

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, May 8, 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 Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, and Morrow.

Absent: Councilor Hughes

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

It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Morrow, that the Minutes of the **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, April 24, 2017 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Murphy, Morrow voting aye, Dawson abstaining and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported there were no written communications to present.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. Cynthia Garcia of 35 Lorraine Street thanked the Mayor and Council for their service and for the speed bump installed on Midland Avenue. Ms. Garcia asked Chief Byron-Lagattuta if there were any specific laws for pedestrians, specifically runners and bicyclists, to wear reflective clothing or lights to make them more visible to motorists. Chief Byron-Lagattuta responded that while cyclists are required to wear lights at night there are no ordinances or laws to require them to wear reflective gear but the department is currently involved in a campaign to encourage reflective gear.

Mayor Patrick proclaimed the Borough of Glen Ridge will be participating in "**Paint the Town Pink**" throughout the month of May to raise awareness for Women's Wellness.

Mayor Patrick also proclaimed that the week of May 7<sup>th</sup> through May 13<sup>th</sup> be known as "**Municipal Clerks Week**" throughout the Borough in honor of our own Municipal Clerk, Michael Rohal.

Councilor Lefkovits extended his support of "Paint the Town Pink" as it affects many families throughout the Borough of Glen Ridge. He also stated that the Public Access TV is currently seeking volunteer board members. Information can be found on the Borough's website.

The following was introduced by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none:

(Resolution No. **70** - 17)

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF** (See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20-77)

Ordinance No. 1660 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10.32  
PARKING RESTRICTIONS ON DESIGNATED STREETS**

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. 1660 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

The following was introduced by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 71-17)

**OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - APPOINTMENTS** (See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20-78)

Councilor Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. 1662 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO  
REQUIRE AN APPROVAL RESOLUTION BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL PRIOR TO  
APPLYING FOR A FIREWORK DISPLAY PERMIT FROM THE BOROUGH FIRE OFFICAL**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Morrow that Ordinance No. 1662 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, 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.

Councilor Dawson, Chair of the Public Works Committee, reported that the Parks Crew has been preparing fields for play and performing safety checks at all of our parks. A recent review of all of our facilities by our insurer only yielded three minor items for correction. Congratulations to Our DPW Supervisor Bill Bartlett and Recreation coordinator Jim Cowan for their diligent work. In partnership with the Shade Tree Commission, Hillcrest Farms is completing the planting of 116 trees throughout the Borough. In the fall we plan to plant 100 more. Our Roads Crew has been out cleaning catch basins and jetting our storm sewers. This weekend is the Arts Festival and EcoFair. The fair takes place Saturday, May 13, 2017

from 10:00am-3:00pm on Ridgewood Avenue near the Glen Ridge Train Station. Join us for our biggest festival of the year.

The following was introduced by Councilor Dawson, seconded by Councilor Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 72-17)

**CONTRACTS - THIRD PARTY ELEVATOR INSPECTOR** (See Resolution Book No. 20 - Page No. 20-78)

Ordinance No. 1661 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 12  
STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES  
IN THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Murphy. 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 Murphy, seconded by Councilor Lisovicz that Ordinance No. 1661 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilors Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilor Murphy, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee reported that registration for the Glen Ridge is now open. Registration for summer day camp is also open for online registration. Additional details can be found on the Borough's website. Registration is also open for the Glen Ridge tennis courts onsite at the courts.

Council Morrow, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee also reported the need for volunteers for the Public Television board members.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that upon budget introduction the Borough estimated a municipal tax increase of about 2.02% or approximately \$86.50 for the average assessed home, but due to a recent reimbursement from Super Storm Sandy the average municipal tax increase is now about 1.54% or \$65.00 for the average assessed home. The average assessed home within the borough is \$545,000.

Chief Byron-Lagattuta thanked the members of the public for their participation in the most recent Project Medicine Drop where the department collected approximately 29 pounds of unwanted or expired prescription medications. A portable drop box will also be available at this weekend's Arts Festival and Eco Fair.

Councilor Dawson reported that the Kiwanis held a very successful clothing drive in conjunction with the Friends of the Library shredding day last weekend.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. No comments were made.

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

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 7:57 P.M.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk