

A Regular Meeting of The Mayor and The Borough Council of The Borough of Glen Ridge was held on Monday, February 26, 2024, in the Council Chambers of the Glen Ridge Municipal Building at 7:30 p. m.

Mayor Mans called the meeting to order, 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 Lefkovits, Hughes, Moody, Law, Meyer and Morrow

Absent: None

The following Borough Officers were in attendance: Borough Administrator Michael Zichelli, Chief Sean Quinn, and Borough Attorney John Malyska.

A motion offered by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Moody to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2024 Annual meeting was adopted.

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

A motion offered by Councilor Lefkovits, seconded by Councilor Moody to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2024 Annual meeting was adopted.

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

Mayor Mans presented the following proclamation: Appreciation of 30 Years of Service – Thomas Allin:

**WHEREAS**, Thomas Allin, a “lifelong Ridger,” was born and raised in Glen Ridge by Elizabeth “Betty” and Eldon Allin. He graduated from Glen Ridge High School in 1980 where he was active on the wrestling team; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 3, 1994 Thomas Allin began his career in Municipal Public Works when he was hired as a Probationary Maintenance Worker; and

**WHEREAS**, in 1994, along with starting his job at the Borough, he married the love of his life Gretchin and they settled in Glen Ridge together and in 2003 they welcomed their daughter Georgia into the family; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout Tommy’s employment with the Borough of Glen Ridge’ he has upheld many positions and dedicated himself to learning and growing with each position and is a true example of a dedicated Borough Employee; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2003 Tommy was promoted to Fleet Maintenance Supervisor where he still serves today; and

**WHEREAS**, Tommy has an encyclopedic knowledge of the Borough’s infrastructure and is often called upon to when no one else can solve the problem at hand. His vast knowledge of the Borough is matched by his extensive collection of parts and pieces that he keeps at the DPW yard.

**WHEREAS**, Tommy Allin is known to be a fixer of all things, an avid hunter and an Assistant Scout Master for BSA, and always willing to lend a helping hand; and

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2024 Tommy completed his 30<sup>th</sup> year of employment here at the Borough of Glen Ridge and we are grateful for the years of dedication and service to the Borough of Glen Ridge and The Glen Ridge Public Works Department Tommy continues to proudly provide.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that due to Thomas Allin’s dedication and commitment to the Borough of Glen Ridge, I, Deborah Mans, the Mayor of the Borough of Glen Ridge do hereby thank and commend Tommy Allin for his service and dedication to the Borough over the past 30 years and hereby proclaim Tuesday, February 27, 2024 to be “Thomas Allin Day” in the Borough of Glen Ridge.

Mayor Mans called for written communications.

Mr. Zichelli presented a letter from the Bloomfield Land Use Board regarding a public meeting about a water irrigation tank being placed at the Glen Ridge Country Club.

Mayor Mans called for comments of the public.

A Sherman Avenue resident handed out a letter objecting to the curbing material being used on Mead and Sherman Ave Road job.

Gordon Leavitt stated that the bushes at 101 Hillside need to be trimmed back from the sidewalk. The train overpass at Hillside Avenue is in disrepair and needs cleaning up as well. The library is hosting the Kenny Garrett concert this weekend at SOPAC.

**RESOLUTION NO. 53-24**

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

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

<b>CURRENT FUND</b>	<b>\$238,049.88</b>
<b>FEDERAL &amp; STATE GRANT FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GENERAL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>WATER OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$1,319.26</b>
<b>WATER CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>POOL OPERATING FUND</b>	<b>\$1,053.53</b>
<b>POOL CAPITAL FUND</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>GENERAL TRUST FUND</b>	<b>\$32,768.41</b>
<b>PAYROLL AGENCY</b>	<b>\$15,971.36</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 March 1, 2024.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 54-24**

Offered By Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded By Councilor **MORROW**

**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** submitted by the **Central School HSA** to be held on March 16, 2024 at 200 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028. (24-2)

**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 Tricky Tray** submitted by the **NJ PTA Gregory School PTA** to be held on April 19, 2024 at 219 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028. (24-3)

**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** submitted by the **Glen Ridge High School HSA** to be held on April 4, 2024 at 555 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028. (24-4)

**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 Duck Race Raffle** submitted by the **Glen Ridge High School HSA** to be held on May 18, 2024 at 224 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey 07028. (24-5)

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 55-24**

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

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING FIREWORKS DISPLAY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 21:3-3**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 21:3-3 and Borough Ordinance 1662 requires the Governing Body to authorize the display of fireworks on private property subject to the review and approval of the Municipal Fire and Police Officials;

**WHEREAS**, an application has been submitted by the **GLEN RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB** located at 555 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey to host a Fireworks Display on private property between the hours of 8:45 p.m. and approximately 10:00 p.m. on **July 4, 2024** and said application has been deemed to be in accordance with N.J.S.A. 21:3-3 and Borough Ordinance 1662;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge that that approval is hereby given for the Fireworks Display on private property of the Glen Ridge Country Club located at 555 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge, New Jersey between the hours of 8:45 p.m. and approximately 10:00 p.m. on July 4, 2024.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 56-24**

Offered by Councilor **HUGHES**  
 Seconded by Councilor **MORROW**

**WHEREAS**, The Glen Ridge Police Department has determined that there is a need to purchase two new **2024 Ford Utility Interceptor Vehicles**; and,

**WHEREAS**, The purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and,

**WHEREAS**, **Cherry Hill Winner Ford**, 250 Berlin Road, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034 has a cooperative purchasing agreement with the State of New Jersey Division of Purchasing Contract #20-FLEET-01189; and,

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge, New Jersey do hereby approve the purchase of two new 2024 Ford Utility Interceptor Vehicles from Cherry Hill Winner Ford in the amount of **\$110,204.00**.

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

**Ordinance No. 1803** an Ordinance to repeal and replace Chapter 10.16.020 Stop Sign Intersections was presented for final reading. The Ordinance title was read by Councilor Hughes. M. Zichelli reported that the Ordinance has been published and posted as required by statutes. Mayor Mans declared the meeting open for a public hearing on the Ordinance. No one wished to be heard on the Ordinance. Mayor Mans declared the Public Hearing closed. It was moved by Councilor HUGHES, seconded by Councilor Morrow that Ordinance No. **1803** be finally adopted. The Motion was adopted by an aye and no vote.

Mayor Mans declared that this Ordinance is finally adopted.

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

Councilor Moody, Chair of the Community Affairs and Public Relations Committee reported that a new Borough newsletter is forthcoming with information from all departments.

Councilor Morrow, Chair of the Planning and Development Committee stated the committee will be hosting a public info session for the Air B&B Ordinance on March 20, 2024. The Historic Preservation Ordinance will also be working on this year and will need to be revised prior to adding new requirements early spring.

Mr. Zichelli thanked Tommy Allin for his years of service to the Borough and commented on his extensive knowledge of all things Borough related.

Chief Quinn thanked Tommy for his service and assistance to the Police Department.

Mayor Mans called for comments of the public.

No public comment was made.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilor Moody, seconded by Councilor Meyer.

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

The Council adjourned at 8:29 PM.

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Municipal Clerk