

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 24, 2008**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, March 24, 2008, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Mayor Baruffi presiding. Mayor Baruffi led the flag salute and announced that this meeting was being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and notices of this meeting have been provided to the Press of Atlantic City, the Daily Journal and the Atlantic County Record as well as having been posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

PRESENT: Councilpersons Andaloro, Baker, Martinelli, Cugini, and Zappariello, Richard Tonetta, Acting Solicitor and Maryann Coraluzzo, Borough Clerk

ABSENT: Councilman Santagata and Robert De Santo, Solicitor

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTERS: BUENA REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Representatives from the Buena Regional School District were present to give an update on their budget process to date.

Mayor Baruffi met with Senator Jeff Van Drew to discuss matters affecting the Borough. The Senator assured the Mayor that he will give his endorsement on the extraordinary aid for 2008.

Mayor Baruffi will be attending a meeting with Mr. Joe Maher of Atlantic County on March 25th to discuss improvements to the Route 54 and Route 40 corridor. An update will be given at a future meeting.

The Mayor also reported that meetings will be held with Ken Pustizzi and Dave Armanini regarding the future of the newly acquired 51 acres on Brewster Road.

On March 28, 2008, New Jersey Mayors will be attending a protest against cuts made to the Governor's budget in Trenton.

RESOLUTION 39-08 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOSEPH ROSEMONT JR. TO THE POSITION OF SEASONAL LABORER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE MARCH 25, 2008
m/Baker s/Andaloro

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

RESOLUTION 40-08 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND ADOPTING THE ATLANTIC COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND LOSS CONTROL PROGRAM.
m/Martinelli s/Baker

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

RESOLUTION 41-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF LITIGATION RELATIVE TO CERTAIN SETTLEMENT ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE CITY OF ATLANTIC CITY AND VARIOUS ENTITIES OF THE TRUMP ORGANIZATION
m/Martinelli s/Baker

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

RESOLUTION 42-08 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JACOB JAMES RUGA TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE MARCH 24, 2008 AT THE RATE OF \$12.21 PER HOUR
m/Cugini s/Martinelli

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

RESOLUTION 43-08 A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING REMINGTON, VERNICK & WALBERG ENGINEERS AS BUENA BOROUGH CONSULTANTS FOR THE SMART FUTURE 2008 GRANT
m/Zappariello s/Baker

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

RESOLUTION 44-08 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MATTHEW MOLNAR TO THE POSITION OF FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE MARCH 24, 2008
m/Cugini s/Zappariello

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

Douglas Adams, Chief of Police, gave a brief report on the police operations to date.

RESOLUTION 45-08 BOROUGH OF BUENA 2008 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET
m/Martinelli s/Baker

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

NEW BATHROOMS BLEACHERS AT BRUNO MELLINI PARK

The project is complete and close out is in process.

Mazzoni Property

The State's September 22, 2004 response indicated that they would require further off-site groundwater investigation. We have received \$85,622 in additional NJDEP grant funds to complete the site investigation.

Central Avenue Sidewalk and Lighting Improvements

We received NJDOT final reimbursement and the project is in the maintenance period.

Bathroom Improvements at Bruno Mellini Park

Complete project funding was received from ACIA and the project is in the maintenance period.

2003 CDBG- Summer Street Playground

Complete project funding was received from ACIA and the project is in the maintenance period.

Reconstruction of Muccio, Ott & Martinelli Drives

Arawak Paving Co. has substantially completed the project. The work is in good condition with the exception of one area of settlement near the southern intersection of Muccio Dr. and Martinelli Ave.

Reconstruction of Laurel Street - 2007 State Aid

We have awarded a contract to Asphalt Paving Co. of Malaga for the reconstruction of Laurel Street from the Blvd. to Summer Ave. The work is currently on hold and will resume in the spring due to weather conditions.

Additional Items

- Lauren Court subdivision site work is ongoing. The developer has received a soil conservation approval.
- Final approval of the Minotola Estates project is being delayed due to NJDEP permit requirements. The developer is proceeding at risk anticipating the NJDEP approvals.
- Sherwood Forest Homes has substantially completed site improvements. The construction schedule of this project is unknown at this time.
- The DCA has approved a portion of the Commerce Center redevelopment area. We are completing a plan for the NJDCA approved area.
- The Route 54 Redevelopment Plan will have to be amended as a condition of Pinelands certification.
- We have completed work on the class B recycling permit for the landfill. We have submitted the permit to NJDEP. NJDEP is now request a modification of the Atlantic County Solid Waste Plan.
- Council has revised the PR-3 minimum lot size per the planning board recommendation. This proposed zoning change will require Pinelands certification.

We have submitted an application to the County to extend the bike path through our new Blackwater Pond property

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)

Earth Day is being held on April 27th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the ACUA Complex on Delilah Road. The day will be full of fun and the exhibits are free. The assembly on Recycling will be held at Notre Dame Regional School on April 4th at 1:00 p.m., everyone is invited. Councilwoman Andaloro met with Bill Nimohay, Road's Supervisor to discuss the ACUA's fee for the Hazardous Waste Program for this year. This is the first time the Borough will be charged because we don't use the ACUA for waste disposal. Councilwoman Andaloro is working on a drop off site at the Borough's Convience Center for Hazardous Waste

Recycling containers have been placed at the Louise Basile Community Center as they have not been recycling. Councilwoman Andaloro is working with the Road Department to place a platform area at the Convience Center for drop off of recycling and electronics. New recycling containers have been delivered to the new senior housing building.

RECREATION: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

The Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday in our park. Children searched for Easter Eggs on the different fields. Three prizes were awarded for each of the four age levels. A great time was had by all. The next Recreation Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 2nd at 7:00 p.m. at Borough Hall.

Upcoming Events:

- April 5th Buena Baseball/Softball Association Opening Day Ceremonies at 10:00 a.m. Parade will begin at Cleary School at 9:30 a.m.
- April 5th Dare to Dream Foundation Fundraiser Dinner at Martin's Catering
- April 5th Fundraiser at Notre Dame Regional School 6:30 p.m. Super 50/50
- April 11th Atlantic County Township Officials Dinner Meeting at the Renault Winery
- April 18th 75th Anniversary Dinner - Dinner for Atlantic County League of Municipalities Dinner. Place to be announced.
- April 20th Landisville Volunteer Fire and Rescue will have breakfast fundraiser
- April 27th Earth Day Celebration at ACUA
- April 27th Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for Queen of Angels Parish/Notre Dame School

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA) none

FINANCE: (COUNCILMAN MARTINELLI)

The municipal budget was introduced at a special meeting on March 18th.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI) none

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Councilman Zappariello reported that the Borough's current Sub-code Fire Official Thomas Banyacski has agreed to take the provisional position of Fire Official.

RESOLUTION 46-08 A RESOLUTION PROVISIONALLY APPOINTING THOMAS F. BANYACSKI AS FIRE OFFICIAL FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA EFFECTIVE MARCH 24, 2008 m/Zappariello s/Martinelli

| Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent |
|--|------|---------|-----------|
| Andaloro Baker Martinelli Cugini Zappariello | n/a | n/a | Santagata |

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING: none

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the special meeting of March 6, 2008 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 10, 2008 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Minutes of the special meeting of March 18, 2008 all in favor except Councilman Cugini who abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE:

**LESA P JACKSON COMMISSIONER
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION REGARDING THE BOROUGH'S
CLEAN COMMUNITIES ENTITLEMENT IN THE
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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Martinelli s/Baker RCVU

NEXT MEETING: APRIL 14, 2008

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

MARYANN CORALUZZO, BOROUGH CLERK