

**BOROUGH OF GLEN ROCK**

**PUBLIC MEETING – Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at immediately following work session**

**There will be a Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 immediately following the work session via Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83223585376>

**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.**

**ROLL CALL:**

<b>Council Member Martin – present</b>	<b>Council Member Kreibich - present</b>
<b>Council Member Barchetto – present</b>	<b>Council Member Gilbreath – present</b>
<b>Council Member Dill – present</b>	<b>Council Member Unzaga - present</b>

**2. FLAG SALUTE/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Council Member Unzaga led the audience and Council in the flag salute.**

**Council Member Kreibich led the Moment of Silence in remembrance of George Floyd, Brionna Taylor and other victims of systemic racism and Police brutality.**

**3. PUBLIC HEARING ON 2020 BUDGET**

**A motion to open public hearing on 2020 Budget was made by Council Member Kreibich, seconded by Council Member Dill. All in favor.**

**No public comments.**

**A motion to close public hearing on 2020 Budget was made by Council Member Kreibich, seconded by Council Member Dill. All in favor.**

**BUDGET RESOLUTION**

**Resolution No. 137-20**

**Offered by Council Member: Kreibich**

**Seconded by Council Member: Dill**

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**BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the 2020 municipal budget is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations and**

authorization of the amount of

- (A) \$14,659,662 (Item 2 Below) for municipal purposes, and
- (E) \$ 896,835 (Item 5 Below) for Minimum Library Levy

**1. General Revenues**

Surplus Anticipated	\$ 1,650,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated	2,554,788.34
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	389,000.00

**2. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Municipal Purpose** 14,396,919.00

**3. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for School in Type I District**

**5. Amount to be Raised by Taxation for Minimum Library Levy** 896,835.00

**TOTAL REVENUES** \$ 19,887,542.34

**6. General Appropriations**

Within "CAPS"

(a&b) Operations Including Contingent	12,910,340.00
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures- Municipal	1,749,322.00

Excluded from "CAPS"

(a) Operations – Total Operations Excluded from "Caps"	\$ 2,090,930.34
c) Capital Improvements	100,000.00
d) Municipal Debt Services	1,965,225.00
e) Deferred Charges – Municipal	0
m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,071,725.00

**TOTAL Appropriations** \$ 19,887,542.34

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin – yes  
Council Member Barchetto - yes  
Council Member Dill - yes

Council Member Kreibich – yes  
Council Member Gilbreath – yes  
Council Member – Unzaga – yes

**5. 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 requests 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 Payment of Bills**

**Resolution No. 138-20**

**Offered by Council Member Martin**

**Seconded by Council Member Barchetto**

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that the following bills of the Borough of Glen Rock be paid in the amount of \$2,389,748.76**

<i>GLEN ROCK BOARD OF ED</i>	1,970,668.00
<i>GLEN ROCK BOROUGH PAYROLL</i>	363,018.84
<i>MISC</i>	53,477.82
<i>TOTAL CURRENT FUND</i>	
<i>CAPITAL FUND</i>	1,700.00
<i>TRUST</i>	884.00
<i>GRAND TOTAL</i>	\$ 2,389,748.66

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin - yes	Council Member Kreibich - yes
Council Member Barchetto – yes	Council Member Gilbreath – yes
Council Member Dill - yes	Council Member Unzaga – yes

**2. Resolution for Approval of Minutes**

Resolution No. 139-20  
Offered by Council Member Martin  
Seconded by Council Member Barchetto

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**BE IT RESOLVED, that the Minutes of:**

**PUBLIC MEETING 4/13/20  
Work Session and Closed Session 4/13/20**

**Be accepted as submitted.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin - yes	Council Member Kreibich - yes
Council Member Barchetto – yes	Council Member Gilbreath – yes
Council Member Dill - yes	Council Member Unzaga – yes

**3. Resolution for Pride Month**

Resolution No. 140-20  
Offered by Council Member Martin  
Seconded by Council Member Barchetto

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**WHEREAS**, On June 27, 1969 the New York City Police Department raided the Stonewall Inn, a bar that was frequented by members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender, or LGBTQ community; and

**WHEREAS**, The Stonewall Riots marked the beginning of the liberation movement that transformed the oppression of LGBTQ people into calls of pride and action, and LGBTQ Pride Month, where we commemorate the events of June 1969 and commit to achieving equal justice under the law for LGBTQ Americans; and

**WHEREAS**, Glen Rock has a proud LGBTQ community, from all walks of life, which has the right to feel safe and not live with fear of harassment and persecution and not be discriminated against; and

**WHEREAS**, LGBTQ youth are four times more likely to attempt suicide than their straight peers, and more than 1/3 of LGBTQ youths have attempted suicide and nine out of ten LGBTQ youths report harassment at school, and three-fifths report feeling unsafe at school; and

**WHEREAS**, all people deserve to live with dignity and respect, free from fear and violence, and protected against discrimination, regardless of their gender identity or sexual orientation. During LGBTQ Pride Month, we celebrate the proud legacy LGBTQ individuals have woven into the fabric of our Nation, we honor those who have fought to perfect our Union, and we continue our work to build a society where every child grows up knowing that their country supports them, is proud of them, and has a place for them exactly as they are; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the COVID19 crisis, our local community is prohibited from holding an in-person gathering to demonstrate our support and respect for our LGBTQ community, the Mayor and Council would like to recognize by this resolution the month of June 2020 as LGBTQ Pride Month in Glen Rock.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough Council, we do hereby proclaim June 2020 as LGBTQ Pride Month in Glen Rock.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Council Member Martin - yes**  
**Council Member Barchetto - yes**  
**Council Member Dill - yes**

**Council Member Kreibich - yes**  
**Council Member Gilbreath - yes**  
**Council Member Unzaga - yes**

**4. Resolution Authorizing Estimate Tax Bills**

**Resolution No. 141-20**

**Offered by Council Member Martin**

**Seconded by Council Member Barchetto**

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**Authorizing the Borough of Glen Rock Tax Collector to Prepare and Mail Estimated Tax Bills in  
Accordance With P.L. 1994 c.72**

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WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Rock will have a public hearing regarding its scheduled budget adoption on June 10, 2020 and the Bergen County Tax Board is unable to certify Glen Rock's tax rate at this time and the Borough of Glen Rock's Tax Collector will be unable to mail the Borough's 2020 tax bills on a timely basis; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Glen Rock's Tax Collector and Chief Financial Officer have computed an estimated tax levy in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3, and they have signed a certification showing the tax levies for the previous year, the tax rates and the range of permitted estimated tax levies; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 72, P.L. 1994, the Governing Body of the Borough of Glen Rock requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the estimated tax levy confirming with the 105% listed below. Approval will enable the Borough to meet its financial obligations, maintain the tax collection rate, provide uniformity for tax payments, and save the unnecessary cost of interest on borrowing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Glen Rock in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June 2020 as follows:

1. The Borough of Glen Rock's Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and issue estimated tax bills for the Borough for the third installment of 2020 taxes. The Tax Collector shall proceed upon approval from the director and take such actions as are permitted and required by P.L. 1994, c. 72 (N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2 and 54:4-66.3).
2. The entire estimated tax levy for 2020 is hereby set at \$72,698,225.00
3. In accordance with the law, the third installment of 2020 taxes shall not be subject to interest until the later of August 10, 2020 or the twenty-fifth day after the date the estimated bills were mailed. The estimated tax bills shall contain a notice specifying the date on which interest may begin to accrue.

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin – yes	Council Member Kreibich – yes
Council Member Barchetto - yes	Council Member Gilbreath – yes
Council Member Dill - yes	Council Member Unzaga – yes

5. Resolution for Tax Appeal Refund (B 175 L 1.05) - *PULLED*

6. Resolution Allowing Temporary Outdoor Dining

Resolution No.: 142-20

**Offered by Council Member: Martin  
Seconded by: Barchetto**

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**WHEREAS, in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor of New Jersey has issued a series of Executive Orders with the purpose of protecting the health and welfare of the residents of the State of New Jersey; and**

**WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 104 limited the scope of service and hours of operation for restaurants and certain retail establishments; and**

**WHEREAS, Executive Order 107, among other things, limited the operation of restaurants other dining establishments to take-out services; and**

**WHEREAS, the Governor through additional Executive Orders has commenced relaxing the restrictions on businesses as New Jersey has worked to flatten the curve of the virus; and**

**WHEREAS, the Governor has announced phase 2 of the opening of the businesses in the State of New Jersey on June 15, 2020, allowing outdoor dining in an effort to allow restaurant establishments to continue operations while being mindful of the ongoing pandemic; and**

**WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock have a desire to provide assistance and every available opportunity to their restaurants and business owners within the municipality to succeed and thrive during this difficult time; and**

**WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock during an emergent time understands the necessity to relax certain zoning ordinances in an effort to assist the restaurants and dining establishments within the Borough of Glen Rock by relaxing such zoning ordinances and creating a temporary methodology wherein outdoor dining permits can be provided for such eating establishments without the necessity of appearing before the appropriate land use boards or amendment of the existing zoning ordinances and outdoor dining ordinance of the Borough of Glen Rock;**

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glen Rock as follows:**

- 1. Food service businesses shall be permitted to put a few tables in front of their location as long as it does not impede pedestrian movement or access to the store by non-diners purchasing pick up and a schematic for said tables shall be presented to the Looking Ahead Committee for approval; and**
- 2. Food service businesses shall be permitted to apply for a spot in the Borough's outdoor eating space behind the Alcove and any other closed eating areas created by the Borough; and**
- 3. Food service businesses already possessing a liquor license shall be permitted to serve alcohol in their adjacent outdoor dining area as well as in the Borough's outdoor eating space as long as alcohol is transported in closed containers and the business has appropriately been granted a liquor license expansion permit in accordance with law; and**

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4. Patrons of food service businesses not in possession of a liquor license may bring their own alcohol to outdoor dining areas adjacent to said businesses or to the Borough’s outdoor eating space; and
5. Food service businesses shall be permitted to enter into an agreement with their landlord to create private dining on private property as the landlord sees fit while maintaining the same standards in #1; and
6. Such permits shall be sought through the office of the Borough Clerk on a form generated by the Borough of Glen Rock and valid through October 1, 2020.

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin – yes	Council Member Kreibich – yes
Council Member Barchetto - yes	Council Member Gilbreath – yes
Council Member Dill - yes	Council Member Unzaga - yes

**Motion to accept consent agenda by Council Member Martin**

**Seconded by Council Member Dill**

**Roll Call:**

Council Member Martin - yes	Council Member Kreibich - yes
Council Member Barchetto – yes	Council Member Gilbreath – yes
Council Member Dill - yes	Council Member Unzaga – yes

**5. Resolution for Tax Appeal Refund (B 175 L 1.05) - *PULLED AND VOTED SEPARATELY***

**Resolution No. 143-20**

**Offered by Council Member Martin**

**Seconded by Council Member Barchetto**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL REFUND  
(B 175 L 1.05)**

**WHEREAS, there has been an appeal of the 2019 tax assessment to the Tax Court of New Jersey (Docket No. 004714-2019) in the matter of 9 Romary Ct. also known as Block 175 Lot 1.05,**

**WHEREAS, a Judgement was issued on April 8, 2020 by the Tax Court of New Jersey on Block 175 Lot 1.05 in which the 2019 assessment was reduced from \$1,190,300 to \$1,145,000,**

**WHEREAS, the 2019 total tax due was reduced to \$33,995.05 and the amount previously collected was \$35,340.01 resulting in an overpayment of \$1,344.96,**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The CFO is authorized to issue a refund check for the year 2019 in the amount of \$1,344.96 to Spiotti & Esposito, P.C. – Attorney Trust Account on behalf of the Homeowners Richard Brookler (EtAl) of 9 Romary Ct.**

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Member Martin - yes	Council Member Kreibich - yes
Council Member Barchetto - yes	Council Member Gilbreath – recuse

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**Council Member Dill - yes**

**Council Member Unzaga – yes**

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**Council Member Barchetto, Public Safety Liaison read the following statement:**

*The recent protests and vigils in support of Black Lives Matter, including the moving march held in Glen Rock, are a call to self reflect and to take action as needed. In terms of Public Safety, the NJ State Attorney General has started a review of policies that have not been examined in 20 years. Our own GRPD has made many improvements over the last 5 years. In light of the review undertaken by our State AG and other leaders, in addition to requests from residents, we propose that the governing body of Glen Rock in conjunction with our public safety partners continue to review our policies, identify any gaps and take action as appropriate. This does not at all denote a lack of support for the GRPD or our public safety partners. Rather, we feel it is our duty as elected leaders to lead and support all of our departments to ensure we are all doing everything possible to achieve equity.*

**Mayor Morieko stated this statement was in response to numerous emails received by residents. The Glen Rock Police Department has our confidence and appreciation. They are applauded for their professionalism and allowing protests to remain peaceful. Our emergency services and volunteers are greatly appreciated. As issues arise, they will be addressed.**

**Council Member Martin thanked the DPW for their hard work.**

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**6. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC (Before speaking at the meeting, each person must state their name and address. 3-minute limit.)**

**No public comments.**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion to go into a closed session to discuss legal issues and affordable housing was made by Council Member Barchetto  
Seconded by Council Member Gilbreath  
All were in favor.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:59pm.**