

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, November 12th, 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, Theodorou and Baker.

Absent: Councilman Dawson.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Director Byron - Lagatutta.

The Minutes Of the **REGULAR** and **WORKSHOP** Meetings of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, October 22nd, 2012 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Administrator Rohal from James Calderone, Stephanie Koskuba, Kristen Siefers and Mary Kay Markovits, 5th grade students at the Ridgewood Avenue School, requesting that the Borough Administrator cancel Halloween due to super storm Sandy. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Jacqueline S. Yustein, Essex County Liaison to County Executive DiVincenzo, reported that the County is ready to assist when and where ever needed during the recovery from super storm Sandy. Mrs. Yustein also reported that the County's recovery unit is now open.

Mayor Hughes reported on the Borough's efforts before, during and after Sandy. Mayor Hughes stated that the cleanup costs are estimated to run between \$200,000 to \$300,000. Mayor Hughes said the Borough is hopeful that FEMA will reimburse 75% of the storm expenditures. Mayor Hughes thanked all the agencies, departments and groups that participated in the storm response and relief efforts.

Administrator Rohal reported that there has been outstanding cooperation on every level related to Sandy.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **151** - 12)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 125)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **152** - 12)

RECYCLING GRANT - 2012 BUDGET

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 126)

Administrator Rohal reported that the purpose of this Resolution is to appropriate the grant money that has been received from the State.

Councilman Lisovicz echoed the comments that Mayor Hughes made earlier in the meeting pertaining to the storm. Councilman Lisovicz thanked Mayor Hughes for all that he has done for the Borough, especially relating to this big storm.

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee, reported on bus services available to the Borough and the alternate routes being used until N.J. Transit restores train service.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, seconded by Councilperson Baker and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **153** - 12)

SHARED SERVICES - UTILITIES - MONTCLAIR

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 127)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **154** - 12)

PERMIT FEES - WAIVING

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 127)

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that other than some leaves and twigs the Borough's recreation facilities did not suffer a lot of damage during the big storm. There was some damage to the electronics at the pool, some tree damage on the Hurrell Field track and the Hurrell Field house and the bathrooms at Carteret Field experienced power outage.

Councilman Theodorou reported that G.R.A.A. can use the fields at their own discretion and that all high school athletic events were cancelled for the entire week.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the annual Robotics Workshop that was scheduled for November 8th and 9th has been rescheduled for spring break in February.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the Halloween Trick-Or-Treat that was held at Hurrell Field was very, very successful and he thanked Recreation Coordinator Cowan for all his efforts.

Councilman Theodorou further reported that the Community Center experienced approximately 55 people on average using that facility during the Borough's power outages.

Mayor complemented Councilwoman Baker for the work the Shade Tree Commission had done to prepare for the storm.

Councilwoman Baker, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that the Borough's current tree pruning project saved a lot of this towns trees during this most recent storm and that pruning is crucial to the health of a tree.

Borough Administrator Rohal announced that on November 29th at 7:30 p.m. Tax Assessor Librizzi and revaluation consultant Paul Miller from Tyler Technologies will conduct a question and answer session pertaining to the current revaluation project.

Administrator Rohal also advised that all personnel currently working in the Borough on the revaluation program have both a Borough I.D. and a Tyler Technology badge.

Municipal Clerk Rohal also reminded everyone of the annual clothing drive, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, will be held on Sat., November 17th in the high school parking lot.

Administrator Rohal also announced that the Public Works Department has made two sweeps to clean up storm debris and after the sweeps residents must follow the Ordinance regulations to dispose of the remaining debris.

Police Chief Byron cautioned all residents to be diligent in securing their property and to be sure to call the police if they witness any kind of suspicious activity.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 150 - 12)

ADJOURNMENT

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 127)

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