

The following Oaths of Office were preformed at 7:00 PM prior to the regular meeting of the Mayor and Council.

Municipal Clerk Ventola requested Officer Aly Ahmed to present himself for the purpose of subscribing to the Oath of Office.

Municipal Clerk Ventola requested Officer Elverth Sandoval to present himself for the purpose of subscribing to the Oath of Office.

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, June 12, 2023, in the Glen Ridge Municipal Building 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 Mans, Hughes, Lefkovits, Law, Meyer and Morrow

Absent: Councilor Mans

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

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 May 22, 2023, be approved.

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

Mayor Patrick called for written communications.

No written communications were presented.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Melissa Meyer of Ridgewood Avenue asked if Chief Quinn would be returning to the meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 105-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

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

<b>CURRENT FUND</b>	<b>\$3,270,515.17</b>
<b>FEDERAL &amp; STATE GRANT FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$41,795.00</b>
<b>WATER OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$8,734.18</b>
<b>WATER CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>POOL OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$5,742.84</b>
<b>POOL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GENERAL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
<b>PAYROLL AGENCY</b>	<b>\$53,041.15</b>
<b>STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$326.40</b>

**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 June 15, 2023.

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

**Ordinance No. 1785** an Ordinance to authorize bonds for the Borough wide water meter replacement project; was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Hughes. Municipal 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 Hughes, seconded by Councilor Law that Ordinance No. **1785** 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)		Law	None		None		Mans	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

**Ordinance No. 1786** an Ordinance appropriate capital improvement funds for various capital improvements and equipment was presented for first reading. Councilor Hughes moved that Ordinance No. **1786** be passed on first reading; the motion was seconded by Councilor Law. Mayor Patrick referred the Ordinance to the Municipal Clerk for the purposes of statutory publication and posting.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 106-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the application of **RIDGE BOTTLE KING, INCORPORATED**, trading as **Bottle King Discount Liquors**, for the renewal of a Plenary Retail Distribution License, Number **0708-44-001-010**, be and the same is hereby approved and The Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, the State of New Jersey, consenting to the issuance of said License for the period beginning on July 1, 2023 and running through June 30, 2024 for the premises located at 710 Bloomfield Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 107-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the application of **THE GLEN RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB** for the renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption License, Number **0708-33-004-001**, be and the same is hereby approved and The Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to The Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, The State of New Jersey, consenting to the issuance of said License for the period beginning on July 1, 2023 and running through June 30, 2024 for the premises located at 555 Bloomfield Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 108-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **MEYER**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the application of **MAYFIELD TAVERN PARTNERS, LLC**, trading as **FITZGERALDS 1928** for the renewal of a Plenary Retail Consumption License, Number **0708-33-005- 004** be and the same is hereby approved and the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to The Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, The State of New Jersey, consenting to the issuance of said License for the period beginning on July 1, 2023 and running through June 30, 2024 for the premises located at 13 Herman Street, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 109-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the application of **MECAP, INCORPORATED**, a Corporation, trading as **The Glen Ridge Pharmacy and Liquors**, for the renewal of a Plenary Retail Distribution License, Number **0708-44-003-005**, be and the same is hereby approved and the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to The Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, The State of New Jersey, consenting to the issuance of said License for the period beginning on July 1, 2023 and running through June 30, 2024 for the premises located at 855 Bloomfield Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 110-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **MEYER**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 33:74.1, et. seq., the Mayor & Borough Council approve the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control application submitted by **We've Got Friends** for a **Social Affair Permit** for the fundraiser to be held on **July 10, 2023** at the **Glen Ridge Country Club, 555 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey, 07028.**

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 111-23**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 9-154.1 requires that the Borough Council appoint adult school crossing guards; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has certified that the adult school guards listed in Attachment A meet the requirements stipulated in N.J.S.A. 40A: 9-154.1; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police has indicated that such adults school crossing guards are required for the upcoming school year; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the Borough of Glen Ridge to appoint the adult school crossing guards for the upcoming school year.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of Glen Ridge to appoint the adult school guards listed in Attachment A for a period from September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 with the salary as follows:

- 1. Crossing Guard \$17.25/hr.
- 2. Crossing Guards assigned to Post One \$18.25/hr.

**Attachment A**  
**Adult School Crossing Guards**  
**September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024**

Taylor, Richard  
 Calzone, Anthony  
 Liddy, Jerome  
 Ricci-Rattley, Josephine  
 Cong-Leton, Robert  
 Figueroa, Sandra  
 Gray, Geraldean  
 Ceretto, Maryanne  
 Thompson, Edith  
 Luongo, Barbara  
 O'Connor, Nancy  
 Petriello, Gerardo  
 Brown, Carl  
 Wallace, Dienna  
 Yeboah, Paul  
 Church, Urban  
 Kent, Robert

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

Councilor Hughes, Chair of the Public Safety Committee reported the Public Safety Committee had just met to review ongoing parking concerns in the area of the High School and a new map has been created.

**RESOLUTION NO. 112-23**

Offered by Councilor **Lefkovits**  
 Seconded by Councilor **MEYER**

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GLEN RIDGE'S COMMITMENT TO EQUAL, RESPECTFUL AND DIGNIFIED TREATMENT OF ALL PEOPLE, AND TO BE AN INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge is an inclusive community that welcomes diversity and believes in the safety, prosperity, equality, and hope for all who live or work in or visit our Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough recognizes the human rights of all people and actively supports an end to all forms of prejudice and discrimination based on race, ethnicity, country of origin, religion, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, or veteran status; and

**WHEREAS**, we affirm that the Borough must be a place that respects our differences and believes that diverse perspectives enhance the cultural fabric and overall prosperity of our community for current and future generations; and,

**WHEREAS**, we pledge to stand against hate and discrimination in all forms; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough and residents of Glen Ridge are committed to fostering an inclusive community through meaningful action and support of diversity; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, that:

**FIRST:** Glen Ridge  
reaffirms its policy that no department, employee or official of the Borough of Glen Ridge shall condition the provision of Borough services or benefits on matters related to race, ethnicity, country of origin, religion, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, physical or mental disability, or veteran status.

**SECOND:** We urge all the people of Glen Ridge and beyond to promote diversity and inclusion and create welcoming and affirming spaces for all.

**THIRD:** Recognize, honor and support a diverse and inclusive community where people are free to be true to themselves.

**FOURTH:** Within seven (7)  
days after passage of this Resolution, the Borough Administrator shall disseminate this Resolution to all Borough employees and officials.

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

Councilor Lefkovits, Chair of the Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee quoted the “Whiskey Speech of 1952” in honor of the liquor license renewals. He also noted that the non profit group “we’ve got friends” hosting the gold outing connects children with special needs in social situations.

**RESOLUTION NO.**

**113-23**

Offered by Councilor  
Seconded by Councilor

**LAW  
HUGHES**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE AND PSE&G FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE AIR-COOLED WATER CHILLER AT THE GLEN RIDGE MUNICIPAL BUILDING THROUGH THE PSE&G ENERGY SAVER PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, PSE&G offers an energy saver program to municipalities and businesses to upgrade their utilities while increasing energy efficiency of their equipment and saving money; and

**WHEREAS**, the program will pay for 80% of the total project cost, while the customer’s contribution is 20%, eligible for monthly payments for 60 months through PSE&G billing with 0.0% interest; and

**WHEREAS**, PSE&G conducted an energy assessment of the cooling chiller that serves the Glen Ridge Public Library; and

**WHEREAS**, the initial total project cost for the chiller replacement is **\$162,360.00**, of which the Borough would be responsible for **\$34,472.00**, or 60 monthly payments of \$541.20; and

**WHEREAS**, the improved efficiency of the system would result in an estimated yearly savings of \$2,945.58, or \$245.46 per month resulting in an estimated net increase to the Borough of \$295.74 a month for 60 months, for a total net cost of **\$17,744.40**.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mayor and Council seek to participate in the PSE&G Energy Saver Program and the Borough Administrator and Deputy Administrator are hereby authorized to enter into an installation and repayment agreement with PSE&G for the acquisition and installation of a new air-cooled water chiller for the Glen Ridge Public Library.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 114-23**

Offered by Councilor **LAW**  
 Seconded by Councilor **LEFKOVITS**

**WHEREAS, NATIONAL FUEL OIL, INC.**, 175 Orange St, Newark, NJ 07103 has a cooperative purchasing agreement with the State of New Jersey, Division of Purchasing (Contract #T0083 for Gasoline and #T1845 for diesel); and,

**WHEREAS**, The Borough of Glen Ridge is expected to purchase approximately \$120,000.00 of fuel in 2023; and,



**WHEREAS**, The Chief Finance Officer certified the availability of funds for this contract from the current fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, New Jersey does hereby approve the purchase of fuel from National Fuel Oil, Inc. and the Director of Public Works is hereby authorized to enter into a purchasing agreement.

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

Councilor Law, Chair of the Public Works Committee thanked the Public Works Committee for their efforts during the Memorial Day Parade and the Lager Run.

Councilor Meyer, Chair of the Recreation Committee reported that the GRAA and recreation department looks forward to continuing to work together.

Councilor Morrow, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee announced the Environmental Advisory Board will be hosting an info session at the Train Station about gas leaf blowers. She also thanked all involved in the Lager Run on behalf of the Community Fund.

Borough Administrator, Michael Zichelli echoed all the thankful remarks to the Police Department and Public Works Department for their efforts during the Memorial Day Parade and Lager Run.

Chief Quinn reported the High Scholl Graduation will be held on Friday and the Bloomfield Sunset Classic will be held on June 30<sup>th</sup>, expect traffic delays and road closures during these events.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Melissa Meyer of Ridgewood Avenue thanked Chief Quinn for all the events held this year.

Steven Budrock of Carteret Street requested parking be reviewed in the area of Carteret Street that has easements in the rear for parking causing limited parking for the residents.

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

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

The Council adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Tara Ventola

Municipal Clerk