

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, April 23, 2018 in the Council Chamber of The Municipal Building, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 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, and Murphy

Absent: Morrow

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

It was moved by Councilor Lisovicz seconded by Councilor Lefkovits, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, April 9, 2018 be approved as submitted.

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

Mayor Patrick called for the written communications.

A letter from the Arbor Day Foundation congratulating the Borough on earning 2017 Tree City USA. This year marks the 20th year the borough has been noted as a Tree City USA.

A letter to Mayor Patrick from the Kiwanis Club offering once again to coordinate the Borough’s 2018 Memorial Day Parade and ceremonies.

A packet from the Essex County Department of Public Works containing information as per the administrative code with regards to mosquito control measures.

Mayor Patrick ordered the correspondence be filed.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. Peter Seymour of 6 Mead Terrace gave a brief update on his correspondence with the National Association of the Blind.

Mayor Patrick read the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, Hackensack Meridian Health in conjunction with our local hospital, HackensackUMC Meridian Mountainside is inviting communities and local businesses to help raise awareness about the importance of annual mammography and overall women’s wellness by participating in “Paint the Town Pink” throughout the month of May; **and**

WHEREAS, The Borough of Glen Ridge recognizes that it takes a village to achieve the mission of Paint the Town Pink, and every year that village has grown with more towns and even more supporters helping to spread the word that “early detection is a woman’s best defense against breast cancer.”; **and**

WHEREAS, “Paint the Town Pink,” now in its eleventh year, is a community-wide initiative spanning 75 towns throughout New Jersey and Glen Ridge is proud to be participating in the 2018 lineup of “pink towns”; **and**

WHEREAS, Paint the Town Pink merges a breast cancer prevention, detection and treatment campaign with a fundraising component that raises funds to provide screening mammography to underserved women in our community; **and**

WHEREAS, As leaders of the community, we have the unique opportunity to integrate an important message into a woman’s daily routine – whether it is in the places she shops and dines; works and lives; or through her community’s schools and community organizations; **and**

WHEREAS, throughout the month of May you will see pink bows, banners and signs throughout the town in recognition of this yearly event; **and**

WHEREAS, the good health and well-being of the residents of Borough of Glen Ridge, is enhanced as a direct result of increased awareness about women’s wellness and breast cancer research, early detection, causes and effective treatments; **and**

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Stuart K. Patrick, Mayor of the Borough of Glen Ridge, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council, do proclaim that The Borough of Glen Ridge be known as “PINK RIDGE” throughout the month of May in honor and support of the women in our community and to raise awareness for their overall health and well-being.

RESOLUTION NO. 71-18

Offered By Councilor **HUGHES**
 Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following **CLAIMS** be approved and WARRANTS be drawn for the same:

CURRENT FUND	\$2,643,018.37
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$3,924.51
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$72,373.17
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$1,032.09
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$5,250.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$1,622.51
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$71,915.89
STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$0.00
DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND	\$46.20
TAX TITLE LIEN REDEMPTION 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 of May 1, 2018.

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

Monday, April 23, 2018									
RESOLUTION NO. 72-18									
Offered By Councilor		HUGHES							
Seconded By Councilor		LISOVICZ							
Be it resolved by the <u>Borough of Glen Ridge</u> , County of <u>Essex</u> that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated in the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:									
(a) \$	11,103,607.93	(Item 2 below) for municipal purposes; and							
(b) \$	0.00	(Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation; and							
(c) \$	0.00	(Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in Type II School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.							
(d) \$	0.00	Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy.							
RECORDED VOTE									
(Insert last name)	Ayes	None	Abstained	None	Absent				
SUMMARY OF REVENUES									
1. GENERAL REVENUES									
Surplus Anticipated				08-100	\$	1,000,000.00			
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated				40004-10	\$	1,403,493.33			
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes				15-499	\$	220,000.00			
2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)									
3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:									
Item 6, Sheet 42				07-195	\$	0.00			
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)				07-191	\$	0.00	567,706.51		
Total Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Schools in Type I School Districts Only									
0.00									
4. TO BE ADDED TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE II SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:									
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S. 40A:4-14)				07-191	\$				
Total Revenues				40000-00	\$	14,294,807.77			
Sheet 41									
SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS									
5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:									
Within "CAPS"									
(a&b) Operations Including Contingent				30001-00	\$	8,961,173.00			
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal				30004-00	\$	1,222,892.00			
(g) Cash Deficit				46-885	\$	0.00			
Excluded from "CAPS"									
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"				60023-00	\$	2,161,117.91			
(c) Capital Improvements				60002-00	\$	492,312.00			
(d) Municipal Debt Service				60003-00	\$	749,465.83			
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal				60024-00	\$	55,000.00			
(f) Judgments				37-480	\$	0.00			
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)				29-405	\$	0.00			
(g) Cash Deficit				46-885	\$	0.00			
(k) For Local District School Purposes				60008-00	\$	0.00			
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes				50-899	\$	652,847.03			
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S. 40A:4-13)									
Total Appropriations				30000-00	\$	14,294,807.77			
It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the 23rd of April, 2018.									
It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2018 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.									

