

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 23, 2009**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, November 23, 2009, 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, Santagata, Zappariello, Cugini, and DeStefano, Robert De Santo Solicitor and Maryann Coraluzzo, Borough Clerk

ABSENT: all present

MAYOR'S REPORT:

RESOLUTION 105-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO POST AND FILE A SCHEDULE OF ALL MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL AS REQUIRED BY THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT OF 1975; AND DESIGNATING CERTAIN NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE SAID NOTICES AS REQUIRED UNDER THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT FOR THE YEAR 2010.
m/Cugini s/Baker

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Andaloro	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 106-09 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS FOR THE SELECTION OF VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS.
m/Baker s/Andaloro

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Andaloro	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 107-09 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 23, 2009.
m/Baker s/DeStefano

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Andaloro	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

MAYOR'S UPDATE:

Mayor Baruffi requested an end of year report from the inspections department. The zoning, enforcement and construction code officers will be present at the December 14, 2009 meeting to provide this report.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mazzoni Property

Our office is currently corresponding with the NJDEP on the next phase funding for groundwater investigation for the site and the required demolition plan for the existing structure. The NJDEP case manager has suggested documenting in our reports that the building demolition would benefit in the overall remediation of the site.

Reconstruction of Delaware Avenue (Re-Advertised) - 2009 State Aid

Council has awarded this contract to SMB Paving LLC. The contractor has completed the paving on Delaware Avenue. Only punch list items remain to complete for this project.

Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase III

Council has awarded this contract to Site Contractors, Inc. All of the paving is completed for the bike path. The contractor will be working on landscaping and the remaining items. Our office has submitted a proposal letter to the Atlantic County Department of Regional Planning to request utilizing remaining Open Space Grant funds to repair areas of the Phase I Bike Path.

FY2010 NJDOT State Aid Applications

The Borough has received a FY2010 NJDOT Municipal Aid grant for the Reconstruction of Forest Grove Road in the amount of \$190,000. Our office shall forward a proposal for the project to the Borough.

Atlantic County Improvement Authority CDBG Funding

Our office met with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority mid-year regarding the CDBG funding policy for the Borough. The FY2009 CDBG grant application was revised from the current Delaware Avenue project to Flower Street to correspond with the NJDOT FY2010 Municipal Aid grant application. The Borough was recently awarded a Municipal Aid grant for Forest Grove Road. Should the Borough decide to revise the FY2009 CDBG grant to include Forest Grove Road and cancel Flower Street, the ACIA shall require 90-100 day revision period before the funding is available.

Please note that the Borough is still eligible to utilize the \$30,222 in FY2008 CDBG grant for a future project. The FY2008 funds were not used to compound the FY2008 NJDOT grant for Franklin Street reconstruction project due to policy restraints.

Additional Items

- Sherwood Forest Homes has substantially completed site improvements. Three homes have been completed. Final site grading and restoration is being completed as the proposed homes are constructed. There are three lots remaining.
- The Commerce Center Redevelopment Plan has been adopted by Council.
- The Route 54 Redevelopment Plan will have to be amended as a condition of Pinelands certification.
- A redevelopment agreement for Block 145, Lot 8.04 of the Commerce Center Redevelopment Area is currently underway.
- Atlantic County has completed the paving of Brewster Road from US Route 40 to Summer.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)
BOROUGH OF BUENA

Councilwoman Andaloro reported that our recyclables will be picked up on Monday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker stated that we received the JAG Grant in the amount of \$14,986.00. The money will be applied to dispatch salary as well as a part will be applied for the purchase of the video camera for the court room.

The finance office is working on end of year transfers and the temporary budget for the year 2010. Input is needed from each department for the temporary budget.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

The road department itinerary was discussed. Council President Santagata reported that the representatives from the state's engineering department were at the intersection of Route 40 and Summer Road for approximately 8 hours.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Engineer Walberg will review pedestrian street crossing across Route 40. Councilman Zappariello questioned the status of the codification of the land use ordinances. Mr. Walberg stated that the creation of the new ordinances is in progress.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI)

Director Cugini informed the governing body that the vandals that caused damage on mischief night were caught but the police department incurred some overtime. The Director also stated that the three part time police officers are trained.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO)

Councilman DeStefano reported that the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place on December 12th at 7:00 p.m. Due to limited funding, the Christmas Lighting contest will not be held this year.

Upcoming events were discussed.

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING: There was no one wishing to address Mayor and Council.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of November 9, 2009 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Minutes of the executive session of November 9, 2009 were approved m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

CORRESPONDENCE:

**QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH
REQUEST FOR BINGO LICENSE NO
WAS APPROVED
M CUGINI S BAKER RCVU**

**QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH
REQUEST FOR RAFFLE LICENSE
NO WAS APPROVED
M BAKER S ANDALORO RCVU**

**GOVERNMENT WORKERS UNION
REGARDING CONTRACT
NEGOTIATIONS FOR
DISPATCHERS WILL BE HELD ON
DECEMBER 7TH COUNCIL PERSONS
ANDALORO AND CUGINI WILL
ATTEND**

CORRESPONDENCE FILED M CUCINIS BAKER RCUU
UNFINISHED BUSINESS NONE

NEW BUSINESS NONE
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BILLS PAID AS LISTED M BAKERS S APPARIELLO
RCUU

NEXT MEETING DECEMBER

MEETING ADJOURNED M CUCINIS S APPARIELLO
RCUU

MARYANN CORALUZZO BOROUGH CLERK