

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, August 11th, 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: Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson, and Theodorou.

Absent: Councilman Murphy.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Police Lieutenant Egnizzo.

The Minutes Of The **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge that was held on Monday, July 14th, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Borough Clerk Rohal from County Executive DiVincenzo inviting The Mayor And Council and the residents of Glen Ridge to attend the 13th Annual 9-1-1 ceremony at Eagle Rock Reservation on September 11th at 8:00 a. m. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Borough Clerk Rohal from County Executive DiVincenzo advising of an Essex County Collection Day of household hazardous waste on Sat. October 4th and an Essex County Recycling Day on Sat. October 18th at 125 Fairview Avenue in Cedar Grove. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Mayor Hughes from Catie Tobin, Environmental Programs Coordinator advising of the Fall Beach Sweep on Sat. October 25th and thanking Glen Ridge for their anticipated participation in the program. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Municipal Clerk Rohal from P. S. E. & G. advising of their new Outage Map to help customers Navigate Stormy Weather and a website that the map can be found at. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mr. Mark Nathan (?) of 24 Hillside Avenue, Glen Ridge and Ms. Amy S. Baldassare of 30 Hillside Avenue, Glen Ridge, each voiced their support of the adoption of Ordinance No. 1618 that call for daytime parking restriction on Hillside Avenue between Linden Avenue and Washington Street.

Ms. A. Capra of 38 Herman Street, Glen Ridge, voiced her comments and concerns regarding the turf issue on Hurrell Field. Ms. Capra discussed the crumb rubber issue, her feelings regarding another rushed referendum and her concerns of amending surfaces, etc. on the field by future Council's.

Borough Attorney Malyska explained that there is no way of keeping future Council's from changing what today's Council may or may not mandate.

Councilman Theodorou stated that this Council is working very hard to insure the future use of Hurrell Field.

Mr. John Moss of 122 Stonehouse Road, Glen Ridge, stated that, in his opinion, the Council is forcing the issues on the residents and he stated that any long term bond issue would be a heavy burden on the taxpayers. Mr. Moss suggested that a user fee be implemented for those using Hurrell Field to off-set the costs.

Mrs. Lynn Scott of 9 Roswell Terrace, Glen Ridge, questioned the Council on proposed changes that may or may not be in the planning stages for the Mountainside School Of Nursing.

Mayor Hughes advised Mrs. Scott that an application must be made by the Hospital to the Planning Board. The Council asked the Planning Board to study the area and the appropriate use for the Nursing School.

Municipal Clerk Rohal advised that he asked the Planning Board to study the area and evaluate to see if it meets criteria and that it would take the Council and Planning Board to agree on redevelopment of the area. The Planning Board is scheduled to meet on August 20th. There are no proposals before the Mayor And Council.

Councilman Lisovicz stated that the Council has asked the Planning Board if there is a need for redevelopment of the Nursing School and that there are no firm plans. Councilman Lisovicz assured Mrs. Scott that everyone will know about any proposals and will also be invited to speak before the Board.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. 115 - 14)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 67)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lisovicz and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. 116 - 14)

BUDGET AMENDMENT - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 68)

Ordinance No. 1618 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 10.32 PARKING
RESTRICTIONS ON DESIGNATED
STREET**

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.

It was moved by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Patrick, to re-open the hearing from July 14th. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none.

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 Dawson that Ordinance No. **1618** be finally passed. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Motion is finally adopted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that this Ordinance will become effective as of August 21st.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lisovicz, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. **117 - 14**)

WILK - SEAN - POLICE OFFICER - APPOINTING

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 6)

Councilman Lisovicz reminded everyone of Captain Wohlgemuth's retirement dinner on September 19th at The Glen Ridge Country Club.

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reported that applications are now being accepted from civic organizations for grant funding from the Film Fund Program.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the Public Works crews have been doing routine maintenance on the Borough's fields and infrastructure.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. **118 - 14**)

TRUIS INDUSTRIES - ACCESSORIES - CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 6)

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, reported that the Community Center has experienced recent power outages and the Borough is working very hard in getting New Jersey Transit and Public Service Electric And Gas on the same page and that the Borough is asking for everyone's patience.

Councilman Theodorou also reported that: all fields will be open this week with the exception of Hurrell Field; Hurrell Field will

open on September 2nd; the work on Clay Field is expected to be completed by August 25th; revenues for the 8 months of 2014 from the Glen Ridge Pool and the Freeman Tennis Courts have exceeded the full year of 2013; summer camp revenues are down approximately 5 percent due to lower attendance; revenues from the Pool will cover the proposed Pool House and this will also make the Pool more attractive.

Councilman Theodorou extended his thanks to the Recreation staff for their efforts to make this a very successful summer season.

Councilman Theodorou and Councilman Dawson reported that approximately 150 adults and children participated in the National Night Out festivities at the Pool on August 5th.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Dawson and Theodorou voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. 119 - 14)

SYNTHETIC TURF - NON-BINDING REFERENDUM

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 6)

Councilman Theodorou presented a full background report on the Turf Field issue including the environmental concerns and the recommendations of the independent turf committee that was presented earlier this year. Councilman Theodorou assured everyone that the crumb rubber issue is off the table and is no longer being considered. Councilman Theodorou stated that grass is not the answer and that a turf surface must support all disciplines.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Borough can support only two grass fields and along with the availability of turf surfaces at Watsessing, Hurrell and George Washington the Borough would be able to accommodate field requests.

Ms. Robin Fields of 21 Sommer Avenue, Glen Ridge, asked if the independent field report is available on the Borough's web site.

Municipal Clerk Rohal answered in the affirmative and that financials were included in the full and detailed report.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that the sewer project on Ridgewood Avenue from Bay to Watchung Avenue's will begin on September 9th.

Police Lieutenant Egnezzo reported on the success of National Night Out on August 5th and that the department is looking forward to next years event.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:57 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk