

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, September 12, 2022, in the Glen Ridge council chambers 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 Morrow, Lefkovits, Mans, Law and Meyer

Absent: Councilors Hughes

The following Borough Officers' were present: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Chief Quinn, Borough Attorney Malyska and Clerk Tara Ventola.

It was moved by Councilor Morrow, seconded by Councilor Meyer, that the Minutes of the Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that was held on August 8, 2022, be approved as submitted.

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

Mayor Patrick presented the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS, Eagle Scout is the highest honor of Scouting and is achieved only through dedication, community service and hard work; and,

WHEREAS, the rank of Eagle Scout is a lifelong honor, and is respected by all persons familiar with Scouting; and,

WHEREAS, CIARAN BRACKEN of Troop 855, has stayed the course and earned the rank of Eagle Scout in which he built a vegetable garden in Freeman Garden's to supply local Food Pantries with fresh produce during the COVID-19 Pandemic. The garden produced over 150 pounds of fresh produce at a time of great need, during the summer of 2020. The produce was delivered as it became ready to Toni's Kitchen and the Human Needs Food Pantry. Additionally, Ciaran built and installed a sign for the garden to help recruit volunteers to assist with all the tasks that need to be done to keep Freeman Gardens the pride of our town; and

WHEREAS, CHRISTOPHER BROWN of Troop 855, has stayed the course and earned the rank of Eagle Scout in which he led a team to construct and replace the deteriorating garden boxes in the Benson Street Community Garden. During the COVID-19 lockdown, wood was scarce and expensive. This led to the use of concrete to fabricate eight durable and long-lasting garden boxes for growing vegetables. Chris worked closely with the Kiwanis Club for funding and was able to secure donations in kind from Home Depot and Lowe's. His project resulted in the reestablishment of a garden that produces fresh vegetables for local kitchens in the area; and

WHEREAS, TIMOTHY "ZANE" PAGANO of Troop 855, has stayed the course and earned the rank of Eagle Scout by creating a bicycle safety Education program flier which was distributed to all 2,500 households within the Borough. His service project also consisted of the installation of a self-service bicycle repair station at the Glen Ridge Train Station. This project was executed with the assistance of several Borough Departments and has quickly proven to be an asset to cyclist of all ages.

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 hereby proclaim Sunday, September 18, 2022 to be "**Glen Ridge Eagle Scout Day**" in The Borough of Glen Ridge in honor of the achievement of these young men, and I call upon all of our citizens to recognize, respect and congratulate them, and their Troop leaders for their accomplishments.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Gordon Leavitt, 131 Hillside Avenue thanked the Mayor and Council, Public Works Department, the Chief and Police Department and Michael Zichelli, Borough Administrator for quickly installing the signs on and near the Hillside Avenue Bridge. He stated construction has begun on the library kiosk project and many historic bricks were found buried on the site. He also inquired about the Borough and the Friends of the Library hosting a second shredding day in the fall due to several inquiries.

Francis Mielach, 33 Willow Street submitted and read aloud a letter in reference to September 11th ceremonies.

RESOLUTION NO. 121-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Claims be approved, and Warrants be drawn for the same:

CURRENT FUND	\$453,858.43
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$58,223.93
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$37,801.41
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$76,101.62
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$10,654.85
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$129,428.74
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$98,046.59
STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND	\$0.00
DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST 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 Sept 15, 2022.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 122-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF NOT EXCEEDING \$2,480,000 BONDS OF THE Borough of Glen Ridge, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE TO THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS AGREEMENTS, ALL PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY WATER BANK FINANCING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Local Unit"), has determined that there exists a need within the Local Unit to provide for lead service water-line replacement, fire hydrant repairs and replacement and the implementation of a Water System Asset Management Plan (the "Project") as defined in each of that certain Loan Agreement (the "I-Bank Loan Agreement") to be entered into by and between the Local Unit and the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (the "I-Bank") and

that certain Loan Agreement (the "Fund Loan Agreement", and together with the I-Bank Loan Agreement, the "Loan Agreements") to be entered into by and between the Local Unit and the State of New Jersey, acting by and through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (the "State"), all pursuant to the New Jersey Water Bank Financing Program (the "Program");

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has determined to finance the acquisition, construction, renovation or installation of the Project with the proceeds of a loan to be made by each of the I-Bank (the "I-Bank Loan") and the State (the "Fund Loan", and together with the I-Bank Loan, the "Loans") pursuant to the I-Bank Loan Agreement and the Fund Loan Agreement, respectively;

WHEREAS, to evidence the Loans, each of the I-Bank and the State require the Local Unit to authorize, execute, attest and deliver the Local Unit's Bonds, to the I-Bank (the "I-Bank Loan Bond") and the Local Unit's Bonds, to the State (the "Fund Loan Bond", and together with the I-Bank Loan Bond, the "Local Unit Bonds"), said Local Unit Bonds to be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,480,000, pursuant to the terms of the Local Bond Law of the State, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the Revised Statutes of the State (the "Local Bond Law"), other applicable law and the Loan Agreements;

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-27(a)(2) of the Local Bond Law allows for the sale of the I-Bank Loan Bond and the Fund Loan Bond to the I-Bank and the State, respectively, without any public offering, and N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9(a) allows for the sale of the I-Bank Loan Bond to the I-Bank without any public offering, all under the terms and conditions set forth herein;

WHEREAS, the I-Bank and the State have expressed their desire to close in escrow the making of the Loans, the issuance of the Local Unit Bonds and the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreements, all pursuant to the terms of an Escrow Agreement (the "Escrow Agreement") to be entered into by and among the I-Bank, the State, the Local Unit and the escrow agent named therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by a 2/3 vote of the full membership of the governing body of the Local Unit as follows:

Section 1. The I-Bank Loan Agreement, the Fund Loan Agreement and the Escrow Agreement (collectively, the "Financing Documents") are hereby authorized to be executed and delivered on behalf of the Local Unit by either the Mayor or the Chief Financial Officer in substantially the forms on file with the Local Unit Clerk, with such changes as the Mayor or the Chief Financial Officer (each an "Authorized Officer"), in their respective sole discretion, after consultation with counsel and any advisors to the Local Unit (collectively, the "Local Unit Consultants") and after further consultation with the I-Bank, the State and their representatives, agents, counsel and advisors (collectively, the "Program Consultants", and together with the Local Unit Consultants, the "Consultants"), shall determine, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution of such Financing Documents by an Authorized Officer as determined hereunder. The Local Unit Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to the execution of the Financing Documents by an Authorized Officer of the Local Unit as determined hereunder and to affix the corporate seal of the Local Unit to such Financing Documents.

Section 2. The Authorized Officers of the Local Unit are hereby further severally authorized to (i) execute and deliver, and the Local Unit Clerk is hereby further authorized to attest to such execution and to affix the corporate seal of the Local Unit to, any document, instrument or closing certificate deemed necessary, desirable or convenient by the Authorized Officers or the Local Unit Clerk, as applicable, in their respective sole discretion, after consultation with the Consultants, to be executed in connection with the execution and delivery of the Financing Documents and the consummation of the transactions contemplated thereby, which determination shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of each such certificate or other document by the party authorized hereunder to execute such certificate or other document, and (ii) perform such other

actions as the Authorized Officers deem necessary, desirable or convenient in relation to the execution and delivery thereof.

Section 3. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-27(a)(2) of the Local Bond Law and N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9(a), the Local Unit hereby sells and awards its I-Bank Loan Bond to the I-Bank and its Fund Loan Bond to the State, in a total aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,480,000, all in accordance with the provisions hereof. The Local Unit Bonds have been referred to and are described in bond ordinance #1688 of the Local Unit finally adopted on October 22, 2018, entitled "Bond Ordinance Providing for the Preparation and Implementation of an Asset Management Plan and GIS Mapping for the Water System in and by the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$100,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$100,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance the Cost Thereof" and bond ordinance #1690 of the Local Unit finally adopted September 24, 2018, entitled "Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Improvements to the Water System in and by the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$2,380,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,380,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance the Cost Thereof" The aforementioned ordinance was finally adopted by the Local Unit at a meeting duly called as set forth above, at which time a quorum was present and acted throughout, all pursuant to the terms of the Local Bond Law and other applicable law.

Section 4. The Chief Financial Officer of the Local Unit is hereby authorized to determine, in accordance with the Local Bond Law and pursuant to the terms and conditions established by the I-Bank and the State under the Loan Agreements and the terms and conditions hereof, the following items with respect to the I-Bank Loan Bond and the Fund Loan Bond:

- (a) The aggregate principal amounts of the I-Bank Loan Bond and the Fund Loan Bond to be issued;
- (b) The maturity and annual principal installments of the Local Unit Bonds, which maturity shall not exceed 30 years;
- (c) The date of the Local Unit Bonds;
- (d) The interest rates of the Local Unit Bonds;
- (e) The purchase price for the Local Unit Bonds; and
- (f) The terms and conditions under which the Local Unit Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities.

Section 5. Any determination made by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to the terms hereof shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution and attestation of the Local Unit Bonds by the parties authorized under Section 4 hereof.

Section 6. The Local Unit hereby determines that certain terms of the Local Unit Bonds shall be as follows:

- (a) The I-Bank Loan Bond shall be issued in a single denomination and shall be numbered R-1. The Fund Loan Bond shall be issued in a single denomination and shall be numbered R-2;
- (b) The Local Unit Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form and shall be payable to the registered owners thereof as to both principal and interest in lawful money of the United States of America; and
- (c) The Local Unit Bonds shall be executed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer under official seal or facsimile thereof affixed, printed, engraved or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Local Unit Clerk.

Section 7. The I-Bank Loan Bond and the Fund Loan Bond shall be substantially in the form set forth in the I-Bank Loan Agreement and the Fund Loan Agreement, respectively.

Section 8. The law firm of McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC is hereby authorized to arrange for the printing of the Local Unit Bonds, which law firm may authorize McCarter & English, LLP, bond counsel to the I-Bank and the State for the Program, to arrange for same. The Local Unit auditor is hereby authorized to prepare the financial information necessary in connection with the issuance of the Local Unit Bonds. The Mayor, the Chief Financial Officer and the Local Unit Clerk are hereby authorized to

execute any certificates necessary or desirable in connection with the financial and other information.

Section 9. The terms of the Local Unit Bonds authorized to be set forth by the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with Section 2 hereof shall be ratified by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the full membership of the governing body of the Local Unit.

Section 10. The Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer are hereby severally authorized to execute any certificates or documents necessary or desirable in connection with the sale of the Local Unit Bonds, and are further authorized to deliver same to the I-Bank and the State upon delivery of the Local Unit Bonds and the receipt of payment therefor in accordance with the Loan Agreements.

Section 11. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 12. Upon the adoption hereof, the Local Unit Clerk shall forward certified copies of this resolution to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, bond counsel to the Local Unit, and Richard T. Nolan, Esq., McCarter & English, LLP, bond counsel to the I-Bank.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 123-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF BONDS OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING NOT TO EXCEED \$2,480,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT FOR SALE TO THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK.

BE IT RESOLVED By the Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-26(f), the Bonds of the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Borough") authorized pursuant to the bond ordinances of the Borough heretofore adopted and described in Section 2 hereof shall be combined into a single and combined issue of Bonds in the principal amount of \$2,480,0000 for sale to the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank and the State of New Jersey, acting by and through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to the New Jersey Water Bank.

Section 2. The principal amount of Bonds authorized by each ordinance to be combined into a single issue as above provided, the bond ordinances authorizing the Bonds described by reference to the number, the improvement description and the date of adoption, and the period or average period of usefulness determined in each of the bond ordinances are respectively as follows:

Principal Amount of Bonds	Number of Ordinance	Description of Improvement and Date of Adoption of Ordinance	Useful Life
\$100,000	1688	Providing for the preparation and implementation on an Asset Management Plan and GIS Mapping for the Water System, finally adopted October 22, 2018.	15 years
\$2,380,000	1690	Providing for various improvements to the Water System, finally adopted September 24, 2018.	37.5 years

Section 3. The following matters are hereby determined with respect to the combined issue of Bonds:

- a. The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of Bonds presently authorized to be issued pursuant to each of the bond ordinances and the respective periods or average period of usefulness therein determined, is not less than 36.59 years.
- b. The Bonds of the combined issue shall be designated "Utility Bonds" or any such other designation as may be required by the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank and shall mature within the average period of usefulness herein determined.
- c. The Bonds of the combined issue shall be sold and issued in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law applicable to the sale and the issuance of bonds authorized by a single bond ordinance and accordingly may be sold with other issues of bonds.

Section 4. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- a. None of the Bonds described in Section 2 hereof has been sold or issued heretofore, and the several bond ordinances described in Section 2 have not been rescinded and now remain in full force and effect as authorizations for the respective amounts of Bonds set opposite the descriptions of the bond ordinances in Section 2.
- b. The several purposes or improvements authorized by the respective bond ordinances described in Section 2 hereof are purposes for which bonds may be issued lawfully pursuant to the Local Bond Law and are all purposes for which a deduction may be taken in any annual or supplemental debt statement.

Section 5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 124-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

PUBLIC ALLIANCE INSURANCE COVERAGE FUND RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

WHEREAS, the Glen Ridge Borough hereafter referred to as "Public Entity" is a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund, hereinafter referred to as "Fund"; and

WHEREAS, said renewal membership terminates as of January 1, 2023 at 12:01 a.m. standard time, unless earlier renewed by agreement between the Public Entity and the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Public Entity is afforded the following types of coverages:

- Workers' Compensation
- Package (property, boiler & machinery, crime, auto & general liability, including Police Professional)
- Public Officials Liability
- Excess Liability
- Auto & General Liability (including Police Professional)

- Public Officials Liability
- Environmental Impairment Liability

WHEREAS, the Public Entity desires to renew said membership.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Public Entity agrees to renew its membership in the Fund for a period of three years beginning January 1, 2023, and ending January 1, 2026 at 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, and to be subject to the coverages, operating procedures, bylaws, and other organizational and operational documents of the Fund presently existing or as from time to time amended by the Fund and/or the Department of Banking and Insurance.
2. The Public Entity agrees that as a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund the Public Entity must purchase all types of coverages offered by the Fund which are applicable to the Public Entity.
3. The Public Entity hereby appoints the Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli as the Public Entity's Fund Commissioner and Lt. Dean Gnardellis as the alternate, and both are authorized to execute the renewal Indemnity and Trust Agreement thereby evidencing annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the Fund the Public Entity's renewal of its membership.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 125-21

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year ended December 31, 2021 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the *Municipal Clerk* pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the

State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Borough *Council* of the Borough of Glen Ridge, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 126-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **MANS**

APPROVING THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR THE 2021 MUNICIPAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Ridge has received a report of audit for the year ending December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Local Finance Notice No.92-15 dated July 8, 1992 requires that the Chief Financial Officer submits a Corrective Action Plan for all findings in the audit within 60 days of receipt of the Report of Audit; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has prepared a Corrective Action Plan relating to the findings of the 2021 Audit;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, does hereby approve the Corrective Action Plan for the year 2021 as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this resolution and the Corrective Action Plan to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 127 – 22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **MEYER**

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Borough of Glen Ridge to obtain the services of an electrical inspector and sub-code official in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5 -23 ; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Carmine DeLizio, license number 005192, is appointed as Electrical Inspector and Sub-Code Official.

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

Ordinance No. 1767 an Ordinance to amend Chapter 2 Section 76.020 Domestic Violence Intervention Team; was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Morrow. Clerk Ventola 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 Morrow, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1767** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Mayor Patrick declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 128 - 22

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

Be IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:74.1, et. seq., The Mayor & Borough Council approves The Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control application submitted by The Kiwanis Club of New Jersey Foundation for a Social Affair Permit for the annual OctoberFeast event to be held on October 24, 2022 at The Women’s Club, Glen Ridge, NJ.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 129-22

Offered By Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded By Councilor **MEYER**

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:74.1, et. seq., the Mayor and Borough Council approves the **Raffle License** application for an **Off-Premise 50/50 Raffle** submitted by the **Glen Ridge PBA** to be held on December 4, 2022 at 226 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 130-22

Offered By Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded By Councilor **LAW**

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:74.1, et. seq., the Mayor and Borough Council approves the **Raffle License** application for an **On-Premise 50/50 Raffle and a On-Premise Draw Raffle** submitted by the **Glen Ridge High School HSA** to be held on October 23, 2022 at 12 High Street, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 131-22

Offered by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**
 Seconded by Councilor **MANS**

IN SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE AND THEIR SOVEREIGNTY

WHEREAS, on January 21, 1990, more than 300,000 Ukrainians formed a human chain between Kyiv and Ivano-Frankivsk in an effort to bring forth unity and independence from the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS, on December 1, 1991, a national referendum in support of independence was voted upon by more than 90 percent of Ukrainian citizens, with majorities in every region; and

WHEREAS, under the guise of military exercises, the Russian military conducted a large-scale buildup in and around Ukraine in March and April 2021, leaving significant military equipment behind; and

WHEREAS, subsequent thereto, in October 2021, the Russian military conducted an even larger military backup that culminated in approximately 190,000 forces by the time of Russia’s renewed full-scale incursion on February 24, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2022, the State Duma of Russia passed a bill that was approved by President Vladimir Putin to officially recognize the self-proclaimed Luhansk People’s Republic and Donetsk People’s Republic as independent, and then ordered troops into those territories after recognizing their independence; and

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, Russian forces, enabled by Belarus, launched its unprovoked full-scale renewed invasion of the peaceful, independent country of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, it is the right of all countries to decide its own future, foreign policy and security arrangements free from outside interference and/or coercion; and

WHEREAS, also on February 24, 2022, the G7 issued a statement condemning the “large-scale military aggression by the Russian Federation against the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine”; and

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2022, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) condemned “in the strongest possible terms Russia’s horrifying attack on Ukraine”, called on Russia “to turn back from the path of violence and aggression” and reaffirmed an “iron-clad” commitment to Article 5; and

WHEREAS, the European Commission, France, Germany, Italy, the United Kingdom and Canada, along with the United States, committed to coordinated economic sanctions, including severe restrictions against Russia’s Central Bank and full blocking sanctions against Vladimir Putin; and

WHEREAS, United States leadership is integral to nations around the world in condemning and imposing costs on the Russian Federation for its illegal, full-scale, renewed invasion of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that Russian forces have targeted civilians which would constitute war crimes and crimes against humanity; and

WHEREAS, the United States, along with allies in Europe, the Indo-Pacific and others around the world, has been actively responding to Russia’s unprovoked war of aggression against Ukraine with critical military, humanitarian and financial support for Ukraine and the Ukrainian people; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has numerous residents of Ukrainian descent, some of whom are located in the Borough of Glen Ridge and neighboring communities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the Borough to support the people of Ukraine in protecting their sovereignty.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge that it:

- Unequivocally supports Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity;
- Affirms the continued use of peaceful methods including sanctions by the United States (as well as its allies and partners) to fully isolate the Putin regime economically for its unprovoked aggression against Ukraine; Supports the resistance by the Ukrainian people as long as the Russian Federation continues to violate Ukraine’s sovereignty and territorial integrity;
- Declares that the war in Ukraine, a democratic country, represents the frontline of democracy and freedom versus authoritarianism represented by Putin’s government;
- Supports the State of New Jersey’s suspension of relationships with businesses and financial institutions backed by the Russian government; and
- Stands steadfastly, staunchly, proudly and fervently behind the Ukrainian people in their fight against the authoritarian Putin regime; and
- Authorizes the display of the Ukrainian flag and/or displays (including bunting) of the Ukrainian national colors (blue and/or yellow) on public property within the Borough as determined by the Borough Administrator subject to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:3-4
- Authorizes public donations of the Ukrainian flag and/or displays (including bunting) of the Ukrainian national colors (blue and/or yellow) to be used and/or displayed, if at all, as determined by the Borough Administrator subject to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:3-4

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall forward certified copies of this Resolution to Governor Phil Murphy, members of the Legislature representing the 28th Legislative District, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 132-22

Offered by Councilor **MANS**
 Seconded by Councilor **MORROW**

RENEWAL OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AS A PARTICIPATING MEMBER OF A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING SYSTEM NAMED THE SUSTAINABLE ESSEX ALLIANCE ENERGY PROCUREMENT COOPERATIVE (SEAEPC), WITH THE TOWNSHIP 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 (“Glen Ridge”) 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 Township 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 March 28, 2022 Glen Ridge adopted Ordinance No. 1761 reestablishing 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 on September 6, 2022, Maplewood adopted Resolution No. 266-22 renewing 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, Glen Ridge has determined that it will be advantageous to the residents of Glen Ridge, 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, Glen Ridge has determined that it is in the best interests of its residents to renew its membership in 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, on April 23, 2018, Glen Ridge adopted Resolution No. 74-18 authorizing Glen Ridge to become a participating member of a Cooperative purchasing system named the Sustainable Essex Alliance Procurement Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the member municipalities and Glen Ridge has 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, 2025** 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 Glen Ridge 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 of Glen Ridge is hereby renewed as 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 Township of Maplewood as Lead Agency of the SEAEPC; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glen Ridge, is hereby authorized to execute a renewal Agreement for a Cooperative Pricing System, with the Township of Maplewood (“Maplewood”), as Lead Agency of the Cooperative Pricing System, that authorizes Glen Ridge’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 Glen Ridge, on Glen Ridge’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.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Glen Ridge shall not authorize Maplewood, as Lead Agency, to make an award of a contract to an electric power supplier on Glen Ridge’s behalf, unless and until a bid is received in response to an RFP that provides pricing for power supply for Glen Ridge’s participating residents that provides costs comparable to the cost of utility-supplier power, meets the renewable energy goals of Glen Ridge 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, 2025** (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)	Morrow	Mans	None		None		Hughes	
		Law						
	Lefkovits	Meyer						

RESOLUTION NO. 133-22

Offered by Councilor **MORROW**
 Seconded by Councilor **MEYER**

Resolution Accepting Proposal of the Township of Montclair for Interlocal Government Service for Fire Suppression Services and Approving the Execution of an Interlocal Government Service Agreement with The Township of Montclair for Fire Suppression Services in Form and Substance Consistent Therewith

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge are obliged to provide the residents of Glen Ridge with the most effective level of fire suppression services delivered in the most efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the foregoing, the Borough of Glen Ridge sought proposals for Interlocal Government Service for fire suppression services as well as supplemental proposals for the use of recreational facilities and fields; and

WHEREAS, bids were received and opened on August 18, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the **Township of Montclair, New Jersey** submitted the lowest responsible bid as evidenced by its proposal for Fire Suppression Services (“Montclair’s Proposal”), a copy of Montclair’s Proposal being attached hereto as Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, no supplemental bid for use of recreational facilities and fields was submitted; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Borough Council have determined that an “Inter Local Government Services Agreement” with the Township of Montclair for the fire suppression services set forth in Montclair’s Proposal will provide an excellent level of fire services to the residents of Glen Ridge at a reasonable cost and is in the best interests of the Borough of Glen Ridge; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, in the County of Essex and in the State of New Jersey, that Glen Ridge accept Montclair’s Proposal as authorized and allowed by N.J.S.A. 40-8a-1, *et seq.*; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Glen Ridge is authorized to execute the aforementioned “Inter Local Government Services Agreement” substantially in the form attached hereto as Attachment 2, the foregoing being approved by the Mayor and the Borough Council under the authority of, and in accordance with, N.J.S.A. 40-8a-1, *et seq.*; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Administrator are hereby authorized finalize the aforementioned “Inter Local Government Services Agreement” substantially in the form attached hereto as Attachment 2 and to sign the same and any and all other contract documents necessary to accept Montclair’s Proposal and to effectuate the award of this contract. The Borough Attorney shall review any and all contractual documents prepared in furtherance of the foregoing.

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

Councilor Law, Chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee thanked Jim cowan and Public Works department for getting the fields ready for the first home football game this weekend.

Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli thanked the committee that worked on executing the fire contract with Montclair. He also commented on the work over the years to reduce audit comments.

Mayor Patrick thanked John Malyska for his work on the fire contract.

Chief Quinn reported that school is open and traffic has increased throughout the Borough. The department is hosting a car seat installation event on Saturday, September 24, 2022. Chief Quinn also recognized Sgt. Romaine, Officer Holley and Caruso on National Police Woman's Day.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

No public comment was made.

It was moved by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Morrow that this meeting be adjourned. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

The Council adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Tara Ventola

Municipal Clerk