

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, October 23, 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, Lefkovits, Meyer, Law and Morrow

Absent: Councilor Hughes

The following Borough Officers were present: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Lt. Faranda, Borough Clerk Tara Ventola and Borough Attorney Malyska.

It was moved by Councilor Meyer, seconded by Councilor Morrow, that the Minutes of the Meeting of The Mayor and Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge that was held on September 27, 2023, and October 10, 2023 be approved as submitted.

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

Mayor Patrick called for written communications.

No written communications were presented.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Dan Kaplan of Forest Avenue spoke in opposition of the proposed HPC ordinance on the agenda.

Geoffrey Darby, Chair of the HPC spoke in reference to the proposed changes to the Ordinance and urged the council to approve the proposed changes to the Ordinance.

**RESOLUTION NO. 155-23**

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

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

**CURRENT FUND**

**\$3,444,609.32**

<b>FEDERAL &amp; STATE GRANT FUND</b>	<b>\$1,288.07</b>
<b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>WATER OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$56,359.40</b>
<b>WATER CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>POOL OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$3,638.95</b>
<b>POOL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GENERAL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$474.00</b>
<b>PAYROLL AGENCY</b>	<b>\$14,558.75</b>
<b>STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>DOG LICENSE / ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</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 Nov 1, 2023.

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

Councilor Lefkovits, Chair of the Public Relations and Community Affairs Committee reported that the Mayor’s Gala was a well-attended successful event raising funds for the Gas Lamp Players.

**RESOLUTION NO. 156-23**

Offered by Councilor **LAW**  
 Seconded by Councilor **MORROW**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Glen Ridge seeks to pave various streets in 2023/2024; and,

**WHEREAS**, three bids were received and opened on October 19, 2023; and,

**WHEREAS**, **American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC, 818 Summer Ave, Newark, NJ 07104** submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of **\$508,685.89** for the Base Bid; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract from the current fund, NJDOT Municipal Aid 2022 and CDBG Reprogramming grants; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge hereby recommends to the New Jersey Department of Transportation that

the contract for **2022-MA-00116 (LA-2022 MA Glen Ridge Borough Glen Ridge Avenue, Sherman Avenue and Argyle Street Improvements)** in the Borough of Glen Ridge County of Essex be awarded to **American Asphalt & Trucking, LLC** whose bid amounted to \$508,685.89 subject to the approval of the Department. That the presiding officer of this body be and is hereby directed to sign for and on its behalf the contract in the prescribed form for said construction.

FIRM NAME	BASE BID TOTAL
American Asphalt & Trucking LLC	\$508,685.89
DLS Contracting, Inc	\$679,711.30
John Garcia Construction	\$728,226.67

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

**Ordinance No. 1797**, an Ordinance amending certain provisions of Chapter 15.32 of the Municipal Code of the Borough of Glen Ridge regarding alterations and construction within the Borough’s Historic District, was presented for first reading. Councilor Morrow moved that Ordinance No. **1797** be passed on first reading; the motion was seconded by Councilor Meyer. 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		Hughes	
		Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

**Ordinance No. 1798**, an Ordinance to amend Chapter 15.12 – Zoning Compliance Certificate; was presented for first reading. Councilor Morrow moved that Ordinance No. **1798** be passed on first reading; the motion was seconded by Councilor Lefkovits. 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		Hughes	
		Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

**RESOLUTION NO. 157 - 23**

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

**RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING BOARD**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, the following appointments to the Planning Board are to be made:

- **Karin Robinson** as Member for the term expiring December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 is hereby approved and confirmed.
- **Katherine Bojsza** as First Alternate Member for the term expiring December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 is hereby approved and confirmed.

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

Councilor Morrow, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee stated the Mayor’s Gala was a great event supporting the Gas Lamp Players.

Administrator Zichelli thanked Rick Mason for his service on the Planning Board and to the community.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Phil Johnson of Chestnut Hill Place encouraged clarification of the proposed HPC Ordinance.

Geoffrey Darby, Chair of the HPC expressed the commission had several revisions to the ordinance and noted the full HPC ordinance needs to be cleaned up and revised.

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

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

The Council adjourned at 8:14 PM.

Tara Ventola  
Municipal Clerk