

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Tuesday, May 24th, 2016 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 had been provided to the public as required by statutes.

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

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Sergeant Carr.

It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits, that the Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, **May 9th**, 2016 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Councilman Murphy abstained.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Essex County Surrogate, Theodore Stephens advising that Essex County will open a Satellite Office in West Orange on May 4th. Also attached was a list of frequently asked questions and useful links that have been addressed to the Surrogate's Office. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that he is in receipt of an Interlocal Agreement from the Township Of Bloomfield Board Of Health for Animal Control Services. (Note: Action regarding this Agreement will be addressed in Resolution No. 82 - 16) Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that he is in receipt of a petition from P.S.E. & G. for approval of a second extension of a solar generation investment program and association cost recovery mechanism and for changes in the tariff for electric services. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that he is in receipt of a petition from P.S.E.& G. for approval of electric and gas base rate adjustments pursuant to the energy strong program. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that he is in receipt of a request from N. J. Transit Corporation for federal financial assistance for the 2016 Fiscal Year. Mayor Patrick ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Ms. Christine Ferrara of 13 Laurel Place, Glen Ridge, requested the assistance of the Mayor And Council in getting the "buffer" between her back yard and 123 Highland Avenue maintained. Ms. Ferrara reported that she has had several conversations with the property manager of 123 Highland Avenue regarding the buffer zone but nothing has been done.

Administrator Rohal responded that he will report the matter to the Borough's Code Enforcement Officer and also to the Borough's Arborist.

Mayor Patrick recognized Gold Award recipients, Sophie Mitchell and Meghan Agarwal and Eagle Scout recipient Max Abernathy and Mayor Patrick commended each for their dedication and commitment to scouting. Mayor Patrick proclaimed Monday, June 6th as "Girl Scout Gold Award Day" and Monday, June 13th as "Eagle Scout Day" in The Borough Of Glen Ridge in honor of the achievement of each of these Scouts and he called upon all of our citizens to recognize, respect and congratulate them and their troop leaders for their accomplishments.

Mayor Patrick suspended the Regular Order Of Business to accommodate Public Hearing for a 2016 Municipal Budget Amendment.

(7:39)

Municipal Clerk Rohal announced the following: Mr. Mayor, this is the time fixed for the public hearing on the Municipal Budget Amendment for 2016. The amendment was advertised, as required, on May 12th, 2016, together with notice of a hearing for this time.

Printed copies have been made available to the public. A supply is here for anyone desiring a copy.

Mayor Patrick stated that anyone one who has not secured a copy of the Budget Amendment may now do so.

Mayor Patrick stated that before opening this hearing I wish to outline the procedure. Each person desiring to be heard will rise and give his or her name and address before speaking. I will recognize one speaker at a time, in order of rising, as nearly as I can determine.

Address all questions to the Chair; where necessary they will be referred to individual members of the Borough Council, Municipal Officials or our advisors. Questions must be confined solely to the municipal budget amendment before us; school or county matters are not proper subjects of this hearing and cannot be discussed or answered here tonight. I now declare open the public hearing on the Municipal Budget Amendment for 2016.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that this budget amendment primarily is to add unanticipated revenue / grants funding to the 2016 budget.

Mayor Patrick observed no further questions from the floor and he entertained a Motion to close the hearing.

It was moved by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that the hearing be closed. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Councilman Hughes, Chairman of The Finance And Administration Committee, expressed his sincere and heartfelt thank you's to the organizers, The Rotary Club, The Kiwanis Club, Administrator Rohal, Deputy Administrator Zichelli, Mayor Patrick and Councilman Lefkovits for last evenings celebration of volunteerism and his years of service

to the Borough that was held at the Women's Club. Councilman Hughes reported that it was a wonderful event.

Councilman Hughes also announced the very favorable credit / financial position that the Borough has received from Moody's.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 74 - 16)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 244)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 75 - 16)

BUDGET AMENDMENT - ADOPTING FOR 2016

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 245 & 245A)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 76 - 16)

2016 BUDGET - MUNICIPAL & UTILITIES

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 246)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 77 - 16)

CHAPTER 159 - BUDGET - CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 247)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Hughes, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 78 - 16)

LIBRIZZI - REAPPOINTING - TAX ASSESSOR

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 79 - 16)

HIGH, MICHAEL - POLICE OFFICER - APPOINTING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 80 - 16)

ANTHONY, RE - POLICE OFFICER - APPOINTING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 81 - 16)

NUGENT, THOMAS - POLICE OFFICER - APPOINTING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 82 - 16)

ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES - SHARED SERVICES - BLOOMFIELD

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported on the following activities of the D. P. W. crews: parks and athletic field maintenance continues, the temporary stone pathway in the Glen has been removed due to the completion of the westbound stairway, preparation for the annual Rhino Romp at the Ridgewood Avenue Middle School on May 26th is underway and preparations for the Memorial Day Parade and activities on May 30th are also underway.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported on the planned renovation that is going to start this week at Carteret Park. Councilman Murphy reported that the new equipment has arrived and is awaiting installation.

Administrator Rohal reported that this project should be completed by mid-July and that some of the summer recreation programs will be held at George Washington Field and Watsessing Park during the Carteret renovation work.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 83 - 16)

CARTERET FIELD - IMPROVEMENTS - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Murphy, seconded by Councilperson Hughes and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 84 - 16)

LAGER RUN - CATERING PERMIT - AUTHORIZING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that there will be a Special Planning Board Meeting tomorrow night, May 25th, in the Council Chamber to review the latest version of the Mountainside Hospital redevelopment plan and that this meeting will address comments from the last joint Planning Board meeting that was held in Montclair. Councilwoman Morrow reported that it is hopeful that at the conclusion of this meeting the

Planning Board will be able to make its recommendations to the Mayor And Council.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 85 - 16)

SHARED SERVICES - DEFENSE AGREEMENT - AUTHORIZING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 24)

Councilperson Morrow reported that she has Ordinance No. 1642 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17
OF THE GLEN RIDGE CODE BY
AMENDING THE EXISTING
PROVISIONS OF TITLE 17.8
ZONES AND ZONING MAP**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Morrow. It was moved by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Murphy that Ordinance No. 1642 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Hughes, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, 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.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that the first road project of the year will begin shortly and will include Douglas Road, Marston Place, Washington Street and Wildwood Terrace. Administrator Rohal stated that Edgewood Road will be part of this years second project.

Administrator Rohal also reported that the Department Of Transportation is once again planning the replacement / rehabilitation of the Bloomfield Avenue bridge over the N. J. Transit railroad tracks on the Montclair town line. It is proposed that this project will start in January 2017 and that it will take anywhere from 9 months to a year to complete.

Borough Attorney Malyska reported that the

Police Sergeant Carr reported that the Police Department Officers are enforcing the "click-it or ticket" program at this time and he urged everyone to buckle up.

Sergeant Carr also reminded everyone that the Police Department will be sponsoring "coffee with a cop" at the Community Center on May 25th from 5 - 7 pm. Sergeant Carr announced that there will be bicycle registrations and give away's at the event.

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

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:33 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

Michael J. Rohal,
Municipal Clerk