

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Tuesday, October 13th, 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 and Provost.

Absent: Councilman Lisovicz.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance; Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Director Magnier.

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting that was held on September 28th, 2009 were approved as submitted.

The Minutes of the Executive Session that was held on September 28th, 2009 were approved as submitted.

Administrator Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Laura Buckmann of 15 Hamilton Road, Glen Ridge requesting permission to close Hamilton Road on October 31st for the purpose of holding a neighborhood Halloween Block Party. Mayor Hughes referred the correspondence to the Public Safety Committee.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from the residents of Willow Street requesting permission to close Willow Street on October 31st, for the purpose of holding a neighborhood Halloween Block Party. Mayor Hughes referred the correspondence to the Public Safety Committee.

A copy of a letter to NJDEP from Kathleen Tuzzolo of Wildwood Terrace regarding the contractual conditions for the renovation of the Benson Street Station. Mayor Hughes referred the correspondence for the Borough Attorney for his review.

Mayor Hughes paused for a moment to remember and reflect on the recent passing of former Mayor Carolyn W. (Midge) Bourne.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 169 - 09)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 89)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Provost and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 170 - 09)

TAX JUDGMENTS - AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 90)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 171 - 09)

N.J.E.I.T. - INFRASTRUCTURE LOAN

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 90, B&C)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Seyffarth, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 172 - 09)

N.J.E.I.T. - AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 91 & B)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 173 - 09)

GLENMONT SQUARE - JURISDICTIONAL ENFORCEMENT

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 92)

It was moved Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Baker that permission be granted to the residents of Hamilton Road and Willow 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 and Provost and voting aye and noes none.

Councilwoman Baker, Chairwoman of The Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee, reported that the next edition of "Town Talk" should be out within the next week and that there is an insert in this edition that contains the latest info on recycling and a list of departments and extensions at Borough Hall that should be retained and kept for future reference.

Councilwoman Baker also reminded everyone of information on the Borough's website that includes answers to frequently asked questions and how to register a complaint and a time-line for receiving the appropriate response.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, gave a brief up-date of the curbing and paving project on Adams Place, Chapman Place and Hawthorne Avenue.

Councilman Dawson announced that there will be a pre-construction meeting pertaining to the outside work to be done on the Municipal Building.

Engineer Rohal reported that it will be two weeks before the paving / curbing work begins on Hawthorne Avenue and that the work will take place on Hawthorne on the weekends.

Engineer Rohal also stated that the work to be done on the Municipal Building will include the removal and salvage of the bricks and some window replacements. This project will take 4 - 5 months to complete depending on our winter weather.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 174 - 09)

HURRELL FIELD - DOGS - PROHIBITED

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 92)

Councilman Patrick stated that both leashed and unleashed dogs are prohibited. Dogs can be legally walked in The Glen.

Councilperson Dawson reported that he has Ordinance No. 1526 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 12
STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND PUBLIC PLACES
IN THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Dawson. It was moved by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Provost that Ordinance No. 1526 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilwoman Provost, Chairperson of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that N. J. Transit will institute weekend service commencing on Sunday, November 8th and free parking for those taking the train will be available in the Hillside Parking Lot.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that the Montclair Board Of Health has announced that flu shots will be administered only to those residents 65 and older and to residents 18 - 65 with chronic illnesses.

Administrator Rohal announced that flu shot information can be found on the Borough's website.

Mayor Hughes, once again, encouraged all residents to register to receive important information on their email from the Borough.

Administrator Rohal announced that Tax Assessor Merdinger will be available to meet with property owners beginning on October 22nd from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Borough Attorney Malyska reflected on the life of former Mayor Bourne. He stated that he served as the Borough's Attorney during the tenure of Mrs. Bourne on this Council both a Councilwoman and Mayor. He stated that Mrs. Bourne dealt with issues such as; cable television, radon remediation, Montclair Fire Department, the infamous Glen Ridge sexual assault case, the redevelopment of Mountainside

Hospital, recycling, Montclair Connection, 2nd River Chairperson, just to name a few. Attorney Malyska called Mrs. Bourne a wonderful asset to this Borough.

Public Safety Director Magnier acknowledged and echoed Attorney Malyska's remarks regarding Mayor Bourne.

Mr. Harry Rush of 53 High Street, Glen Ridge, commended the Council on the passing of Resolution No. 174 - 09 and he stated that Hurrell Field must be strictly an athletic field and this field is no place for dogs. Mr. Rush recommended that a sign be placed on Hurrell Field advising of the rules and regulations for those using the Field.

Mr. Rush also reminded everyone to sign up to participate in the annual Ashenfelter 8 K race on Thanksgiving Day.

Mr. Nicholaas ten Velde of 138 Essex Avenue, Glen Ridge, addressed the Council on the Council Chamber audio system, the audio system used by Channel 36 technicians, former Mayor Bourne, more support for the Glen Ridge Seniors and a meeting that he had with Recreation Coordinator, Jim Cowan, on Freeman Tennis Court matters. Mr. ten Velde commended the assistance rendered to him by Tara Ventola in the Public Works office.

Mr. Patrick Pignatello of 277 Baldwin Street, Glen Ridge, commented about the dog abuse at Washington Field and the paving and curbing project on Chapman Place.

Administrator Rohal reported that this is private property and under Montclair's jurisdiction.

Councilman Dawson reported that the contractor is addressing the drainage issues on Chapman Place and that any sidewalk repairs or replacements are being done on an individual basis between the homeowner and the contractor.

Mr. ten Velde commented about Borough inspectors at his home.

Mayor Hughes cautioned Mr. ten Velde about using unlicensed contractors to repair the fire damage at his home.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Provost and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Seyffarth, Patrick, Baker, Dawson and Provost voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 175 - 09)

ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION - OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

(See Resolution Book No. 17 - Page No. 17 - 92)

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:21 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk