

PUBLIC MEETING – Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 8:00 p.m.

There will be a Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock on Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

Agenda: (May be subject to change)

1. CALL TO ORDER /ROLL CALL

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. This Meeting was included in a list of meeting notices sent to the Bergen Record and advertised in said newspaper in January, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statue. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

In accordance with the New Jersey State Fire & Safety Code I call your attention to the lighted exit signs. In the event the alarm sounds, move in an orderly manner toward the exit nearest you and leave the building.

**Council Member O’Hagan – present
Council Member Orseck – present
Council Member Biggs – present**

**Council Member Pazan – present
Council Member Surrago – present
Council Member Nogara - present**

2. FLAG SALUTE/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council member Nogara led the Council and audience in the flag salute.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Borough Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member(s) so request it, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The one motion signifies adoption of all resolutions, received and filed letters, correspondence, reports and approval of applications and minutes.

Resolutions:

1. Resolution for Approval of Minutes (6/12/13)

Resolution No. 125-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minutes of:

Council Meeting – June 12, 2013

Be accepted as submitted.

ROLL CALL:

**Council Member O’Hagan – yes
Council Member Orseck – yes
Council Member Biggs – yes**

**Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Nogara – yes**

2. Resolution for Liquor License Renewals (2013/2014)

Resolution No. 126-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

WHEREAS, the statutory requirements as to renewal of the following Alcoholic Beverage License have been met:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that the following Alcoholic Beverage Licenses are hereby renewed by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock effective July 1, 2013.

Glen Rock Inn Corp. 0222-33-001-003	200-222 Rock Rd.	PRC	\$2,000
Pop-Dog Eats T/A Jalapenos Mexican Grille 0222-33-008-006	930 Prospect St.	PRC	\$2,000
Greek Village II, Inc. 0222-33-011-001	175 Rock Road	PRC	\$2,000
Glen Rock Café Inc. 0222-33-010-006	175 Rock Rd	PRC	\$2,000
Kilroy’s Wonder Market, Inc. 0222-44-004-001	288 Rock Rd.	PRD	\$1,630
Mitchel Liquors t/a Beekman Wines & Liquors 0222-44-005-001	246-248 Rock Rd.	PRD	\$1,630
Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co., Inc. 0222-44-003-004	939 Lincoln Ave.	PRD	\$1,630
Rock Liquors Inc. 0222-44-006-002	924 Prospect St.	PRD	\$1,630
Glen Rock Athletic Club 0222-31-009-001	221 Main St.	Club	\$150

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to the New Jersey Department of Law & Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, in Trenton, New Jersey.

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O'Hagan – yes
Council Member Orseck – yes
Council Member Biggs – yes

Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Surrago – yes
Council Member Nogara – yes

3. Resolution for Refund of Building Permit Fee (B256 L3)

Resolution No. 127-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

RESOLUTION REFUNDING BUILDING PERMIT FEE

WHEREAS, Sara Macdonald, 15 Beekman Place, Glen Rock, NJ applied for a Building Permit (permit #13-056) for construction; and

WHEREAS, after receiving the permit (13-056) the homeowner decided that construction will not be performed at 15 Beekman Place; and

WHEREAS, Sara Macdonald realizes there is a permit review fee of 20% to the Borough and request that they be reimbursed the remaining 80%;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council approves a refund of \$448.00 to Sara Macdonald for permit # 13-056.

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O'Hagan – yes
Council Member Orseck – yes
Council Member Biggs – yes

Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Surrago – yes
Council Member Nogara – yes

4. Resolution to Cancel Tax Refund or Overpayments (Various Blocks & Lots)

Resolution No. 128-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

RESOLUTION TO CANCEL TAX REFUND OR OVER PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17 allows for the cancellation of property tax refunds or delinquent amounts in the amount of less than \$10.00; and,

WHEREAS, the governing body authorizes the Tax Collector to cancel the following over payments all in year 2012: Block 1 Lot 4 amount \$3.00, and over payments in 2013; Block 12 Lot 14 amount \$.01, Block 19 Lot 17 amount \$.07, Block 61 Lot 16 amount \$.20 Block 76 Lot 8 amount \$.01, Block 151 Lot 3 amount \$.01, Block 171 Lot 14 amount \$.27, Block 201 Lot 8 amount \$.01, Block 203 Lot 16 amount \$.01, Block 212 Lot 7 amount \$.01, Block 247 Lot 5 amount \$.01, and Block 251 Lot 2 amount \$.17,

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel said tax amounts.

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O’Hagan - yes	Council Member Pazan - yes
Council Member Orseck - yes	Council Member Surrago- yes
Council Member Biggs – yes	Council Member Nogara - yes

5. Resolution Authorizing Tax Overpayment Refund (B175 L1.03)

Resolution No. 129-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Tax Collector that through a State Tax Court Appeal on Block 175 Lot 1.03 located at 5 Romary Court, there was a Settlement agreed to for the assessed value in the amount of \$1,050,000.00, valid for 2012,

THEREFORE, the amount of taxes paid by 5 Romary Court in 2012 was \$30,055.14 and with the approved change in assessment the amount should have been \$27,772.50 so that there is an over payment of \$2,282.64,

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Glen Rock hereby reimburses Randi & Tedd Kochman, owner of 5 Romary Court in Glen Rock, NJ a total check for \$2,282.64 (for 2012).

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O’Hagan – yes	Council Member Pazan - yes
Council Member Arnao - yes	Council Member Orseck – yes
Council Member Surrago - yes	Council Member Biggs - yes

6. Resolution for Chapter 159 (Alcohol Education Rehab)

Resolution No. 130-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

**Chapter 159 Resolution
Approval of items of Revenue and Appropriation
NJS 40A:4-87**

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2013 in the amount of \$2,110.99, which is now available from the State of New Jersey Alcohol Ed Rehab & Enforcement Fund in the amount of \$2,110.99.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$2,110.99 is hereby appropriated under the caption of Alcohol Education Rehab; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey Alcohol Ed Rehab & Enforcement Fund in the amount of \$2,110.99.

ROLL CALL:

**Council Member O'Hagan - yes
Council Member Orseck - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes**

**Council Member Pazan - yes
Council Member Surrigo - yes
Council Member Nogara - yes**

7. Resolution for Tax Appeal Settlement (B112 L12)

Resolution No. 131-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrigo

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT
(B 112, L 12)**

WHEREAS, there is pending before the Bergen County Board of Taxation an appeal of the 2013 assessment in the matter of Cedar Holding Associates by USPS, Tenant-Taxpayer v. Borough of Glen Rock (Appeal No. 22-1300150L).;

WHEREAS, incorporated with the 2012 Stipulation of Settlement of 2011 and 2012 tax years for Tax Court Docket Nos. 015308-2011 & xxxxxx-2012, was the agreement to reduce the 2013 assessment to a total of \$810,000.00 ; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor, has advised the Governing Body that the change to the 2013 assessment had not been adjusted prior to the acceptance of the 2013 tax assessment by the Bergen County Board of Taxation, thereby necessitating the filing of the pending appeal by the taxpayer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council as follows:

1. The Mayor and Council, in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation of Settlement filed in Tax Court for Docket Nos. 010019-2011 & xxxxxx-2012, specifically as to the 2013 assessment, do hereby ratify the following settlement of the pending Bergen County Board of Taxation (Appeal No. 22-1300150L).

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>BLOCK/ LOT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ORIGINAL ASS'MENT</u>	<u>SETTLEMENT</u>
Cedar Holding Associates	112/12	2013	\$810,000.00	

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O'Hagan – yes	Council Member Pazan - yes
Council Member Orseck - yes	Council Member Surrago – yes
Council Member Biggs – yes	Council Member Nogara – yes

8. Resolution Calling for a Ban on Fracking Waste – *Read Separately*

9. Resolution for Payment of Bills

Resolution No. 132-13

Offered by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following bills of the Borough of Glen Rock be paid in the amount of \$ 5,943,938.49.

GR Payroll	\$ 1,012,124.64
GRBOE	3,336,124.00
NJSHBP	180,376.00
P.S.E. & G.	48,981.23
Bergen Cty. Dept. of Health	14,259.06
Adv. Disposal	23,276.19
Rachles/Michele's	17,112.36
Lerch, Vinci & Higgins	23,500.00
NW Central Dispatch	82,592.41
SUBTOTAL	\$ 4,738,345.89
Miscellaneous	139,347.67
General Capital	100,345.43
Trust/Other	4,336.00
Payroll	952,387.89
Escrow	1,850.00
Dog Trust	7,325.61
Total Payment of Bills	\$ 5,943,938.49

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O'Hagan – yes	Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Orseck - yes	Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes	Council Member Nogara - yes

Motion to accept consent agenda by Council Member Pazan

Seconded by Council Member Surrago

ROLL CALL:

**Council Member O’Hagan – yes
Council Member Orseck - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes**

**Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Nogara – yes**

At this time, Resolution #8 was read by Council member Biggs, which was brought forward and supported by the Environmental Commission.

Resolution No.: 133-13

Offered by Council Member: Biggs

Seconded by Council Member: O’ Hagan

RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A BAN ON FRACKING WASTE

WHEREAS, the hydraulic fracturing (fracking) for natural gas involves the use of chemicals and hazardous materials during construction, drilling, hydraulic fracturing, gas production and delivery, well maintenance, and workover operations; and

WHEREAS, hydraulic fracturing of underground geologic formations is often accomplished by injecting a complex mix of fluids and chemicals, including large volumes of water under very high pressure to create fractures in gas bearing geologic formations; and

WHEREAS, many of the chemical constituents injected during hydraulic fracturing have documented adverse health effects and/or adverse environmental impacts; and

WHEREAS, there have been more than 1,000 documented cases of water contamination near fracking sites; and

WHEREAS, wastewater from fracking may contain radioactive elements and other toxic components and has been discharged into rivers that supply drinking water for millions; and

WHEREAS, use of these hydraulic fracturing mixes may expose air, aquifers and adjacent land and surface waters to the risk of contamination through spills and accidents, open pit storage, truck transport on roadways, and activities during well development; and

WHEREAS, wastewater, wastewater solids or sludge, drill cuttings and/or other byproducts from the fracking process are known to contain toxic levels of contaminants, including unknown quantities of undisclosed chemical additives used in hydraulic fracturing fluid, as well as contaminants from sources underground; Benzene, naphthalene, formaldehyde, cadmium, mercury, arsenic, total dissolved solids, and radioactive material, such as radium, are among the known contaminants; and

WHEREAS, methods of treatment and disposal for fracking waste do not eliminate the risks that hydraulic fracturing wastewater, wastewater solids or sludge, drill cuttings and/or other byproducts pose to human health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, A575/S253 that would prohibit treatment, discharge, disposal, or storage of waste from hydraulic fracturing in New Jersey passed the NJ Legislature in June 2012 with strong bipartisan support, ; and

WHEREAS, Governor Christie vetoed A575/S253 in September 2012; and

WHEREAS, protection of Glen Rock’s air, water supplies and resources is better accomplished by prevention of contamination and environmental degradation, rather than attempting to clean up contamination and restore degraded environments after the fact; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on the 26th day of June, 2013, the Borough of Glen Rock supports a statewide and national ban on the treatment, disposal and transport of dangerous fracking waste in New Jersey and preventing our drinking water supplies from being used for fracking;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough of Glen Rock will send a copy of this resolution to our NJ Assembly and Senate members alerting them to our concerns with fracking waste and urging them to support an override of Governor Christie’s veto of A575/S253. PASSED, APPROVED, AND EFFECTIVE on this 26th day of June, 2013.

ROLL CALL:

**Council Member O’Hagan – yes
Council Member Orseck - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes**

**Council Member Pazan – yes
Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Nogara - yes**

4. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Council member Biggs commented there will be new functionality to the borough website and secondly urged residents to sign up for borough notifications.

Council member Nogara commented that the borough will be receiving funds from a PSE&G grant to plant specific tree species that would be shorter and not interfere with wires.

Council member O’Hagan reported that Police Officer Pyatak competed in a police motorcycle competition to which he placed first in all three categories. Officer Pyatak was commended for his persistence and dedication to getting motorcycles for the GRPD.

Council member Pazan urged residents to take advantage of the air-conditioned Library. The community garden is in full bloom with 25 plots of organic gardening occurring.

Council member Surrago stated street paving will begin late July for the following streets: Glen, Delmar, Hillman, Andover, Beekman, Grove, Franklin and Radburn. DPW continue to address trees that have been identified as potentially dangerous. DPW has started cleaning debris from Sycamore Park. DPW will remove several dangerous trees located at Wilde Park once Shack is finished. The logs which were piled at the landfill after Hurricane Sandy have finally been ground up and removed. The Borough Administrator has been working with PSE&G concerning intrusive lighting along the road leading to the Recycling Center.

Council member Orseck commented that the Arboretum held a Fishing Derby on June 15 with approximately 40 children participating. Fishing experts were on hand to give advice both before and during the derby. Council member Orseck noted some of the improvements that have been done through the recreational groups, as well as scholarships. The pool is open and enjoyed by many residents and their guests every day. The Summer Shack Program will also operate for six

weeks. Beginning this evening, June 24th, there will be a themed pool party every Wednesday night through July for elementary to early middle school-aged children.

Mayor van Keuren noted the Village of Ridgewood and Borough have been in discussion exploring the opportunities and drawbacks of the Village potentially storing their DPW equipment at the water treatment facility. The Borough is working with the Village so we understand what they have in mind and, jointly, explore any opportunities.

Motion to accept reports as filed:

**Motion by Council Member O’Hagan
Seconded by Council Member Surrago**

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O’Hagan – yes	Council Member Pazan - yes
Council Member Orseck – yes	Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes	Council Member Nogara – yes

5. ORDINANCES

Ordinance Procedure: # 1685 (Water Use Restrictions)

Date of Final Reading: June 26, 2013

Date of Introduction: June 12, 2013

A motion to open public discussion on this ordinance was made by Council member Orseck, seconded by Council member Nogara. All were in favor.

Jim Seaton – Ferndale Avenue – Mr. Seaton questioned what the restrictions were. Mayor van Keuren explained there are various stages with various restrictions. Watering is allowed on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday for even numbered properties and Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday for odd numbered properties. There are no hour restrictions and it is no longer odd/even watering days.

Cindy Mehallow, Chair Environmental Commission – Cindy commented that to use our water supply as a source of irrigation is a heavy drain on a water supply that is already stressed. Cindy would love to see greater reduction in the use of water for irrigation. She believes it is unfortunate there are no hour restrictions, as watering should be done early or late in the day. Cindy commented there does not seem to be an active enforcement agency with these restrictions. The requirement of rain sensors on irrigation systems would be an extremely pro-active approach.

Mayor van Keuren noted the suggestions given are not part of this ordinance; however they are of enough substance to warrant our attention with a possible amending ordinance.

A motion to close the public discussion on this ordinance was made by Council member Orseck, seconded by Council member Nogara. All were in favor.

Council Resolution # 134-13

Introduced: Council Member Orseck

Seconded Council Member Nogara

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 225 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK - 1971 AS AMENDED ENTITLED "WATER" BEING AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE LIMITS, RESTRICTIONS AND REGULATES THE USE OF WATER BY CUSTOMERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEWOOD DURING PERIODS OF EMERGENCY

Be passed upon second and final reading, and that the Borough Clerk be, and is hereby authorized and directed, to advertise the same according to law by publishing the same by title in the Bergen Record.

ROLL CALL:

Council Member O'Hagan - yes	Council Member Pazan - no
Council Member Orseck – yes	Council Member Surrago - yes
Council Member Biggs - yes	Council Member Nogara - yes

**BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK
ORDINANCE NO. 1685**

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council, the Borough of Glen Rock, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section I - Chapter 225 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Glen Rock 1971 as amended being an Ordinance entitled "Water" is hereby amended as to the following:

I. Section 225-5 Entitled "Regulations" is deleted in ths entirety and replaced with the following:

"225-5. Regulations
"A.

<u>Stage</u>	<u>Condition</u>	<u>Drought/Emergency</u> <u>User Restrictions</u>
I	Moderate	Mandatory restriction of irrigations to Tuesday, Thursdays, and Saturdays for properties with odd-numbered addresses and Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays for properties with even-numbered addresses. Irrigation using a hand-held hose shall be allowed at any time. No irrigation shall be allowed on Mondays except for the use of a hand-held hose.
II	Severe	Mandatory

restriction of irrigation to Tuesdays and Saturdays for properties with odd-numbered addresses and Wednesdays and Sundays for properties with even-numbered addresses. No irrigation shall be allowed on Mondays, Thursdays or Fridays, except for the use of a hand-held hose. Irrigation using a hand-held hose shall be allowed at anytime.

III

Pending/Critical Mandatory restriction of irrigation the use of a hand-held on Tuesdays and Saturdays for properties with odd-numbered addresses and Wednesdays and Sundays for properties with even-numbered addresses. No irrigation of any kind shall be allowed on Mondays, Thursdays, or Fridays.

IV

Critical Irrigation is prohibited at any time. Exceptions for irrigation using a hand-held hose may be allowed under conditions prescribed by Village Manager or the Village of Ridgewood.

B. Stage I emergency regulations shall be effective each year beginning June 1 through August 31. Stage II, Stage III and Stage IV emergency regulations shall become effective upon declaration of each state by the Village Manager of the Village of Ridgewood. "Alternate-day irrigation" shall be defined as follows: irrigations of the properties with odd-numbered address shall be permitted on odd-numbered days. Exceptions to the user restrictions, such as for irrigation of new lawns or shrubs, for cleaning cars or houses, filling swimming pools or other such outdoor water usage, shall be determined by the Village Manager of the Village of Ridgewood. Private Wells shall be exempt from these regulations, provided that said well is first registered with the Local Division of Health of the Borough of Glen Rock.

Section II. **VALIDITY-SEVERABILITY** If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance but such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the section, paragraph, subdivision or clause directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered.

Section III All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

Section IV This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage as required by law.

Mayor van Keuren asked Cindy Mehallo to elaborate on a subject brought forth at the work session, that being the clean-up of the Main Line Train Station.

Cindy Mehallo introduced Chris Leishear who took the initiative to plan and implement a plan to clean-up the Main Line Train Station. Chris noted in his travels that the station could use some landscaping and cleaning up. He and Naomi Gamorra spent a Saturday removing various dead trees and pruning some of the existing native plants. Future plans for rain barrels and additional pruning are planned.

Mayor van Keuren and members of the Council thanked Chris for his initiative in getting this accomplished.

6. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: (Before speaking at the meeting, each person must state their name and address. 5 minute limit)

Chris Leishear, 19 Wilson – Mr. Leishear expressed concern with the potential 2.5 million that would be required of the Borough to take over the Game On Glen Rock (GOGR) turf field initiative. Mr. Leishear stated there doesn't seem to be a lot of data as to who is for this and who is against. Hopefully, once the financing options are determined that information is given to the public and then a more educated decision can be made.

Council member Nogara stated the Finance Committee is in the early stages of looking at financing options. Council member Nogara added that if the Borough were to provide financing we would most certainly be looking for contributions from each of the sports groups to help offset the debt service involved. Under no circumstance has it been discussed that the taxpayers would be picking up the full cost. Once the financials are determined that information will be made public, to which their comments will be sought.

Council member Orseck commented that the sports groups are fully onboard in terms of contributing to the cost of the turf field.

Tom Boxley, 3 Daryl Court – Mr. Boxley believes 2.5 million on top of the taxes we already pay is irresponsible. When GOGR first approached the Council we were told the Borough would not pay a single cent toward the installation/maintenance of this field. Mr. Boxley asked how we went from paying nothing to 2.5 million.

Mayor van Keuren stated the Council has been presented with many states of need. Additionally, the group which hoped to raise the funds for this field has found they will be unable to do so. Mayor van Keuren questioned if the Council should respond to the need, while significant, it is not justifiable. Mayor van Keuren reiterated it is not the intention of the Borough to cover the total cost but rather be heavily subsidized by the user groups.

Mr. Boxley asked how much money GOGR has actually raised.

Mayor van Keuren replied he believes the amount to be approximately \$60,000-\$75,000, which does not include the annual "user fee" to be paid by the user groups.

Mr. Boxley commented he does not understand why this one group is getting so much attention.

Mayor van Keuren responded this group is getting attention due to the condition of the fields but more importantly because of the large number of children playing recreational sports.

Council member Nogara reiterated that the Council is simply looking at the numbers, absolutely no definitive plans have been determined.

Mr. Boxley suggested this issue be put forth in a referendum for the residents to decide.

Council member O'Hagan commented that the Game On Glen Rock group is not supported by the Council and is a totally independent group from the Borough.

Cindy Mehallow, Chair of the Environmental Commission – Mrs. Mehallow called attention to an extensive report submitted and prepared by the Commission to the Council on the environmental and safety risks of turf field in this location. This report was based on conversations with the Borough Engineer, various universities, Rutgers's Water Resource Program, turf field experts and numerous other professionals knowledgeable in turf fields. Mrs. Mehallow highlighted various portions of their report; one in which the Master Plan states preservation of adjacent land to the Diamond Brook should be maintained which a turf field in this location does not. Secondly, does this field comply with the Stormwater Management ordinance to which the proposed turf field location is problematic as it is partially located in a flood zone. Faber Field helps mitigate flooding from Diamond Brook as stormwater is permitted to absorb into the field. The Borough Council's first responsibility is to protect the economic investment of property owners. Mrs. Mehallow noted Ridgewood High School's turf field, which is located next to this same stream, was severely damaged when it was flooded. Mrs. Mehallow strongly urged the Council to find an alternative location.

Robert Freudenrich, 575 Rock – Mr. Freudenrich commented that recently General French visited Glen Rock and presented American flags to various Borough groups. The flag was appropriately framed and is now "collecting dust". Mr. Freudenrich asked the Council to consider displaying this flag in the lobby of the Municipal Building with an area made available to collect food for our military families.

Jim Seaton, Ferndale Avenue – Mr. Seaton thanked resident Sylvia Rabacchi for the letter she wrote opposing the turf field. Mr. Seaton noted when temperatures rise the rubber in turf fields will emit an odor, which means there is a gas.

Doris Ciaramella, 15 Austin Place – Mrs. Ciaramella commented that the article in the paper regarding the turf field led the public to believe the Council was moving forward with the field funding. Mrs. Ciaramella was pleased to hear the Council is simply investigating the possibility.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the public meeting made by Council member Surrago

Seconded by Council member Orseck

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.