

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 8, 2021 via teleconference due to the Public Health crisis Covid-19 at 7:30 p. m.

Mayor Patrick led The Council and the citizens in attendance in a Salute to the Flag and read a prepared statement that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public as required by statutes.

Present: Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Mans, Lefkovits, Law and Morrow

Absent: Law

The following Borough Officers participated in the teleconference: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Lieutenant Faranda, Borough Clerk Tara Ventola and Borough Attorney Malyska.

It was moved by Councilor Morrow, seconded by Councilor Lefkovits, that the Minutes of the Meetings of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge held on February 22, 2021 be approved as submitted.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lefkovits	None		None		Law	
	Lisovicz	Morrow						
	Mans							

Mayor Patrick called for the written communications.

A letter from ADAPT – alcohol and drug abuse prevention team working within Essex county to prevent substance abuse.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Oliver Turiano of 130 Ridgewood Avenue inquired about the protocol of written communication.

Maureen Mycka of 270 Forest Avenue requested clarification of how communications are inserted into the meeting minutes and read a response written to her from Borough Attorney Malyska.

Jennifer Perez of 58 Harvard Street echoed Ms. Mycka’s sentiments and concerns about transparency.

RESOLUTION NO. 44-21

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Claims be approved, and Warrants be drawn for the same:

CURRENT FUND	\$632,602.42
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$637.00
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$114,661.35
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$65,072.85
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$17,998.75
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$12,112.75
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$5,389.00
STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$0.00

DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND

\$0.00

and, **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer / Treasurer of The Borough of Glen Ridge is hereby authorized to issue the payroll for the Employees of the Borough of Glen Ridge for the Pay Date March 15, 2021.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lefkovits	None		None		Law	
	Lisovicz	Morrow						
	Mans							

Ordinance No. 1741 entitled CAP 2021; was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Hughes. Municipal Clerk Ventola reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Patrick declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Patrick declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor Hughes, seconded by Councilor Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1741** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lefkovits	None		None		Law	
	Lisovicz	Morrow						
	Mans							

Ordinance No. 1742 entitled an Ordinance to amend Chapter 10.32.10 No Parking Any Time; was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Ventola reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Patrick declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Patrick declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Morrow that Ordinance No. **1742** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lefkovits	None		None		Law	
	Lisovicz	Morrow						
	Mans							

Councilor Mans, Chair of the Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee reported an update on the former Lot to Grow site on Benson Street.

Councilor Lefkovits, Chair of the Public Works Committee reported the following:

- Public Works opened all the catch basins for snow melt
- Conducted safety training for DPW workers
- Completed pothole repairs
- Roads project and Fuel Pump bids are due this week
- Gun Range new bid date is March 26th
- Train Station rehab is ongoing. The rehab work on the interior consists of painting, small repairs, and upgrading the bathrooms, as well as the kitchenette and stage. The basement also required some structural improvements. On the outside, there is some roof restoration, masonry work, and restoration of the doors , windows, wood trim, columns, and other finishes. DPW expects to finish the interior this month and the exterior in April.

RESOLUTION NO. 45 – 21

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **MANS**

WHEREAS, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et. seq., and 19:44-A.20.4 et. seq., The Borough of Glen Ridge used a fair and competitive process to solicit bids for professional services to draft Design Guidelines for the Glen Ridge Historic District; and,

WHEREAS, **Steven Smolyn, Architect** of 2 Marineview Plaza, 25D, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030 submitted the lowest responsible proposal in the amount of **\$22,350.00**.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer certified the availability of funds for this contract from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office grant; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge that **Steven Smolyn, Architect** be awarded the contract in the amount of **\$22,350.00**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Administrator and Deputy Administrator are hereby authorized to sign the contract documents necessary to effectuate the award of this contract.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lefkovits	None		None		Law	
	Lisovicz	Morrow						
	Mans							

Lieutenant Faranda reported that impaired driving will be enforced during St. Patrick’s Day on behalf of Chief Byron-Lagattuta.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Hari Ragavan of 416 Ridgewood Avenue expressed thanks to the Mayor and Council for their work and echoed Ms. Myka’s statements.

Maureen Mycka of 270 Forest stated concerns of written communications.

It was moved by Councilor Hughes, seconded by Councilor Lefkovits that this meeting be adjourned. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

RECORDED VOTE:	Ayes		Nays		Abstained		Absent	
(Insert last name)	Hughes	Lekfovits	None		None		None	
	Lisovicz	Law						
	Mans	Morrow						

The Council adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Tara Ventola

Municipal Clerk