

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, November 25th, 2013 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 Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy.

Absent: Councilman Patrick.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta.

The Minutes Of the **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, November 11th, 2013 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Hughes from KO And KO Investments of 123 Highland Avenue, Glen Ridge requesting that the parking restrictions in front of 123 Highland Avenue, Glen Ridge, be extended from 8 am to 5 pm to 8:00 am to 7:00 pm. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from J. Michael, Petry, Managing Member, advising that an application has been filed regarding property at Mill Street and Franklin Avenue in Belleville for a flood hazard area verification with the New Jersey Department Of Environmental Protection. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes proclaimed Monday, November 25th, 2013 "Norman M. Russell, Jr., Day" and called upon the citizens of Glen Ridge to thank and honor Norman M. Russell, Jr. for his generous service to the community.

Mayor Hughes suspended the Regular Order Of Business to conduct the first of two public hearings on suggested application projects for the 2014 Community Development Block Grant Program. (7:50 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 9th.

Mayor Hughes resumed the Regular Order Of Business. (7:53 p.m.)

Mayor Hughes reported that he has reached out to various residents to serve on a Committee to study alternatives and proposals pertaining to turf and that the first committee meeting would be held on Mon., December 2nd.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 126 - 13)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 22)

Ordinance No. 1600 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE
UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Rohal 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. 1600 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Ordinance No. 1601 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE
NO. 1354 - ON-STREET PARKING AND
PARKING PERMIT FEES**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Rohal 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. 1601 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote;

Councilpersons Lisovicz Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy
voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 127 - 13)

GRANTS - MAC APPLICATION

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 22)

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee,
reported that the Borough's fall tree planting program is complete and
that over 130 trees were planted.

Councilman Dawson also reported that the crews continue to move
forward with its leaf pick-up program and cleaning up all Borough
properties.

Councilman Dawson reported that the DPW utility crew repaired a
water leak on a Midland Avenue property and the entire staff continues
to prepare for the Ashenfelter 8 K race on Thanksgiving morning.

Ordinance No. 1602 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUNDS FOR
VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
AND EQUIPMENT**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by
Councilperson Dawson. Municipal Clerk Rohal 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. 1602
be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote;
Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy
voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance
is finally adopted.

Mayor Hughes announced that the annual Ashenfelter 8 K will be
held on Thanksgiving morning and this will be the 14th year of this
event.

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation
Committee, reported that the outdoor recreation is officially closed
which will give the D.P.W. crews a much needed rest.

Councilman Theodorou congratulated the girls soccer team on
winning their second consecutive Group 1 Championship.

Councilman Theodorou reported that both the community center
rental and the municipal pool realized a significant profit and the
summer camp program and the tennis courts have experienced a loss
during this past season.

Councilman Theodorou commended both the tennis and pool staffs
for all their efforts during the season.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Planning And Development
Committee, reported that the present boundaries of the Historic
District will be expanding in early 2014. Councilman Murphy expects
that an Ordinance to expand the district will be presented to the

Council for introduction and adoption in February 2014. This will expand the present district from 673 buildings to 894 buildings. Councilman Murphy stated that he is very passionate about the Historic District in this Borough and that the Historic Preservation Commission makes every effort on each application presented to the H.P.C. to preserve the style and scale on each street scrape.

Councilman Murphy announced that the race known as the "Ridger Romp" has been changed to the "Tom Fleming Mile" in recognition of Mr. Fleming being a two time winner of the New York marathon.

Councilman Murphy also announced that he expects over 3,000 runners in this years Ashenfelter 8 K race on Thanksgiving and that 500 or more will register on the morning of the race.

Borough Administrator Rohal announced that the next meeting of the Mayor And Council will be on Mon., December 9th at 6:30 p. m.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta reported that this is the time of year when many parcels are delivered to homes and left on porches. This is also the time of year when many thefts occur. Chief Byron asked all residents to take notice of any strangers in their neighborhood and to report the same to the police immediately.

Chief Byron asked all residents to be patient with the expected traffic delays and road closures during the race on Thanksgiving morning. Chief Byron also stated that parking will be prohibited on Ridgewood Avenue and the race route.

Deputy Administrator Zichelli praised the career of Fire Inspector Norman Russell and called him a true professional.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:20 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk