

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 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, Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta and Deputy Administrator Zichelli, III.

The Minutes Of the **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 were approved as submitted.

Deputy Administrator Zichelli presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes from George F. Serio, Jr., Director, County Of Essex, Division Of Housing And Community Development, advising that Glen Ridge has been awarded \$ 39,500. through the Community Development Block Grant Program to fund the ADA Street Ramp Improvements. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Tower Architectural Group, L.L.C., advising that a flood hazard area verification has been submitted to the State Dept. of Environmental Protection for 92 - 102 Willow Street in Bloomfield. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from N.J. Transit advising of a series of Public Hearings regarding senior citizen and disabled resident transportation assistance programs. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Former Mayor Jerry Fried appeared before the Mayor and Council to thank them for Resolution No. 132 - 12 ( Complete Street Policy ) a Resolution that will help make the entire County safer for all pedestrians.

Mr. Fried advised and invited the Mayor And Council to attended the workshops in Atlantic City at the annual League Of Municipalities Convention called "I Want My Complete Streets".

Mayor Hughes thanked Mr. Fried for his comments to the 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. **127** - 12 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 107 )

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. **128** - 12 )

**TAX OVERPAYMENTS - AUTHORIZING REFUNDS**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 108 )

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, Baker and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. **129** - 12 )

**DRIVE SOBER - SUPPORTING**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 108 )

Ordinance No. **1584** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PENALTIES  
FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE CODE OF THE  
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE, COUNTY OF  
ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. Deputy Administrator Zichelli 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 Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1584** be finally adopted. 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 declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the 2012 road paving project is complete and that the N.J.D.O.T. inspectors have approved the project; the hot water holding tank at the Hurrell Field House is currently being replaced due to its age and the present tank lacks the appropriate certifications; and, the Public Works crew has spent the last two weeks getting ready for school openings. Fresh paint was placed on most of the Borough's crosswalks and trees have been pruned around the school drop off areas.

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. **130** - 12 )

**SURPLUS EQUIPMENT - GOVDEALS - AUTHORIZING**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 109 )

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. 131 - 12 )

**UTILITY CONNECTIONS - FEE SCHEDULE**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 109 )

Ordinance No. 1583 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE  
GRANTS FUNDS FOR VARIOUS  
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Dawson. Deputy Administrator Zichelli 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 Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou that Ordinance No. 1583 be finally adopted. 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 declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Mayor Hughes complimented Planning And Development Director, Zichelli, on the quality road work this year and for hiring an expert to oversee the road work.

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that the Town Pool is officially closed for the season and that this was a very successful pool season. Indications point to a 15 percent increase in attendance.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the fall season sports are up and running.

Councilman Theodorou also reported that Hurrell Field has experienced some damage that was caused by a fungus but that the field has responded very well to corrective treatments.

Councilman Theodorou thanked the G.R.A.A. for the picnic bench donation to Carteret Park.

Councilman Theodorou announced that Essex County officials have contracted Recreation Coordinator Cowan to inquire if Glen Ridge would be interested in 13 additional open dates at Watsessing Park. This additional field use will be used by both the high school and the G.R.A.A. Councilman Theodorou reported that the Borough has a great relationship with Essex County.

Councilperson Baker, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, announced that the next meeting of the Shade Tree Commission will be on Wed., September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 and that everyone is invited to attend.

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. **132** - 12 )

**COMPLETE STREET POLICY - ADOPTING**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 110 )

Councilwoman Baker reported that the Borough has requested the County to increase the crosswalks across Ridgewood Avenue and that some of the requests have been met. Councilwoman Baker also reported that most of the streets in the Borough are Complete Streets.

Deputy Administrator Zichelli reported that the power has been restored to the Town Yard.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta reported that both the Detective and Patrol Divisions are and have been patrolling the Borough in an attempt to apprehend those persons that are behind the rash of burglaries that we have experience this summer. Chief Byron again asked all residents to assist the Police by locking their doors at all times and that just by doing this they could help reduce burglaries by up to 50 percent. Chief Byron urged anyone that sees something suspicious to contact the Police immediately.

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. **133** - 12 )

**ADJOURNMENT**

( See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 110 )

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8: p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk