

A **REGULAR** Meeting of The Mayor And Borough Council of The Borough Of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, November 24th, 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, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow.

Absent: Councilman Lisovicz.

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Attorney Malyska and 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, November 10th, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Municipal Clerk Rohal presented the following written communications:

A letter to Administrator Rohal from F. Michael Fitzpatrick, Health Officer, Bloomfield, attaching a 3 year contract beginning on January 1st, 2015 and a 5 year option for the Council's consideration. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

A letter to Administrator Rohal from Paul D. Lasek, PE, Bloomfield Township Engineer enclosing a fully executed shared service agreement relating to the Essex Avenue Reconstruction project. Mayor Hughes ordered that the correspondence be filed.

Mrs. Jacqueline S. Yustein of 326 Washington Street, Glen Ridge and Essex County liaison to County Executive DeVincenzo. Mrs. Yustein delivered a brochure of Essex County Parks, Recreation and a Cultural Affairs guide to events, activities and facilities of the Essex County Park System for the Autumn and Winter 2014 season.

Mrs. Mihaela C. Demel of 21 Hillside Avenue, Glen Ridge, asked Mayor Hughes for an update on the planned parking restriction for Hillside Avenue.

Mayor Hughes reported that the Council has been studying several options for parking on Hillside Avenue between Linden Avenue and Washington Street and that the Council will be introducing an Ordinance this evening that will restrict parking in the area to 3 hours between 7 a. m. and noon. Mayor Hughes announced that a Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 1618 will be held on December 8th.

Mayor Hughes suspended the Regular Order Of Business to conduct the first of two public hearings on suggested application projects for the 2014 Community Development Block Grant Program. (7:43 p. m.)

Municipal Clerk Rohal reported that CDGB money can be used to serve low to moderate income population as well as seniors and the disabled. Applicants are required to present their proposals in a

public forum. The Council reviews the proposals and presents a Resolution ranking the applications. The applications are then sent to the Essex County Office of Housing and Community Development for final review. The Essex County office will then announce the grant awards. The notice of the award date has not yet been established.

Municipal Clerk Rohal asked that any applicants come forward at this time and present their proposal. There being no proposals from the floor at this time the first public hearing was closed.

Municipal Clerk Rohal announced that the second CDBG hearing will be held on Monday, December 8th.

Mayor Hughes resumed the Regular Order Of Business. (7:45 p.m.)

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. **148 - 14**)

CLAIMS - APPROVAL OF

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 92)

Councilperson Patrick reported that he has Ordinance No. **1618** entitled:

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

for introduction. The Ordinance title was read by Councilperson Patrick. It was moved by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Dawson that Ordinance No. **1618** be passed on first reading. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou, Morrow voting aye and noes none. Mayor Hughes referred the Ordinance to Municipal Clerk Rohal for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

Councilman Lefkovits, Chairman of The Community Affairs And Public Relations Committee, reported that the Glen Ridge Municipal television is still developing a new format and new logo's for the station.

Councilman Dawson, Chairman of The Public Works Committee, reported that the crews have been busy preparing the equipment for winter use; the crews continue to pick up leaves; and, prepare for the annual Ashenfelter 8 K race on Thanksgiving.

Councilman Dawson reported that the sewer project on Ridgewood Avenue continues and that the salt delivery to the Town Yard will be made next week.

Councilman Dawson also reported that the new brine equipment has been installed on the new truck.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Dawson, seconded by Councilperson Patrick and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none. (Resolution No. 149 - 14)

ESSEX AVENUE RECONSTRUCTION - SHARED SERVICE

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 93)

Councilman Theodorou, Chairman of The Parks And Recreation Committee, congratulated the high school girls soccer team on winning the Group 1 sectional title for the third year in a row.

Councilman Theodorou stated that all of the fall sports have been completed for the season and that the fields will remain open but the goals have been removed from all the fields.

Councilman Theodorou reported that the first pre-construction meeting has been held regarding the reconstruction of George Washington Field and that Montclair officials, Land-Tech and the over-site team were present. The project will start next week, weather permitting.

Councilman Theodorou stated that all field hockey games will be played on George Washington Field once it is completed.

Councilman Theodorou reported that work will also start next week on the Pool House project.

Mayor Hughes reminded everyone of the Ashelfelter 8 K and Tom Fleming mile race on Thanksgiving morning at 8:30. Mayor Hughes reported that Councilman-Elect Murphy is the organizer of the event and that this race is the biggest fundraiser of the year and that has a great impact for the Borough's schools.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Theodorou, seconded by Councilperson Dawson and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 150 - 14)

GEORGE WASHINGTON FIELD - KEYSTONE COOP - CONTRACT

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 94)

Councilwoman Morrow, Chairman of The Planning And Development Committee, discussed the options of the pending contract for health services with Bloomfield. Councilwoman Morrow reported that Glen Ridge would realize a savings of \$ 1,397. in 2015 for health services and we would also realize approximately \$ 700.00 a year by going with a 5 year contract rather than 3 years.

Councilwoman Morrow reported that both Montclair and Glen Ridge have issued a Request For Proposals to prepare a preliminary investigation report to determine the eligibility of certain healthcare properties as an area in need of redevelopment or an area in need of rehabilitation. Proposals are due by December 4th.

Councilwoman Morrow announced that flu shots are still available at the Bloomfield Municipal Building by appointment.

Councilwoman Morrow also announced that Bloomfield Human Services has a certified application sponsor to provide free help understanding your options under the Affordable Care Act.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Morrow, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 151 - 14)

HEALTH SERVICES - BLOOMFIELD - SHARED SERVICES

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 94)

Borough Administrator Rohal reported that he has tremendous cooperation with both the Bloomfield Health Department officials on provision of health and social services and the Bloomfield Engineering staff on the preparation of the specs for the Essex Avenue project.

Administrator Rohal also thanked all the volunteers for the very successful Turkey Drive. 103 turkeys were donated along with non-perishable food in addition to monetary donations of \$ 624.00.

Councilman Dawson also reported that the Kiwanis Club had a successful collection of household items on the Saturday before Thanksgiving for the Big Brothers and Big Sisters Foundation.

Police Chief Byron - Lagatutta also commended the Bloomfield Board Of Health and she reported that the Public Safety Department is preparing for the annual Ashenfelter 8 K race on Thanksgiving.

Chief Byron also reported that the Department assisted Essex County Officials in a joint effort to serve 20 arrest warrants and 14 search warrants.

Chief Byron reminded all residents that the Department Of Public Safety is available to assist anyone that may need a crime prevention / burglary survey of their property.

The following was introduced by Councilperson Patrick, seconded by Councilperson Theodorou and adopted by an aye and no vote; Councilpersons Patrick, Lefkovits, Dawson, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none: (Resolution No. 152 - 14)

TAX OVERPAYMENT - APPEALS - AUTHORIZING REFUNDS

(See Resolution Book No. 19 - Page No. 19 - 95)

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, Theodorou and Morrow voting aye and noes none.

Mayor Hughes declared that this meeting is hereby adjourned.

The Council adjourned at 8:18 p. m.

Michael J. Rohal

Michael J. Rohal,
Municipal Clerk

