

A REGULAR Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, *October 10, 2017* 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 Lisovicz, Lefkovits, Murphy, Dawson and Morrow*

Absent: *Hughes*

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: *Lieutenant Timothy Faranda 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, September 11, 2017 be approved as submitted.

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

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Mayor Patrick from the Essex County Division of Community Health Services approving the 2018 Municipal Alliance Grant in the amount of \$38,462.00.

A letter to the Mayor and Borough Council from the New Jersey General Assembly notifying the council of the adoption of Resolution No. 216 encouraging NJ population to plant native plants to enhance the bee population.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. No comments were made at this time.

RESOLUTION NO. 125 - 17

Offered By Councilor **LEFKOVITS**
 Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

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

CURRENT FUND	\$515,672.01
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$5,885.00
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$18,376.27
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$906.97
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$16,570.00
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$184,558.06
STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$0.00
DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND	\$0.00
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 October 15, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 126-17

Offered By Councilor **LEFKOVITS**
 Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

WHEREAS, N. J. S. 40A:4-87 provides that The Director of The Division Of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; **and,**

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; **and,**

WHEREAS, The Borough Of Glen Ridge has received **\$2,347.94** from The State Of New Jersey 2017 Body Armor Fund and wishes to amend its 2017 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that The Mayor and Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge, The County Of Essex, New Jersey hereby requests the Director of The Division Of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2017 in the sum of.....**\$2,347.94**

Which is now available as revenue from:

- Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:
- Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
- Body Armor Fund Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of.....**\$2,347.94**

be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

- General Appropriations:
- (A)Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"
- Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:
- Body Armor Fund Grant **and,**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that The Borough Clerk forward two certified copies of this Resolution to The Director of Local Government Services for approval.

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

Councilor Lisovicz, Chair of the Public Safety reminded the public that the Public Safety Committee meets on the first Monday of every month, the meeting is open to the public.

Councilor Dawson, Chair of the Public Works Department reported that approximately 20 small trees have been removed by the in house DPW crew utilizing our chipper and new stump grinder. Additionally, our Forester has reviewed our street trees and identified larger trees that will be removed by a contractor. The removals will occur this fall.

Members of the Glen Ridge Shade Tree Commission have been working diligently with our Forester and Public Works Department to tend to our urban forest.

On the plus side, 81 new trees have been ordered and will be delivered by October 31, 2017. We will be awarding this contract by adopting Resolution 128-17. The trees will be planted by December 15, 2017. Our goal is to plant 1,000 trees over the course of five years. So far over 650 trees have been planted.

RESOLUTION NO. 127 - 17

Offered By Councilor **DAWSON**
 Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge sought to pave various roads; and,

WHEREAS, Stanziale Construction, LLC, PO Box 2597, Bloomfield, NJ 07003 submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of **\$235,392.00**; and,

WHEREAS, through the course of the construction, additional asphalt, concrete and curb work were necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed change order has been reviewed and verified by the project engineer; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of fund for this contract from the capital fund; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a change order in the amount of **\$91,733.79** is hereby approved bringing the total project cost to **\$327,125.79**.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 128 - 17

Offered By Councilor **DAWSON**
 Seconded By Councilor **MORROW**

WHEREAS, The Borough of Glen Ridge sought the purchase and delivery of eighty-one 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 October 3, 2017, **Plant Detectives** of 45 Route 206, Chester, New Jersey 07930 submitted the lowest responsible proposal in the amount of **\$16,397.00**; **and**,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by The Mayor and Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that Plant Detectives be awarded the 2017 Fall Tree Material 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.

2017 Fall Trees

Firm	Bid
Plant Detectives	\$16,397.00
Schichtel's Nursery	\$18,272.00

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

RESOLUTION NO. 129-17

Offered By Councilor **DAWSON**
 Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION IN THE ESSEX COUNTY URBAN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR PROGRAM YEARS 2018-2020

WHEREAS, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Essex under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended and HOME Investment Partnership Act of 1990, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge desires to participate in the Essex County Urban County for conducting certain community development activities for Program Years 2018-2020; and

WHEREAS, a letter has been drafted by the Mayor to the Essex County Division of Housing and Community Development notifying them of the Township's desire to participate in this process; and

WHEREAS, the Grantee or a unit of general local government that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any such portion of such funds to another metropolitan city, urban county, unit of general local government, or Indian tribe, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds in exchange for any other funds, credits or non-Federal considerations, but must use such funds for activities eligible under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Shelter Grants program ("ESG") provided through Subtitle B of [Title IV](#) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act permits for substantial federal funds allocated to prevent homelessness and to enable homeless individuals and families to move toward independent living.

WHEREAS, the current Uniform Shared Services and Consolidated Act contains an automatic renewal clause to expedite the notification of the inclusion process; and

WHEREAS, by May 5, 2017 each municipality must notify the Essex County Division of Housing & Community Development of its intent to continue as a participant in the Urban County entitlement programs noted above; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Glen Ridge and its residents to participate in said programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge that it hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the attached Cooperation Agreement and notifies the Essex County Division of Community Development of its decision to be included as a participant municipality in the Urban County entitlement programs being the Community Development Block Grant Program and Home Investment Partnership Act Program for the Program Years 2018, 2019 and 2020 (June 1, 2018- May 31, 2021); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy to this resolution be forwarded to the Essex County Division of Housing & Community Development no later than October 15, 2017.

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

Councilor Murphy, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee, reported that the Golden Circle Senior Club is seeking new members, the group currently consists of about 40 active members participating in weekly trips to shop rite, monthly bus trips and other activities. The group is open to all Glen Ridge Residents 55 and older and general activities are held at the Glen Ridge Senior Community Center.

The George Washington synthetic turf field continues to be an invaluable resource to the Borough, already hosting over 165 events, games and practices. There are another 88 events scheduled into November. This field continues to help keep fall sport traffic off our already suffering natural fields. He also reported that a Gaga Pit will be installed at Carteret Park, Gaga is a fast-paced high energy sport based on the sport dodge ball with a softer ball.

RESOLUTION NO. 130 – 17

Offered By Councilor **MORROW**
Seconded By Councilor **LISOVICZ**

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING BLOCK 72 LOTS 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10 AS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS, by Resolution 79-17, dated May 22, 2017, The Council authorized The Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6 to determine whether the properties designated as Block 72, Lots 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10 on The Borough Tax Maps meet the criteria for designation as an Area in Need of **Redevelopment** or An Area in Need of **Rehabilitation** pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1, et seq; **and**,

WHEREAS, The Planning Board undertook said investigation and conducted a public hearing on September 27, 2017 in accordance with the requirements of N. J. S. A. 40A:12A-6; **and**,

WHEREAS, upon the completion of its preliminary investigation, The Planning Board determined that the subject properties meet the statutory criteria for designation as an Area in Need of **Redevelopment** for the reasons stated in the preliminary investigation report prepared by H2M Associates Inc., entitled “Baldwin Street - Area in Need of **Redevelopment** and Area in Need of **Rehabilitation** Preliminary Investigation Report,” dated September 2017; **and**,

WHEREAS, The Borough Council has reviewed and considered The Planning Board’s Resolution, dated September 27, 2017, memorializing the Board’s findings and recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge, in The County Of Essex, that based on the facts and findings contained in the aforementioned Preliminary Investigation Report, which are adopted by reference and made a part hereof, and the recommendation of The Planning Board made in accordance with N. J. S. A. 40A:12A-6, The Council hereby designates the properties known as Block 72, Lots 2, 3, 4, 9 & 10 on The Borough Tax Maps as an area in Need Of **Redevelopment**; **and**,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Borough Clerk shall mail a copy of this resolution to the owner of the subject property, by certified mail, return receipt requested, and the Clerk shall also transmit a copy of this Resolution to The Commissioner of The Department Of Community Affairs of The State Of New Jersey; **and**,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that The Planning Board is hereby authorized and directed to prepare a proposed redevelopment plan for the subject property in accordance with the requirements of N. J. S. A. 40A:12A-7.

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

Councilor Morrow, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee announced the next planning board meeting will be held on November 29, 2017.

Borough Attorney Malyska followed up on the ongoing litigation with regards to the Baldwin Street Redevelopment. After many meetings and working with the Special Master we are very close to a recommendation that would be released to the public.

Lieutenant Faranda reported that there has been an increase in garage burglaries for bicycles in the South End. Officers have been patrolling the areas encouraging residents to be sure their garages are locked and secured.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public. No comments were made.

It was moved by Councilor *Lisovicz*, seconded by Councilor *Murphy* that this meeting be adjourned.

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

Mayor Patrick declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:04 P.M.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk