

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2015 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, Lefkovits Dawson and Morrow.

Absent: Councilmen Lisovicz and Murphy.

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

It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson, that the Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes and The Borough Council from Mrs. Cherry Provost of 57 Douglas Road, Glen Ridge, voicing her objections to the proposal for redevelopment of several Baldwin Street properties in Glen Ridge. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes presented a prepared statement that after much discussion amongst the members of the Borough Council and after much public comment in the past several weeks the Council will adopt a Resolution at this evenings meeting asking the Planning Board **NOT** to proceed forward with an earlier request from the Council to review plans for rehabilitation / redevelopment of Baldwin Street properties. Mayor Hughes stated that there is no support for this proposal.

The following residents addressed the Council on their concerns regarding the Baldwin Street redevelopment and / or the increased volume / speeding of traffic on Laurel Place: Eric Baker of 9 Laurel Place, John Naberezny of 46 Ridgewood Avenue, Justin Boose of 45 Woodland Avenue, Christina Gabriele of 14 Laurel Place, Deborah LaCoy of 6 Laurel Place, Gabrielle Ann Irlinger - Dingle of 20 Laurel Place and Alice E. Baker - Roberts of 523 Belleville Avenue ( presented a petition with 402 signatures ).

Mayor Hughes, Councilmen Patrick and Lefkovits, Administrator Rohal and Chief Byron - Lagatutta addressed the questions and concerns from the residents.

Mr. Sean McDonough, Manager of The Woodlands ( 9 Woodland Avenue, Glen Ridge ) reported that a few of the residents of The Woodlands have reported that the pedestrian crossing sign at the corner of Bloomfield and Ridgewood Avenue is not long enough.

Mayor Hughes reported that he has been in contact with Essex County Officials regarding this situation and he will make a follow-up call to check on the requested change.

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

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote;

Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 97 - 15 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 165 )  
( Resolution No. 98 - 15 )

**AUDIT - ACCEPTANCE OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 166 )  
( Resolution No. 99 - 15 )

**CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 167 )  
( Resolution No. 100 - 15 )

**TANS - AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 168 - 168-F)  
( Resolution No. 101 - 15 )

**RAFFLE - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 169 )

Ordinance No. 1630 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND  
CHAPTER 10.32.10 - NO PARKING  
ANY TIME ( Lincoln & Ridgewood )**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has 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 Lefkovits that Ordinance No. 1630 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilperson Patrick reported that he has Ordinance No. 1631 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND  
CHAPTER 10.05.04 -  
ROTARY LIST**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. 1631 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;

Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that The Borough has received two applications to be put on the towing rotary list thus far.

Mayor Hughes stated that one of the primary criteria's is distance from the towing company to Glen Ridge.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported on the following activities of the department; cleaning up and breaking down for the Lager Run, filling potholes, tree removals with our new chipper which will reduce the amount of work we would ordinarily have to contract out and curb and drainage work on Essex Avenue should be completed within the next 4 weeks.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Washington Field project is nearing completion with only the landscaping issued to be addressed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the field is scheduled to be open on August 15<sup>th</sup> with a ribbon cutting ceremony to be held before the August 15<sup>th</sup> opening.

Mayor Hughes reported that the annual Lager Run was fantastic and that over 900 runners crossed the finish line. This was the biggest turn-out ever. Mayor Hughes congratulated event organizer Councilman Murphy, Community Fund volunteers, Administrator Rohal, Mike Zichelli, the Department Of Public Works, The Department Of Public Safety, the Volunteer Ambulance Squad and the Essex County Sheriff's Department.

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that there is a declaration Resolution on the Montclair Planning Board Agenda and if approved it would then go to the Montclair Mayor And Council for consideration. If this Resolution is adopted by the Council it would then require a joint R. F. P. for a consultant.

Councilwoman Morrow announced that the next meeting of the Glen Ridge Planning Board is July 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p. m. in the Council Chamber.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that the purpose of the TANS Resolution ( 100 - 15 ) introduced earlier was because the State Of New Jersey has yet to certify, to the County, a tax rate because State Aid has not yet been determined. This delay will affect the third quarter tax billing and residents will be notified that once the bills have been sent out they will have 25 days in which to make their payment. Notice of the extended date will accompany their tax bill.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta reminded everyone of the annual "National Night Out" event on Tues., August 4<sup>th</sup> to encourage a crime and drug free society will be celebrated at the Town Pool where resident will have the opportunity to meet their police officers and ambulance squad members.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 102 - 15 )

**TAX APPEAL - AUTHORIZING REFUND**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 169 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 103 - 15 )

**BALDWIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT - WITHDRAWING REQUEST**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 170 )

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:22 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk