

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 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, Murphy and Morrow.

Absent: None.

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

It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz, that the Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, **November 9<sup>th</sup>**, 2015 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communication:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Martin C. Rothfelder, Esq., Associate General Regulatory Council for P.S.E.& G. advising of a Petition of Public Service Electric And Gas Company for approval of electrical Base Rate Adjustments pursuant to the Energy Strong Program. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Ms. Cynthia W. Barnett of 148 Essex Avenue, Glen Ridge, reported that she had a petition signed by 25 residents from Bloomfield and 39 residents from Glen Ridge stating they were against the stripping of Essex Avenue.

Mayor Hughes thanked Ms. Barnett for the information and the Mayor reported that the State has been asked to postpone the stripping at this time.

Mayor Hughes reported that there is nothing new to report on the Laurel Place traffic study. Information on the study will be sent out as soon as it received.

Mayor Hughes called upon Ross Stevens to present himself so that he could receive recognition for his many years of dedicated service to Glen Ridge and for leading the campaign to privately fund the restoration of the paddle tennis courts. Mayor Hughes called upon all of our citizens to recognize, respect and congratulate Mr. Stevens for his efforts.

Mayor Hughes suspended the Regular Order Of Business to conduct the first of two public hearings on suggested application projects for the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Program. ( 7:43 p. m. )

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that CDGB money can be used to serve low to moderate income population as well as seniors and the disabled. Applicants are required to present their proposals in a public forum. The Council reviews the proposals and presents a Resolution ranking the applications. The applications are then sent to the Essex County Office of Housing and Community Development for final review. The Essex County office will then announce the grant awards. The notice of the award date has not yet been established.

Municipal Clerk Rohal asked that any applicants come forward at this time and present their proposal. There being no proposals from the floor at this time the first public hearing was closed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal announced that the second CDBG hearing will be held on Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Hughes resumed the Regular Order Of Business.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 131 - 15 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 188 )

Councilperson Patrick reported that he has Ordinance No. 1635 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES FOR  
NON-UNION AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AND FIXING THE  
2016 MAXIMUM ANNUAL SALARIES AND OTHER  
COMPENSATIONS FOR THOSE TITLES**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz that Ordinance No. 1635 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Public Safety Committee, reported on the participation of the Police Department in the "No Shave In November" campaign to raise funds for the Zeuner Foundation.

Councilman Lisovicz reported that Lieutenant Quinn and Sgt. Gnardellis recently did a presentation as part of the Police Departments outreach program on terrorism.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 132 - 15 )

**CALENDAR RAFFLE - WOMEN'S CLUB - APPROVAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 189 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 133 - 15 )

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - APPOINTING COORDINATOR - ROHAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 189 )

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reported that Channel 36 - Glen Ridge TV has welcomed a new board member, Dylan Boucherle of 45 Douglas Road. Councilman Lefkovits reported that Mr. Boucherle will be a benefit to this Committee due to his television background.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 134 - 15 )

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE - APPOINTING GREEN TEAM**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 190 )

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported on the following D.P.W. activities; parks crew has been preparing the fields for winter; leaf removal continues and sprinkler systems are being blown out; preparations continue for the annual Ashenfelter 8K on Thanksgiving morning; no garbage pickup and no jitney service on Thanksgiving but regular garbage pickup and jitney service will resume on November 27<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that he anticipates 4,000 participants for the annual Ashenfelter 8 K and the Tom Fleming Mile on Thanksgiving morning.

Councilman Murphy also thanked Police Chief Byron and the Department Of Public Safety for all of their pre-race preparations.

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, reminded everyone that the meeting of the Mountainside Hospital traffic study has been moved from December 3<sup>rd</sup> to Tues., December 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p. m.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 135 - 15 )

**SUSTAINABLE LAND USE PLEDGE - REAFFIRMING**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 191 )

Mayor Hughes reported that Glen Ridge is very concerned about the environment and that he is very proud of our present status and he is very hopeful that the Borough will be elevated from it's present bronze status to the silver status in 2016.

Administrator Rohal thanked all the participants in the annual food drive and he reported that the Borough collected 107 turkeys', 1 ham, canned goods and over \$2,000. in monetary donations.

Councilman Dawson reported that the Kiwanis Club also had a very successful clothing drive on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>.

Police Chief Byron - Lagattuta gave a brief report on the efforts and preparations including major security features for this year's race on Thanksgiving Day. Chief Byron reported that there will be more security features and more volunteers on race day to keep everyone safe.

It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that this meeting be adjourned. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:01 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk