

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2009 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 Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost.

Absent: None.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance; Borough Attorney Malyska.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting that was held on July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2009 were approved as submitted.

Administrator Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter / petition to Mayor Hughes from 9 residents of Snowden Place to place Snowden Place on the priority list of streets to be paved in the Borough. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Tania Liddy of 42 Willow Street, Glen Ridge, requesting permission to close their street on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for the purpose of conducting their annual neighborhood block party. Mayor Hughes referred the correspondence to the Public Safety Committee.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Marianne Stock, Senior Director, Community Mobility, New Jersey Transit, providing a status update concerning the Borough's participation in N. J. Transit's Community Shuttle Program and to request your input regarding the possibility of a replacement vehicle. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Tavia Danch, Pollution Prevention Coordinator, Clean Ocean Action, advising that the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Beach Sweep is October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 60 locations along New Jersey's coast. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes suspended the Regular Order Of Business to accommodate a public hearing regarding the adoption of Ordinance No. 1517.

Ordinance No. 1517 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17  
OF THE GLEN RIDGE CODE BY REVISING  
THE PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES IN  
THE R - 5 ZONE**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Provost. 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.

Mr. Benjamin Kennedy of 80 Highland Avenue, Glen Ridge stated that in his opinion an R-5 zone is not appropriate for Glen Ridge Avenue.

Borough Administrator Rohal addressed Mr. Kennedy's concerns and stated that the Ordinance addresses the use of an R-5 within the zone in conjunction with the Master Plan.

Mr. Kennedy voiced his appreciation with the Ordinance and the immediate response of the Mayor And Council.

Mayor Hughes voiced his pleasure with the input of the public.

Mrs. Maria Marchione-Novoa of 955 Bloomfield Avenue, Glen Ridge questioned the Council on the difference between an R-3 and R-5 zone.

Administrator Rohal responded to the question.

The Attorney for 89 Glen Ridge Avenue, LLC, questioned at what affect, if any, this Ordinance would have on any existing professional building in the zone.

Administrator Rohal responded that there would be no affect on any rebuild if that ever became necessary.

With no additional questions or comments forthcoming Mayor Hughes declared the public hearing closed. It was moved by Councilperson Provost seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz that Ordinance No. 1517 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Mr. Nicholaas ten Velde of 138 Essex Avenue, Glen Ridge voiced his concerns on the maintenance and the shape of the trees along Essex Avenue.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge reported that there should be designated parking spaces on Ridgewood Avenue in the area of the banks and the Post Office.

Councilwoman Seyffarth, Chairperson of The Finance And Administration Committee, reported that there will be no extraordinary aid forthcoming from the State in 2009 and that the Committee will be meeting to finalize the Budget for adoption within the next couple of weeks.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 146 - 09 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 74 )

Ordinance No. 1522 entitled:

**GLEN RIDGE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
SALARY ORDINANCE FOR 2009**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Seyffarth. 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.

Mr. Harry Rush of 53 High Street, Glen Ridge, thanked the Mayor And Council for this Ordinance and for the funding to do the renovation work. Mr. Rush also thanked the Library Board Of Trustees and the Library staff for their efforts in this regard and to the Mayor And Council for their continued support.

With no additional questions or comments forthcoming Mayor Hughes declared the public hearing closed. It was moved by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that Ordinance No. 1522 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilperson Seyffarth reported that she has Ordinance No. 1523 entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE  
REPLACEMENT OF LEAD AND LEAD LINED  
SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE BOROUGH OF  
GLEN RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX,  
NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$ 850,000  
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE  
ISSUANCE OF \$ 850,000 BONDS OR NOTES  
OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING THE  
COST THEREOF**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Seyffarth. It was moved by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that Ordinance No. 1523 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Dawson stated that this will complete the lead pipe replacement project.

Mayor Hughes reported that this has been an ongoing ten year project.

Councilperson Seyffarth reported that she has Ordinance No. 1524 entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE  
REPLACEMENT OF SANITARY SEWER PIPES  
THROUGHOUT THE BOROUGH IN AND BY THE  
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY  
OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING  
\$ 410,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING  
THE ISSUANCE OF \$ 410,000 BONDS OR  
NOTES OF THE BOROUGH FOR FINANCING  
THE COST THEREOF**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Seyffarth. It was moved by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that Ordinance No. 1524 be passed on first

reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost  
voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to  
Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and  
posting.

Councilman Dawson announced that the sewer lines to be replaced  
will be on Glen Park Road and Chestnut Hill Place.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded  
by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 147 - 09 )

**ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE - WATER EXPENDITURES**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 75 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded  
by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 148 - 09 )

**ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE - SEWER EXPENDITURES**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 75 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded  
by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 149 - 09 )

**ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE - AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 76 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded  
by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 150 - 09 )

**LIBRARY EMPLOYEES - ADOPTS SALARIES**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 76 )

Ordinance No. 1519 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10.24  
PERMIT PARKING IN PUBLIC PARKING LOTS  
IN THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE**

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 Provost that Ordinance No. 1519 be  
finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this  
Ordinance is finally adopted.

Ordinance No. 1520 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 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 Dawson that Ordinance No. **1520** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. **151 - 09** )

**G. R. HOME AND SCHOOL - RAFFLE - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 77 )

It was moved Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth that permission be granted to the residents of Benson Street, Willow Street, Forest Avenue and Stephen Street to conduct their annual block parties on the dates and times as stated in their respective correspondence to the Mayor And Council. The motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote: Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost and voting aye and noes none.

Councilperson Baker reported that she has Ordinance No. **1525** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2,  
SECTION 5210 OF THE BOROUGH CODE**

( Board Of Health )

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Baker. It was moved by Councilperson Baker, seconded by Councilperson Seyffarth that Ordinance No. **1525** be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier this evening and the following agenda items were discussed: the status of the Hurrell Field renovation project, the on-going tree removal, pruning and planting of 25 - 30 trees, Mountainside Hospital emergency preparedness plan, water main flushing, hydrant replacing, final phase of the lead lined water is underway, the delay of the water meter replacement project due to state funding until spring 2010, the receipt of a \$ 260,000 grant from the Department Of Transportation and the receipt of a \$ 60,000 grant from C.D.B.G., the 2009 road paving project that

included Hawthorne Avenue, Madison Street, Adams Place and Chapman Place, the replacement of the sewer line in Chapman Place, the road collapse at the intersection of Hawthorne Avenue and Washington Street caused by a leak in the sewer line and the announcement of the 2010 street paving project that will include the repaving of Oakwood Avenue, Yantecaw Avenue, Inness Place, Roswell Terrace, Highland Avenue and Rudd Court.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 152 - 09 )

**MUNICIPAL ROAD AID - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 77 )

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that a protest has been filed by the second lowest bidder for this contract. The protest was reviewed by Attorney Malyska and Mark Pfeiffer, Deputy Director at the Division Of Local Government Services and they found no grounds for the protest.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote;  
Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and  
Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 153 - 09 )

**EMERGENCY SEWER REPAIRS - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 77 )

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that he and Councilwoman Baker have met several times to draft a plan to develop small spaces in town, i.e. Clay Field, Forest And Watchung Avenues and the Benson Street station site. Councilman Lisovicz reported that they will continue to meet to discuss the refurbishing of these sites with volunteer help.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that he attended a Recreation Department meeting at the Community Center on July 23<sup>rd</sup> and that it was a very well attended meeting. There were some good suggestions on field maintenance and they will meet in early 2010 to be sure the concerns that were presented are being addressed. Councilman Lisovicz reported that there was a large contingent present from the "baseball community".

Councilman Lisovicz reported that the asphalt track surface has been laid at Hurrell Field and that no public can be permitted on the field as this surface must be kept clean. It is hoped that the synthetic surface can be put down in two weeks. Councilman Lisovicz commended Councilman Dawson, Administrator Rohal and Deputy Administrator Zichelli for all they have done on this project.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that he and Administrator Rohal attended a meeting with County Executive DiVincenzo at Watsessing Park to discuss plans for the park that will include an artificial surface

and natural grass as well as a parking plan. They also discussed the redevelopment of Glenfield Park in Montclair that will include natural grass in the football area and a synthetic surface for little league teams that should be completed by mid-September. Councilman Lisovicz reported that there has been unanimous public support at Watsessing Park.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that the repairs have been completed at the Freeman Tennis Courts and that the facility looks great and the tennis club membership is up this year.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 154 - 09 )

**HURRELL FIELD - CONTRACT - CHANGE ORDER**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 78 )

Mayor Hughes thanked Councilman Lisovicz for his leadership in getting all of the Borough's fields refurbished.

Councilwoman Provost, Chairperson of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that the next meeting of the Planning Board will be on August 19<sup>th</sup> and that all are invited to attend.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Provost, seconded by Councilperson Dawson. ( Resolution No. 155 - 09 )

**MUNICIPAL ROAD AID - AUTHORIZING CONTRACT**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 78 )

After a lengthy discussion amongst the members of the Borough Council, Councilwoman Provost withdrew her introduction of this Resolution and it was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that this Resolution be **TABLED** pending further study and review by the Mayor, Council and Administrator. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that this meeting was unable to be televised by Channel 36 due to vacations of the cameramen. Mr. Rohal reported that a "fixed camera" will be installed on Wednesday so that all meetings will be televised whether or not a cameraman is in attendance.

Administrator Rohal also reported that an architect did a final walk through today in preparation for the exterior Municipal Building project and that there will be a prequalification meeting next week with the vendors and it is anticipated the project will go out to bid shortly. Mr. Rohal stated that it is hoped a contract can be awarded at the Council's second meeting in September.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, voiced his concerns regarding drivers who disregard the stop signs at the intersection of Baldwin Street and Highland Avenue.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 156 - 09 )

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

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 79 )

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:26 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk