

The Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, November 27, 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: Mayor Patrick, Councilors Mans, Hughes, Lefkovits, Meyer, Law and Morrow

Absent: None

The following Borough Officers were present: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Chief Quinn, 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 November 13, 2023.

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

Mayor Patrick called for written communications.

No written communications were presented.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

Shannon Muldowney requested a nativity scene be placed outside in front of the Municipal Building.

Administrator Zichelli described the existing piece the Borough puts out the word "JOY" with the silhouette of the nativity scene represented in the "O".

Councilor Hughes responded that the Borough has a piece representing the nativity and asked the resident to view it installed and report back to council.

Mayor Patrick suspended the regular order of business for the CDBG hearing.

Borough Administrator Zichelli reported that this was the second and final required hearing for CDBG funding and that the Borough is the only applicant at this time. The Borough will use the federal funds for ADA ramps that require updating during upcoming paving projects.

Mayor Patrick reinstated the regular order of business.

RESOLUTION NO. 164-23

Offered by Councilor **MANS**
 Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

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

CURRENT FUND	\$5,480,127.85
FEDERAL & STATE GRANT FUND	\$206.58
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	\$81,729.50
WATER OPERATING FUND	\$2,776.90
WATER CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
POOL OPERATING FUND	\$13,372.45
POOL CAPITAL FUND	\$0.00
GENERAL TRUST FUND	\$16,007.55
PAYROLL AGENCY	\$15,370.44
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 of December 1, 2023.

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

Ordinance No. 1799 an Ordinance establishing titles for employees of the Borough of Glen Ridge represented by the PBA Local 58 and fixing maximum salaries and other compensations for those titles was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Mans. 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 Mans, seconded by Councilor Morrow that Ordinance No. **1799** 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		None	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

Ordinance No. 1800, an Ordinance establishing titles for employees of the Borough of Glen Ridge represented by PBA 58A and fixing maximum salaries and other compensation for those titles, was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Mans. 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 Mans, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1800** 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		None	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

Ordinance No. 1801 an Ordinance establishing titles for employees for non-union and other employees of the Borough of Glen Ridge and fixing the 2024 maximum annual salaries and other compensations for those titles was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Mans. 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 Mans, seconded by Councilor Meyer that Ordinance No. **1801** 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		None	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

RESOLUTION NO. 165 – 23

Offered by Councilor **MANS**
 Seconded by Councilor **LAW**

BE IT RESOLVED by the council of Borough of Glen Ridge, Essex County, New Jersey, that warrants be drawn to the below listed Individuals and Mortgage Processing Service in designated amounts representing Overpayment Tax or Utility payment as following:

Block:	Lot:	Qual:	Name & Address	Date Paid	Amount
32	20		Mendoza, Alexis & Zeron, Veronica 25 Old Oak Road	07/27/2023	\$8,347.75

Refund Tax payment 4th Qtr. 2023
Homeowner remitted duplicate payment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the individuals and Mortgage Processing Service listed above have advised that they want a refund rather than applying these payments to their tax or utility account.

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

Councilor Mans Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee reported that water billing issues are being corrected and thanked all residents for their patience during the transition.

Councilor Hughes Chair of the Public Safety Committee reported that the Police Department will be performing another traffic study at Clark Street and Hillside Avenue due to recent accidents.

Councilor Lefkovits Chair of the Community Affairs and Public Relations thanked the Police Department and Public Works for all their efforts to make the Ashenfelter 8K a success. He thanked Dan Murphy for his success over the years running the race, raising just over one million dollars for the community fund.

Councilor Morrow Chair of the Planning and Development Committee thanked the Shade Tree Commission for their work on the Borough's tree inventory.

Ordinance No. 1802 an Ordinance to add Chapter 12.26 Shade Tree Commission to the Code of the Borough of Glen Ridge was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Morrow. 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 Morrow, seconded by Councilor Mans that Ordinance No. **1802** 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)	Mans	Law	None		None		None	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

Administrator Zichelli stated the Borough earned a score of 36 on the Best Practices Survey required by the State. He also offered condolences to the family of Ray Kinzel PSE&G lamplighter for over 35 years who recently passed away. He also offered condolences to the family of former Councilor Carolyn Ferguson who recently passed away. Mr. Zichelli thanked the Police Department and Public Works staff members for their efforts in the 8K held on Thanksgiving Day.

Chief Quinn announced that the PBA will be collecting Toys for Tots on December 10, 2023, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Train Station prior to the Santa Parade.

Borough Attorney Malyska stated that Bruce Ferguson also served on the Council and Board of Ed.

Chief Quinn stated the department will be participating in the grant supported Drive Sober Get Pulled Over campaign from December 1st through January 1st.

Mayor Patrick called for comments of the public.

No public comment was made.

It was moved by Councilor Meyer, seconded by Councilor Law 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		None	
	Hughes	Meyer						
	Lefkovits	Morrow						

The Council adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Tara Ventola
Municipal Clerk