

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Tuesday, October 13th, 2015 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, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow.

Absent: Councilman Lisovicz.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and Public Safety Director Byron - Lagattuta.

It was moved by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson 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 28th**, 2015 be approved as submitted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote. Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported no correspondence had been filed.

Meredith Barrentine, 15 Hillcrest Road gave a report on the new transport service which is being offered by the Glen Ridge Volunteer Ambulance Squad. The non-emergency service will provide transportation for Glen Ridge seniors (age 65+) and permanently disabled adults who are ambulatory to and from hospital or medical appointments in a car.

The service is available between the hours of 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday or by special arrangement.

Transportation requests must be pre-arranged as soon as possible, at least 48 hours prior to need.

The Squad will transport to immediately surrounding towns.

Transports for regularly occurring medical appointments such as dialysis and transfusions can be accommodated dependent on driver availability.

Mr. Christopher Foster of 11 Laurel Place, Glen Ridge, inquired about any new info regarding the hospital planned redevelopment.

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that Glen Ridge and Montclair officials are in the process of scheduling a "kick-off" meeting to present the redeveloping plans. Mr. Rohal also reported that the report is due in early January.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Borough's website has the most current info on the redevelopment plan and that any information of significance will be immediately communicated with the residents via their emails.

Mayor Hughes announced that the week of October 18th to the 24th is "Teen Driver Safety Week". Mayor Hughes reported on the 5 words of wisdom when it comes to teen drivers; drinking and driving, buckle

up, texting, speeding and number of passengers. Mayor Hughes reported that both he and Chief Byron strongly support this effort.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **118 - 15**)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 179)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **119 - 15**)

TAX OVERPAYMENT - AUTHORIZING REFUND

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 180)

Ordinance No. **1633** entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND
CHAPTER 10.16 - STOP
INTERSECTIONS DESIGNATED**

was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. 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 Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Lefkovits that Ordinance No. **1633** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee, reported that he personally made some phone calls in reference to the Lackawanna Coalition letter that was presented at the last Regular Council Meeting. Councilman Lefkovits reported that the Coalition meetings are in Millburn on the same night as our Council Meetings and this presents a problem as far as Glen Ridge representation however, none of the proposed cut-backs will affect Glen Ridge directly. It was reported to Councilman Lefkovits that the best way to voice your respective concerns is through your individual Town Council's.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Lefkovits, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **120 - 15**)

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT - AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 180)

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported the Parks Crew continue its work preparing the fields and the new field at George Washington is holding up extremely well to the use

and rain; The major work on the reconstruction of Essex Avenue is complete; and, design work for the installation of a new back-up generator that will power the Municipal Complex. Delivery time of generators varies, making it difficult to provide an estimated installation date.

Councilman Murphy, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, announced that the annual Glen Ridge Pumpkin Hunt will be held on Saturday, October 24th at 9 a. m.

Councilman Murphy also announced that registration applications for the annual Ashenfelter 8 K and The Tom Fleming Mile are now available. Councilman Murphy reported that this is one of the top annual races in the State Of New Jersey.

Councilman Murphy reported that the Parks And Recreation Committee is doing a study of the playground equipment at Carteret Park primarily because of the age of the equipment.

Councilman Murphy also reported on the new sod that has been put down on Carteret Park and Forest Avenue particularly in the area of the goal mouths. Councilman Murphy stated that there has been conversations within the Parks And Recreation Committee about possibly moving the back-stop at Carteret Park.

Councilman Murphy stated that George Washington Field continues to be functioning nicely.

Mayor Hughes requested Chief Byron and The Public Safety Committee to get the message out that bicycle riders, especially those commuters that use their bicycles at night, to put lights on their bikes and that reflectors are not enough protection for motorists.

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, reported that the next Planning Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 21st.

Councilwoman Morrow thanked all the members of the newly created Local Assistance Board for agreeing to serve on the Board.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Murphy and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Murphy, Morrow and Mayor Hughes voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. **121 - 15**)

LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD - ADVISORY BOARD

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 181)

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that a neighborhood meeting is being planned to analyze the traffic data on the stripping of Essex Avenue.

Administrator Rohal reported that volunteer applications for Committee appointments can be found on the Borough's website.

Administrator Rohal reported that the planned reconstruction of Douglas Road will be delayed until Spring due to new D.E.P. regulations that will require Site Committee reviews.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta reported on a request from Acting Essex County Prosecutor Murray to send two Glen Ridge Police Officers to Newark for a two week period for a crime prevention detail. Chief Byron reported that Glen Ridge sent one officer and that the detail was very successful. Chief Byron also reported that a total of 50 county officer participated in the detail.

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

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:13 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

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Municipal Clerk