridgenj.org/pdfs/2012BudgetPresentation.pdf>

Upon completion of Councilman Patrick's comments Mayor Hughes opened the meeting for questions from those in attendance.

With no questions forthcoming it was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that the Public Hearing be closed. 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 resumed the Regular Order Of Business. (8:42 p.m.)

Mayor Hughes thanked Councilman Patrick for his excellent budget presentation.

Councilman Patrick extended his thanks to Municipal Clerk Rohal for all his work on the budget and the budget presentation.

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. 71 - 12)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 77)

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. 72 - 12)

HUMAN RESOURCES - PERSONAL MANUAL REVISIONS

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 78)

Ordinance No. 1578 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE REGARDING HEALTH
CARE WAIVERS AND THE STATE
HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM**

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. 1578 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.

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 Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 73 - 12)

MEADOWLANDS YMCA - RAFFLE LICENSE - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 78)

Ordinance No. 1577 entitled:

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

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. 1577

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.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 74 - 12)

MOUNTAINSIDE HOSPITAL - SUPPORTING TRANSFER

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 79)

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the Water Improvement Project and the manhole reservoirs is nearly completed.

Councilman Dawson also reported that the Borough's storm sewers have been cleaned of debris to reduce any possible flooding and he also reported that the Public Works crews are working with Parks and Recreation on the grading of the fields.

Councilwoman Baker, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, extended sincere thanks to Cherry Provost for all her plantings around the Borough sign on the Municipal complex, at the Community Center and the Post Office.

Councilwoman Baker also reminded everyone of the 35th annual Arts Festival and the 5th annual Eco-Fair on Saturday, May 12th. Councilwoman Baker called this event a "wonderful feeling festival day".

The following was introduced by Councilperson Baker, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 75 - 12)

SHADE TREES - DOWNES TREE - PRUNING CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 79)

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 Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 76 - 12)

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 79)

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:57 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk