

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, March 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 Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker.

Absent: Councilman Lefkovits.

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

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

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Eric Williges, Superintendent of Essex County Division Of Environmental Affairs, containing mosquito control information including a list of most commonly used pesticides used in their control operations. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Terry Beym, Acting Section Chief, D. E. P. Division Of Water Quality, advising that the Annual Fee Report and Assessment of Fees for the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System is now available on the Department's website. Mayor Hughes ordered that the report be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from Bethany J. O'Toole, Chief Financial Officer, Essex County Utilities Authority, enclosing the Solid Waste Operations and the Water System Operation Budgets of the Authority for the calendar year 2013. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes reported that he attended a P.S.E. & G. meeting this past Saturday to hear a presentation from Ralph Larusso regarding an Energy Storm Program application that will upgrade and strengthen underground lines, pole sensors to monitor areas and overhead lines. Mayor Hughes also reported on P.S.E.& G.s' desire to eliminate rear yard power distribution and his plan to push very hard against this plan.

The following was introduced by Councilman Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 52 - 13)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 174)

The following was introduced by Councilman Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 53 - 13)

TAX REFUND - AUTHORIZING

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 175)

Councilman Lisovicz, Chairman of The Public Safety Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier this evening and received a presentation from the Captain of the Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad on new stringent training requirements and the future funding issues.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the crews salted the roadways and cleared snow from the walkways on March 18th and they have also been clearing catch basins and debris from the roadway.

Councilman Dawson also reported that the DPW crews have been spending most of their time preparing our parks for springtime activities.

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that the plans to have the work done on the baseball diamonds has been hampered by the inclement weather but hopefully the work will be completed this week.

Councilman Theodorou stated that with the cooperation of the weather the tennis courts will open on April 1st for the season.

Councilman Theodorou extended his thanks to the G. R. A. A. for their successful fundraiser that raised \$ 14,000. that will go a long way to restore the surface at the Carteret ice rink and help with some structural issues.

Councilman Theodorou announced that the annual Easter Egg Hunt will happen on March 30th for Pre-K to 3rd grade children and that it is free to all residents.

Councilperson Baker reported that she has Ordinance No. 1590 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND

CHAPTER 20, SECTION 8 (Recycling)

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Baker. It was moved by Councilperson Baker, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou that Ordinance No. 1590 be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker and voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilwoman Baker that this Ordinance amendment is necessary to include the new material that is part of the single stream recycling program.

Councilwoman Baker also reported that even with the new recyclables our recycling efforts have decreased 5 percent.

The following was introduced by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 54 - 13)

COMPLETE STREETS - JOINING CONSORTIUM

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 176 & B)

The following was introduced by Councilman Baker, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 55 - 13)

COMPLETE STREETS - PROJECT GRANT APPLICATION

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 176 - B)

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Public Hearing on the 2013 Municipal Budget will be held on April 8th and that the tax appeal filing date has been extended from April 1st to May 1st.

Municipal Clerk Rohal further reported that it is hoped that the 2013 tax rate will be established in May.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta encouraged all residents to visit the Public Safety website for some vital and worthwhile community information.

Mayor Hughes also invited everyone to visit the Public Safety website so that the Police can better communicate with our residents.

The following was introduced by Councilman Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Baker voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 56 - 13)

ENERGY STRONG PROGRAM - PSE&G - SUPPORTING

(See Resolution Book No. 18 - Page No. 18 - 177)

Councilman Theodorou expressed the need to work with P.S.E.&G. officials and to stay friendly with them.

Councilman Patrick voiced his concerns on the power lines to the streetscape that was proposed in the Energy Strong Program.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:15 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk