

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 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 May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 were approved as submitted.

The Minutes of the Workshop Meeting that was held on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from the Montclair Planning Board advising of a hearing pertaining to a monument sign that is not a permitted use at Glenmont RR Crossing, LLC. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Essex County Tax Administrator, Joan Codey Durkin, advising all Essex County Municipalities to send estimated tax bills for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2011. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Senator Michael J. Doherty, urging support in an effort to restore equity into the distribution of state aid to schools across the State Of New Jersey. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Siobhan Morello of 24 Prescott Avenue, Montclair, requesting permission to close their street on June 18<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of conducting their annual neighborhood block party. Mayor Hughes referred the correspondence to the Public Safety Committee.

A Resolution to Mayor Hughes that was adopted by the Borough Of Hasbrouck Heights, urging the Governor and the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commissioners to return cost savings to municipalities served by the sewerage system. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes encouraged everyone to use the "Service Request Form" that is found on the Borough's website. Mayor Hughes stated that all requests are closely monitored by the Borough Administrator and the Mayor And Council.

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. 94 - 11 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 257 )

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. 95 - 11 )

**2010 AUDIT - ACCEPTANCE OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 258 )

( The following were offered as part of a Consent Agenda )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 96 - 11 )

**MECAP, INCORPORATED - LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 258 )

( Resolution No. 97 - 11 )

**RIDGE BOTTLE KING - LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 259 )

( Resolution No. 98 - 11 )

**MAYFIELD TAVERN - LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 259 )

( Resolution No. 99 - 11 )

**GLEN RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB - LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 259 )

Councilperson Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. 1561 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 -  
VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC**

( Clark & Thomas Crosswalk )

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. 1561 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.

Councilperson Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. 1562 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 -  
NO PARKING ANYTIME**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1562** 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.

It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick that permission be granted to the residents of Prescott Avenue to close their street on the date and time as mentioned in their correspondence to the Mayor And Council for the purpose of conducting their annual neighborhood block party. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported on the following agenda items: road improvement plans for the next project season have been submitted to the Department Of Transportation for repairs to specific streets in Glen Ridge; energy efficient lighting has been installed at the Municipal Complex and lighting upgrades are planned at the Glen Ridge elementary schools; the installation of heal elements at the public works yard and the D.P.W. support of the Gleeson Memorial Picnic at Hurrell Field this past weekend that has been reported to be very successful.

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. **100** - 11 )

**ELEVATOR INSPECTION - AWARDING CONTRACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 260 )

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. **101** - 11 )

**CLEAN COMMUNITY GRANT - AMENDING BUDGET**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 260 )

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that the new scoreboard has been installed at Hurrell Field and Councilman Theodorou thanked the efforts of Councilman Lisovicz and the Glen Ridge Athletic Association for making this scoreboard happen at Hurrell Field.

Councilman Theodorou sincerely thanked James O'Grady for his 20 years of service in coordinating the Memorial Day Parade and picnic activities.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, 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. 102 - 11 )

**POOL AGREEMENT - TERMINATING**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 261 )

Administrator Rohal explained the contents of the aforementioned Resolution and the history of the pool operation since the creation of the pool.

Mayor Hughes reported that pool membership is solid thus far.

Attorney Malyska reported that the former pool corporation should be legally dissolved.

Administrator Rohal stated that he would forward all pool documents to Attorney Malyska for his review. Administrator Rohal noted that even though the Borough is assuming operations, the pool fund is still self-liquidating and no tax dollars are being used to support the pool operation.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the lines of communication are all open and that everything is working very well at the pool.

Councilman Theodorou also reported that the Freeman Tennis Courts are in great shape and that it is expected that full capacity will be realized shortly on the weekends.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, 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. 103 - 11 )

**AUTHORIZING STIPENDS - SEASONAL EMPLOYEES**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 261 )

Councilman Lisovicz reported that for the first time in Glen Ridge that both the boys and girls lacrosse teams won their respective Group 1 championships.

Councilwoman Baker, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, gave a big "shout-out" to Al Whitman for his contribution to Glen Ridge in removing graffiti from underpass at the Hillside Avenue railroad bridge on at least three separate occasions.

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. 104 - 11 )

**TREE REMOVAL - AWARDING CONTRACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 261 )

Borough Administrator Rohal reminded everyone that this is the time to purchase parking permits for the next term. Current permits expire on June 30<sup>th</sup>. Permit applications can be found at the Borough's website or in room 102 at the Municipal Building.

Administrator Rohal also reminded everyone that the annual "Lager Run" is on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and he announced that the very successful "Free-Cycle" event that was held in May will be held each month starting in July till the end of the year on the day before bulk collection pick-up.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta encouraged all residents to call the police in the event of witnessing any type of suspicious activity.

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. **105** - 11 )

**TAX APPEAL - AUTHORIZING REFUND**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 262 )

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. **106** - 11 )

**ESTIMATED TAX BILLS - AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 262 )

Administrator Rohal reported that it was hoped that the Borough would not have to send out estimated tax bills this year but because since the State has not adopted their budget, the County Board of Taxation will not certify the final rate.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge requested that the police enforce stop sign violations at the intersection of Baldwin Street and Highland Avenue.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, 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. **107** - 11 )

**ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 262 )

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:19 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk