

**GLEN ROCK BOROUGH  
VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETING  
December 16, 2020**

**Present:** Rollin Apgar, Veronica Broadwater, Joseph DiCandeloro, Jason Loudermilk, Victoria Ribeiro and Doug Young

**Others Present:** Evan Gabel, Esq.; John Trout\*, Mayor; Jason Brenneman, PE\*, Ann Merrick, Sec/Treas, and three visitors.

**The meeting was Called to Order** at 7:01PM by President D. Young.

President D. Young informed Council that Gov. Wolf signed a Winter Weather Proclamation and asked Council members to stop by the office to sign Glen Rock Borough's Declaration of Disaster Emergency Form, which is necessary to be in place, if the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania provides financial assistance for those greatly affected by this specific Winter Storm.

**No Public Comment**

**Announcements**

1. Council President D. Young announced an Executive Session toward the end of the meeting to discuss personnel and litigation matters.

**Vacancies**

1. There is one vacancy on the GR Zoning Hearing Board.
2. There is one vacancy on the GR Planning Commission.
3. GR Water & Sewer Authority will have one vacancy beginning January 1, 2021.

**Approval of Minutes**

1. R. Apgar moved to approve the November 18, 2020 Council Minutes seconded by V. Ribeiro. Motion carried.

**Borough Engineer's Report**

1. Atlantic Stormwater may begin the Mill Race project in mid-January.
2. 2020 CDBG Hanover Street improvement project funds have been increased to \$200,000; when Commissioners approve, the Agreements will be forwarded to the Borough.
3. Two projects are being submitted for the 2021-2023 CDBG Grant cycle:
  - a. Hanover Street: Hill Street to 231 Hanover Street, and
  - b. 13-43 Baltimore Street.R. Apgar moved to adopt Resolution 2020-25, authorizing the filing of applications for funds with YCPC for 2021-2023 CDBG program, seconded by J. DiCandeloro. Motion carried.
4. TRG is developing signal plan and ADA Ramps to submit to Penn DOT for approval as part of the ARLE Grant.
5. J. Brenneman suggested the Borough work with property owner of 24 Valley Street to repair the collapsing wall along the stream and Valley Street; several options are available to make these repairs, including Rip Rap, Gabion Baskets and/or replacing the wall with concrete or K-stone.

\*J. Brenneman left the meeting at 7:40 PM.

### **Police Commission Report**

1. Commission is requesting the Borough purchase \$318,532 (8.19 PPU's) of services for 2021; Borough budgeted \$298,063 (7.65 PPU's). This difference is \$20,469. The Commission is proposing to provide each fulltime member with a portion of the healthcare rebate funds: GR Borough's portion is \$20,469 and would like GR Borough to give the rebate funds back to the Commission. V. Ribeiro moved to accept the Commission's proposal to use the 2020 Healthcare Rebate funds of \$20,469 to purchase 8.19 PPU's for 2021, seconded by V. Broadwater. Three Council members voted in favor; three Council members voted against. Mayor J. Trout voted in favor to break the tie; motion carried.
2. V. Ribeiro moved to withdraw from SRPD services in 2022, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion was withdrawn after discussion of current Intergovernmental Agreement and procedures outlined, including but not limited to the minimum of one-year written notice to SRPD and Commission members must be mailed on or before October 1 to withdraw in 2022.
3. V. Ribeiro moved to begin the process toward withdrawal from SRPD services, ending December 31, 2022, to follow the procedures as outlined in the current Intergovernmental Agreement, seconded by J. Loudermilk. V. Broadwater, J. Loudermilk and V. Ribeiro voted in favor; R. Apgar, J. DiCandeloro, and D. Young voted opposed. Mayor J. Trout voted opposed, breaking the tie; motion failed.
4. IGA meeting in December was canceled.

### **Old Business**

1. Speed Bumps project is making progress.
2. Legislation approved SB1214 and is now adopted as Act 135. Restrictions have been lifted for the sale of 25.16-acre parcel on Rockville Road. D. Young thanked Rep. Kate Klunk and her team for completion of this project.
3. Veterans Park Committee will be contacting new contractors/companies to help complete the project.

### **Solicitor's Report**

1. District Justice action has been filed for 138 Park Avenue.

### **Ordinance Violation Report**

1. All violations have been cleared for 20 Edgehill Road without any additional enforcement.
2. 2021 Rental License report was provided. Two property owners submitted written requests for their late fees to be waived. J. Loudermilk moved to collect their late fees and donate the fees to the Police Dog, seconded by V. Ribeiro. V. Broadwater, J. Loudermilk, and V. Ribeiro voted in favor; R. Apgar, J. DiCandeloro and D. Young opposed. Mayor J. Trout voted opposed, breaking the tie; motion failed.
3. R. Apgar moved to waive the late fees for the two rental property owners who requested waived fees, seconded by J. DiCandeloro. R. Apgar voted in favor; V. Broadwater, J. DiCandeloro, J. Loudermilk, V. Ribeiro and D. Young voted opposed. Motion failed.
4. J. Loudermilk moved to collect the late fees from the two rental property owners and donate the funds to the GR Hose & Ladder, seconded by V. Ribeiro. R. Apgar, V. Broadwater, J. DiCandeloro, J. Loudermilk and V. Ribeiro voted in favor; D. Young opposed. Motion carried.

### **Recreation Board Report**

1. V. Broadwater provided an update from recent Rec Board meeting:
  - a. Sending Thank You notes to sponsors and volunteers;
  - b. No large events planned until spring, 2021;
  - c. Searching for Director and Counselors for Summer Playground Program;
  - d. Discussed concerns with teens and/or young adults at the park after dark, and
  - e. Considering more lighting for the park.

### **No Work Supervisor's Report**

#### **Secretary's Report**

1. V. Ribeiro moved to adopt Resolution 2020-26, appointing Hamilton & Musser, P.C. as an independent auditor for year ending 2020, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.
2. J. Loudermilk moved to adopt Resolution 2020-27, providing supplemental appropriations and transfers for accounts with over-expended balances, seconded by V. Ribeiro. Motion carried.
3. V. Ribeiro moved to authorize the GR Treasurer to closeout 2020 Fiscal Year, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.
4. J. Loudermilk moved to authorize the transfer of \$9000 from Rental Fund to General Fund for budgeted expenses, seconded by V. Ribeiro. Motion carried.
5. V. Ribeiro moved to authorize Thomas J. Anderson & Associates, Inc. to begin preparation of 2021 Act 205 Actuarial Valuation Report for Municipal Pension, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.

### **No Animal Control Officer's Report**

#### **Zoning Officer's Report**

1. SPCC issued two zoning permits, one building permit and completed eighteen rental inspections: fifteen passed, and three failed for November, 2020.

#### **Mayor's Report**

1. Two YC Sheriff Officer's are scheduled to work Christmas Eve for GR Carolers event.

### **No Building and Property Report**

### **No Public Safety Report/No Ordinance Committee Report**

### **No Special Projects Report**

#### **Finance Report**

1. V. Ribeiro moved to adopt Resolution 2020-28, fixing the tax rate for 2021 to 3.45 mills and 0.10 mills for emergency services, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.
2. R. Apgar moved to adopt the 2021 budget as advertised, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.
3. D. Young presented the invoices over \$500.00 for payment through the General Fund. V. Ribeiro moved to pay the following invoices over \$500.00, using the General Fund, seconded by J. Loudermilk:
  - a. CGA Law Firm \$ 2076.00

b. General Code	1609.98
c. James R. Holley & Associates, Inc.	815.00
d. Ream, Carr, Markey, Woloshin & Hunter, LLP	550.00
f. South Penn Code Consultants	2250.00
Motion carried.	

**New Business**

1. Borough received Animal Control Services Agreements from K. Erdman and M. Klugh. V. Ribeiro moved to authorize Attorney E. Gabel to review agreements for discussion and decision in January, 2021, seconded by V. Broadwater. Motion carried.

**No President's Report**

**Executive Session**

\*\*Council recessed to Executive Session at 8:32 PM to discuss personnel and probable litigation.

\*\*The Council meeting resumed at 8:43 PM.

**Personnel Report**

1. V. Ribeiro moved to grant the rollover of any unexpended Vacation hours for fulltime employees due to possible weather interruptions for R. McCullough and Covid disruptions for A. Merrick, seconded by J. DiCandeloro. Motion carried.
2. V. Ribeiro moved to approve employee bonuses as budgeted for 2020, seconded by J. DiCandeloro. Motion carried.

**No Public Comment**

V. Ribeiro moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 PM, seconded by J. Loudermilk. Motion carried.

**Respectfully submitted,**

Ann E. Merrick  
Secretary/Treasurer