

A SPECIAL Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Wednesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey at 5:30 p m.

Mayor Hughes led The Council and the citizens in attendance in a Salute to the Flag.

Mayor Hughes read an especially prepared statement that adequate notice of this SPECIAL Meeting had been provided to the public as required by statutes.

Present: Mayor Hughes, Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson, Lisovicz and Provost.

Absent: None.

Mayor Hughes expressed his displeasure on the Division of Local Government's (D.L.G.S.) decision to deny the payment of the deferred P.E.R.S. and P.F.R.S. pension deferrals in the 2009 Budget. Councilwoman Seyffarth, Chairperson of The Finance And Administration Committee, reported that the D.L.G.S. took this action even though the Division of Pensions had given the Borough a pay off figure for September 1<sup>st</sup>. Also, the Local Finance Notice authorizing the deferral stated it could be paid back at any time. Administrator Rohal noted that even if the D.L.G.S. approves the deferral payment later in the year, it would be impossible under current regulations to transfer funds from the Capital Improvement appropriation to the pension payment. This is due to the restrictions on "Out of Cap" appropriation transfers.

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. 157 - 09 )

**PENSION DEFERRALS - OPPOSING**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 80 )

Mayor Hughes suspended the Regular Order Of Business to accommodate a Public Hearing in regards to amendments to the 2009 Municipal Budget.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, 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. 158 - 09 )

**2009 BUDGET - AMENDMENTS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 81 ( B-D )

Councilwoman Seyffarth, Chairperson of The Finance And Administration Committee, reviewed the salient points of the 2009 Budget. Even though the Borough reduced operational spending by 1.41%, the tax increase for municipal purposes will be 4%. Councilwoman Seyffarth reported that the decrease in revenues was the cause of the municipal property tax increase. State aid has decreased by \$ 167,533,

investment income is down by \$ 130,000, construction fees has been reduced by \$60,000, surplus by \$144,000 and miscellaneous revenues by \$ 36,493. Councilwoman Seyffarth also expressed her appreciation to the administrative and CWA employees who did not take a pay increase this year.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, 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. 159 - 09 )

**2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET - ADOPTION OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 82 )

Councilwoman Baker reviewed the merits of filming in the Borough. Councilman Lisovicz noted his concerns about weekend filming especially the parking impact. Administrator Rohal explained the procedures the Borough would use to reduce the inconvenience to the neighbors.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Baker, 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. 160 - 09 )

**WEEKEND FILM PERMIT - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 80 )

It was moved by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Patrick that this Special Meeting of the Mayor and the Borough Council be adjourned. 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 Special Meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 5:57 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk