

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, February 9th, 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 Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow.

Absent: Councilperson Patrick.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska, Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta and Planning And Development Director Zichelli, III.

The Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, January 26th, 2015 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

Administrator Rohal reported that he is in receipt of an email from Melissa Woertz requesting a Zoning Ordinance change to adjust the lot widths of each block to be the average of the widths of the individual block. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal advising of new FEMA maps for Essex County that are ready for review and Open House dates of February 10th, 11th and March 4th for their inspection.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Jamie Fox, Commissioner, Department Of Transportation, advising that the D.O.T. has approve the action of Glen Ridge and Bloomfield in awarding a contract for the reconstruction of Essex Avenue in the amount of \$ 1,194,000.01 and the D.O.T. approves the action of Glen Ridge in awarding their portion of the project in the amount of \$ 534,576.71. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Jamie Fox, Commissioner, Department Of Transportation, advising of a notice of Application for N.J.D.E.P. flood hazard area individual permit rehabilitation of Bloomfield Avenue Bridge over NJ Transit Township Of Montclair and Borough Of Glen Ridge. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from The Borough Of Tinton Falls requesting support of their Resolution calling for Supporting, Recognizing and Honoring the Service of Law Enforcement Officers. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from The City Of East Orange requesting Glen Ridge's support of their Resolution calling for State

Grand Jury reforms. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from The Borough Of Roseland requesting support of their Resolution that opposes the Pilgrim Pipeline Project And Calling For A Moratorium On Any And All Planning, Proposal, Surveying Or Construction of the Project. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Mayor And Council held their Regular Meeting on January 26th at 5:30 p. m. due to the much predicted snow storm for later that evening. Mayor Hughes announced that only routine matters were presented as part of a Consent Agenda. Mayor Hughes stated that the Council and Administrator Rohal are available to answer anyone's questions.

Mayor Hughes expressed his sincere condolences to the family of Michael Alfaro, the Comcast employee who was accidently electrocuted last week on Appleton Road.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 39 - 15)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 127)

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Public Safety Committee, reported that the Public Safety Committee met earlier this evening to discuss a variety of matters including the staffing of the department.

Councilman Lisovicz also advised everyone that the Public Safety Committee meets the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p. m. and all are invited to attend.

Ordinance No. 1623 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING TITLES FOR
NON-UNION AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE
BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AND FIXING THE
2015 MAXIMUM ANNUAL SALARIES AND
OTHER COMPENSATIONS FOR THOSE TITLES**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has 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. 1623 be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilperson Lisovicz reported that he has Ordinance No. **1624** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 10.32 PARKING
RESTRICTIONS ON DESIGNATED
STREETS (Hillside - North of Bloomfield)**

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Lisovicz. It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1624** be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons 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.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **40 - 15**)

POLICE VEHICLES - AUTHORIZING PURCHASE

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 128)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **41 - 15**)

RAFFLE - AUTHORIZING - G. R. HOME AND SCHOOL

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 128)

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reminded everyone that you can now view the Council meeting on Channels 36, 38 and YouTube.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that in recent days the Department has received 2 deliveries of salt. Councilman Dawson commended the D.P.W. crews for the yeoman job they did in keeping the Borough's streets open during our recent snow storms. Councilman Dawson reported that the crews have used the brine when the weather conditions are right.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported on the following activities: work on the renovations to Washington Field have been halted due to the weather and this could possibly push the completion date back a bit; the new fence has been installed at Clay Field; despite the weather the Pool House project continues on schedule; Recreation Coordinator Cowan is working with the High School and G.R.A.A. to determine a field need application request to be made to Essex County; and, an outside consultant has been retained to advise the Borough on how to address conditions at Carteret and Sherman Avenue Fields.

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairwoman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported on the January 21st Planning Board meeting that she attended and the application involving the proposed subdivision of 437 Ridgewood Avenue. Councilwoman Morrow advised that after a lengthy discussion amongst the Planning Board and the applicant the requested application was withdrawn.

Councilwoman Morrow announced that Mountainside Hospital has created a 2nd website to specifically address issues and share information pertaining to the proposed nursing home at the present site of School Of Nursing. Councilwoman Morrow stated that you can access the new website from the hospitals main website.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Councilman Murphy abstained from voting.

(Resolution No. 42 - 15)

MURPHY, DANIEL T. - HISTORIC PRESERVATION

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 129)

Mayor Hughes thanked Councilman Murphy for accepting the appointment to serve on the H.P.C. and called his expertise as invaluable on the Commission.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none:

(Resolution No. 43 - 15)

TEDESCO, ANDREW - SHADE TREE - APPOINT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 129)

Borough Administrator Rohal announced that the next Regular Meeting of the Mayor And Borough Council will be on February 23rd and the meeting will commence at 5:30 instead of the usual 7:30. Administrator Rohal also announced that the planned 6:30 Work Session scheduled for February 23rd has been cancelled.

Administrator Rohal also announced that the 2015 Municipal Budget will be introduced at the March 23rd meeting and the tentative date for the Budget adoption is April 27th.

Police Chief Byron Lagatutta reminded everyone that it is that time of year to register their alarm systems. This must be done annually.

Chief Byron reminded all residents that snow and ice must be removed from their sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow has stopped falling in order to avoid a summons being issued.

Chief Byron stated that anyone needing assistance with snow removal can contact Mr. Cowan in the Recreation Department.

Chief Byron also reminded residents that if they are going on vacation they must make arrangements to have their walks cleared if it should snow.

Chief Byron suggested that all residents should go to the Borough's website and sign up for NIXEL to receive all timely notices and alerts relating to Glen Ridge happenings. This is a free service if you sign up.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **44 - 15**)

TEMPORARY BUDGET - AMENDING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 129)

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, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:06 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk