

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014 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 Murphy.

Absent: Councilman Lefkovits.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: 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, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A Resolution to Administrator Rohal from Tara Ventola, Secretary of the Glen Ridge Historic Preservation Commission, advising that the Commission adopts the findings and conclusions contained in the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form, and recommends that the Borough Council amend the H.P.C. Ordinance to include the properties located in the area designated the Glen Ridge Historic District Extension II, in the Borough's list of historic districts. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from John Rosenow, Chief Executive, Arbor Day Foundation, congratulating Glen Ridge on earning recognition as a 2013 Tree City USA. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Essex county Executive DiVincenzo advising of a public invitation to attend a free Essex County Job Fair on May 15<sup>th</sup> at the Essex county College Gymnasium. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes an The Borough Council from James P. O'Grady, Kiwanis Club Parade Committee Chair, offering the services of the Club in coordinating the Borough's 2014 Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from County Executive DiVincenzo advising that Glen Ridge has received a grant award of \$ 150,000.00 from the Essex County Recreation And Open Space Trust Fund 2014 Local Aid Program. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Blonnie R. Watson, Essex County Freeholder President and Patricia Sebold, Freeholder Vice President, advising that the Freeholders will be holding their 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Essex county Celebrates Youth Event on April 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Hall Of Records. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Joan Codey Durkin, Essex County Tax Administrator, advising that the Board of Taxation has established the percentage of 100 % as the ratio of assessed to true value of real property as the ratio to be used within the County. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from County Executive DiVincenzo advising that the County will be sponsoring a household hazardous waste collection day on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and a computer and electronics recycling day on May 17<sup>th</sup> at 125 Fairview Avenue, Cedar Grove. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Hughes advised that all of the letters of correspondence that were read into the records can be found on the Borough's website.

Mayor Hughes paused to recognize two students / Boy Scouts from Glen Ridge Troop No. 55.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 60 - 14 )

**CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 33 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 61 - 14 )

**PERSONAL POLICIES/ PROCEDURES - AMENDING**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 34 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou, Murphy and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes ( Resolution No. 62 - 14 )

**BYRON - APPOINTMENT - EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 34 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 63 - 14 )

**GAMES OF CHANCE - DUCK RACE - APPROVAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 35 )

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 64 - 14 )

**MEMORIAL DAY - INSURANCE - VOLUNTEERS**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 35 )

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the crews have begun the spring maintenance of the Borough's fields.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 65 - 14 )

**TONNAGE GRANT - APPROVING APPLICATION**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 36 )

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that all fields, parks and the Freeman Tennis Courts are open and very active.

Councilman Theodorou announced that registrations for the Summer Recreation Program will begin on April 15<sup>th</sup> for children between the ages of 5 and 12 years.

Councilman Theodorou thanked Essex County, Michael Zichelli and the Public Works crews for their efforts in cleaning the parking area around the town pool of construction debris from the Clark Street bridge project.

Councilman Theodorou announced that Rutgers has completed their work of the grass analysis of Borough fields and the final report will be completed in early May. One of the expected recommendations, in the report, will call for an aggressive over seeding.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that the Historic District expansion ordinance will be introduced at the April 28<sup>th</sup> Council meeting and the public hearing on the Ordinance will be held on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

Borough Administrator Rohal thanked Mayor Hughes, the Borough Council and Chief Byron for the donation of the bicycles to the Glen Ridge Rotary Club.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta reported that the Public Safety Department will have a display and demonstration of their vehicles at the Glen Ridge Library on May 30<sup>th</sup> from 10 a.m. to noon.

Chief Byron also reported that the department is investigating resident concerns of jaywalking by students at the designated school drop-off zones.

Chief Byron reminded all dog owners that dogs are prohibited by Ordinance from going on any Borough park, field or playground. Chief Byron stated that the patrols are issuing warnings at the present time.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Dawson, Theodorou and Murphy voting aye and noes none: ( Resolution No. 66 - 14 )

**MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT - APPLICATION APPROVAL**

( See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 37 )

Mayor Hughes commended Chairwoman Nancy McMahon and the many volunteers on the Municipal Alliance Committee for their service.

Chief Byron reported on a program that has been approved and sponsored by M.A.C. for high school age students on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

A student / Boy Scout in attendance asked Mayor Hughes for a status report on the turf field study.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Council hopes to have the independent report from the turf committee by the end of the month. Mayor Hughes also reported that the Council is trying to involve more people in the discussions.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:00 p. m.

*Michael J. Rohal*

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Municipal Clerk