

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, September 27, 2021 in the Council Chambers of the Glen Ridge Municipal Building at 7:30 p. m.

A motion was made by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Mans to appoint Councilor Morrow as the Acting Chair of the meeting.

Madam Chair Morrow 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 Lisovicz, Mans, Lefkovits, Law, and Morrow

Absent: Mayor Patrick and Councilor Hughes

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Chief Quinn, Borough Attorney Malyska and Borough Clerk Tara Ventola.

Madam Chair Morrow asked Historic Preservation Chair Herrigel and Steven Smolen to appear before the council to present the proposed Historic Preservation Commission Guidelines.

Steven Smolen presented the proposal to the members of the Council. Borough Administrator Zichelli stated there would be a resolution to adopt the guidelines during a later portion of this meeting. Madam Chair Morrow thanked . Smolen, Chair Herrigel and the subcommittee members who worked on this proposal.

It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Lefkovits, that the Minutes of the Meetings of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge held on September 13, 2021 be approved as submitted.

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

Madam Chair Morrow presented the following Proclamation:

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

WHEREAS, home should be a place of warmth, unconditional love and tranquility; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races, ages, gender, and income levels; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is widespread and affects over 10 million Americans each year; and

WHEREAS, one in three American women and one in four American men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rate higher than the national average and are more likely to become victims or offenders as adults; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non-productivity; and

WHEREAS, a coordinated community effort is an effective tool with which to stop this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and shows support for the numerous organizations and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

NOW, THEREFORE, in recognition of the important work done the domestic violence response teams, I, Stuart K. Patrick, Mayor, do hereby proclaim the month of October as **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH** in the Borough of Glen Ridge and urge our citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

Madam Chair Morrow called for written communications.

There were no written communications presented.

Madam Chair Morrow called for comments of the public.

Gordon Levitt of 131 Hillside Avenue stated the Library Town Wide Yard sale was a success. He spoke to the council with regards to the frequent power outages, bottle cap recycling and the spotted lantern fly.

RESOLUTION NO. 119-21

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**

Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

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

CURRENT FUND	\$133,976.22
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$17,330.32
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$4,939.07
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$120,155.17
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$8,088.48
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$1,423.90
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$639.00
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$13,551.56
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 October 1, 2021.

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

Ordinance No. 1753 an Ordinance establishing titles for employees of the Borough of Glen Ridge represented by the PBA Local 58A and fixing maximum salaries and other compensations for those titles; 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. Madam Chair Morrow declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Madam Chair Morrow declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by

Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1753** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Madam Chair Morrow declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

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

Ordinance No. 1754 entitled An Ordinance granting renewal of the Municipal Consent to Comcast to construct, connect, operate, and maintain a cable television and communications system in the Borough of Glen Ridge; 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. Madam Chair Morrow declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Madam Chair Morrow declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1754** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Madam Chair Morrow declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 120-21

Offered by Councilor **LISOVICZ**
 Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

BE IT RESOLVED, that The Mayors' appointment of **GARY PETERS** as a **SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER** is hereby approved and confirmed effective September 27, 2021.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 121-21

Offered by Councilor **LISOVICZ**
 Seconded by Councilor **MANS**

WHEREAS, The Department of Public Safety has determined that there is a need to purchase new **RADIO AND COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT** for the Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad; and,

WHEREAS, The purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and,

WHEREAS, **MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.** of 64 East Midland Avenue, Paramus, NJ 07653 has a cooperative purchasing agreement with the State of New Jersey, contract 83909; and,

WHEREAS, The Chief Finance Officer certified the availability of funds for this contract from capital ordinance 1752 and said funds for the purchase will be reimbursed by the Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, New Jersey do hereby approve the purchase of the new radio and communications equipment in the amount of **\$20,194.48** from **MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC.**

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

Councilor Mans, Chair of Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee thanked Clerk Ventola for working with the Board of Education to prevent meeting date overlap next year.

RESOLUTION NO. 122-21

Offered by Councilor **Morrow**
 Seconded by Councilor **LISOVICZ**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge received a grant from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Office to procure professional services to draft Historic Design Guidelines for the Glen Ridge Historic District; and,

WHEREAS, Steven Smolyn, Architect was selected by the Borough Council on March 8, 2021 through Resolution 45-21; and

WHEREAS, Steve Smolyn successfully completed the Historic Design Guidelines on August 23, 2021, and a draft of the Guidelines was posted on the Borough’s website and advertised through social media for public review and comment; and

WHEREAS, the Glen Ridge Historic Preservation Commission is extremely proud of the new Historic Design Guidelines in their scope and professional quality; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is by referral asking the Borough Council to adopt the Glen Ridge Historic Design Guidelines as the official Historic Design Guidelines of the Borough of Glen Ridge, and to subsequently adopt the Guidelines into Chapter 15.32 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Glen Ridge.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of Glen Ridge as follows:

- A. Following its introduction, the Borough Council hereby adopts the document titled “Historic Design Guidelines, Borough of Glen Ridge, Historic Preservation Commission”, which is on file with the Board Secretary in the Historic Preservation Office of the Borough of Glen Ridge, as the official Historic Design Guidelines of the Borough of Glen Ridge.
- B. The Historic Preservation Commission are hereby authorized to take all actions to implement this Resolution to accomplish its goals and intents.
- C. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Chief Quinn reported there has been an uptick in stolen vehicles and auto thefts. This crime of opportunity can be prevented by locking all car doors and closing all windows, removing keys and any valuables from the car.

Madam Chair Morrow called for comments of the Public.

No public comment was made.

On motion by Councilor Hughes, seconded by Councilor Law the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Tara Ventola

Municipal Clerk