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

RESOLUTION NO. **73-18**

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

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R-36-17 AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF ASSESSOR'S TAX APPEALS, ANSWERS, COUNTERCLAIMS, APPEALS AND CROSS APPEALS IN TAX MATTERS ON BEHALF OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE

WHEREAS, statutory tax appeals and other matters and applications affecting the taxation of real property within the Borough of Glen Ridge are routinely filed with the Essex County Board of Taxation and the Superior Court of New Jersey; **and**,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Glen Ridge finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the Borough of Glen Ridge to authorize and direct the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Glen Ridge to take any and all action the Tax Assessor deems advisable in such tax matters in order to protect, promote and advance the Borough's

interest in assuring that each property within the Borough is fairly and equitably assessed in accordance with the law; **and**,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Glen Ridge finds it to be in the best interest of the citizens of the Borough of Glen Ridge to authorize and direct the Borough Attorney to assist the Borough's Tax Assessor in such tax matters referred to herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Mayor And Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge, County Of Essex, State Of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Tax Assessor of the Borough of Glen Ridge be and is hereby authorized and directed to prepare, file, pursue and litigate, if necessary, any Assessor's Tax Appeals, Answers to Tax Appeals, Counterclaims, Appeals and Cross-Appeals in statutory tax appeals and other matters and applications affecting the taxation of real property within the Borough of Glen Ridge as may be filed with the Essex County Board of Taxation and/or the Superior Court of New Jersey, that the Tax Assessor deems advisable in such tax matters in order to protect, promote and advance the Borough's interest in assuring that each property within the Borough is fairly and equitably assessed in accordance with the law.
2. The Attorney for the Borough of Glen Ridge be and is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all action said Attorney deems advisable to assist the Tax Assessor of the Borough of Glen Ridge in such tax matters as are referred to herein.
3. The Mayor, Borough Administrator, Municipal Tax Assessor, Borough Attorney and any and all other Borough officials, or their designees be and are hereby authorized take all necessary and appropriate actions to carry out the subject and intent of this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication in accordance with law, if required.

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

Councilor Lefkovits, Chair of the Public Works Committee reported that Channel 36 was making improvements to the overall sound quality for the meetings and new microphones were being tested for this upgrade. The Public Works crew has been cleaning up borough properties, parks and playgrounds with the anticipation of warmer weather. Spring leaf pickup will continue through April 15th, for collection details please visit the Borough's website at www.glenridgenj.org.

Ordinance No. **1681** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE, COUNTY OF ESSEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNMENT ENERGY
AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Lefkovits. Municipal Clerk Rohal 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 Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1681** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye

and no vote; Councilors Hughes, Lisovicz, Mans, Lefkovits, and Murphy voting aye and noes none. Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. **74-18**

Offered by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**
 Seconded by Councilor **MURPHY**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE TO BECOME A PARTICIPATING MEMBER OF A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SYSTEM NAMED THE SUSTAINABLE ESSEX ALLIANCE ENERGY PROCUREMENT COOPERATIVE (SEAEPC), WITH THE BOROUGH OF MAPLEWOOD AS LEAD AGENCY, FOR THE PURPOSE PURCHASING ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE VIA A GOVERNMENT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2018 the Borough of Glen Ridge (“Borough”) adopted Ordinance No. 1681 establishing a Government Energy Aggregation program in accordance with the provisions of the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq. for the purpose of obtaining cleaner energy at as low a cost as possible for residential and business participants through a GEA program; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2018 the Borough of Maplewood (“Maplewood”) adopted Ordinance No. 2899-18 establishing a Government Energy Aggregation (“GEA”) program in accordance with the provisions of the Government Energy Aggregation Act, N.J.S.A. 48:3-93.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2018 Maplewood adopted Resolution No. 78-18 establishing a Cooperative Pricing System referred to as the Sustainable Essex Alliance Energy Procurement Cooperative (SEAEPC) and authorizing Maplewood to serve as Lead Agency of the SEAEPC; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Maplewood have determined that it will be advantageous to the residents of both the Borough and Maplewood, as well as other participating municipalities, to jointly implement their Government Energy Aggregation programs through a joint purchasing initiative that will achieve economies of scale and attract increased attention of prospective bidding suppliers and, as a result, the Borough has determined that it is in the best interests of its residents to form a cooperative pricing system with Maplewood for the purpose of purchasing electric generation services including a renewable energy component and energy aggregation services for residents and potentially businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Maplewood have determined that Maplewood is best suited to serve as Lead Agency of the joint purchasing system; and

WHEREAS, the Lead Agency will from time to time during the Effective Period (from date of adoption through December 31, 2022 hereinafter referred to as “Effective Period”) issue one or more Requests for Proposals (“RFPs”) for electric generation services and energy aggregation services for residents of the Borough and member municipalities of the cooperative pricing system, pursuant to Local Public Contract Law Regulations, the Government Energy Aggregation Act and applicable New Jersey Board of Public Utilities regulations pertaining to Government Energy Aggregation programs;

NOW, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Borough is hereby authorized to become a participating member of a cooperative pricing system named the Sustainable Essex Alliance Energy Procurement Cooperative (SEAEPC) for the purpose of obtaining cleaner energy at as low a cost as possible for residential and business participants through a GEA program, and to submit an application to the Department of Community Affairs Division of Local Government Services for authorization to

become a participating member of the SEAEPC, and for designation of the Borough of Maplewood as Lead Agency of the SEAEPC; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Administrator, on behalf of the Borough, are hereby authorized to execute an Agreement for a Cooperative Pricing System, with the Borough of Maplewood (“Maplewood”), as Lead Agency of the Cooperative Pricing System, that authorizes the Borough’s participation in the SEAEPC and delegates authority to Maplewood, as Lead Agency, to implement a RFP process for the purpose of purchasing electric generation services including a renewable energy component and energy aggregation services for residents of the Borough, on the Borough’s behalf, pursuant to Local Public Contract Law Regulations, the Government Energy Aggregation Act and applicable New Jersey Board of Public Utilities regulations pertaining to Government Energy Aggregation programs; and be it.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough shall not authorize Maplewood, as Lead Agency, to make an award of a contract to an electric power supplier on the Borough’s behalf, unless and until a bid is received in response to an RFP that provides pricing for power supply for the Borough’s participating residents that provides cost savings as compared to the cost of utility-supplier power, meets the renewable energy goals of the Borough and/or is otherwise in the best interests of participating residents, and that is otherwise in compliance with applicable law and regulations; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage. The authorization provided to the lead agent shall be valid until **December 31, 2022** (the Effective Period) at which time the Cooperative Pricing System will be subject to renewal. Any rescission or expiration of this resolution shall not affect any Agreements entered into prior to such rescission or expiration.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 75 – 18

Offered By Councilor **LEFKOVITS**
 Seconded By Councilor **MORROW**

WHEREAS, The Borough of Glen Ridge sought the purchase and delivery of trees; and,

WHEREAS, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11, et. seq., the Borough of Glen Ridge used a fair and competitive process to solicit proposals for the aforesated service; and,

WHEREAS, on April 12, 2018, **Plant Detectives** of 45 Route 206, Chester, New Jersey 07930 submitted the lowest responsible proposal in the amount of **\$18,461.50**; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Mayor and Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that Plant Detectives be awarded the 2018 Spring Tree Contract; and,

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	Murphy	None		None		Lisovicz	
	Mans	Morrow					Morrow	
	Lefkovits							

Councilor Murphy, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee announced that online registration for Summer Day Camp and The Glen Ridge Community Pool can be done through the Borough’s website. For more information please visit the Borough’s website. Also, the recreation department has launched their new Facebook page – please follow them for information and current events.

Borough Administrator Rohal announced that FEMA will possibly reimburse up to 75% for the March Nor’easter storm.

Chief Byron-Lagattuta reported the deadline for residents to register their house alarms was April 15th, the form can still be obtained from the Brough’s website. On May 1st, Share the Road with Bicycles, a pedestrian and bicycle safety awareness traffic initiative will begin.

RESOLUTION NO. 76-18

Offered By Councilor **HUGHES**
 Seconded By Councilor **MURPHY**

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:74.1, et. seq., The Mayor & Borough Council approves The Raffle License application submitted by the Glen Ridge Congregational Church for an On-Premise Raffle fundraiser to be held on May 19, 2018 at the Glen Ridge Congregational Church, 187 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, NJ 07028.

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

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. Peter Seymour suggested that Hurrell Field be named after Horace Ashenfelter.

It was moved by Councilor Murphy, seconded by Councilor Hughes 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	Murphy	None		None		Lisovicz	
	Mans	Morrow					Morrow	
	Lefkovits							

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:57 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

Michael J. Rohal

Municipal Clerk