BOROUGH OF BUENA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 25, 2010

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, January 25, 2010, commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Council President Santagata presiding. Council President Santagata 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: Mayor Baruffi

MAYOR'S REPORT:

RESOLUTION 15-10 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A CHANGE ORDER TO AMEND A CONTRACT WITH SMB PAVING LLC., FOR ADDITIONAL WORK REQUESTED BY THE BOROUGH OF BUENA FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF DELAWARE AVENUE. m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

RESOLUTION 16-10 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING FRANK LUPPERGER TO THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 25, 2010 AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE NEW JERSEY POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION AT A CERTIFIED POLICE ACADEMY m/Cugini s/Zappariello Solicitor DeSanto advised Council to include a provision limiting the number of hours worked in the body of the resolution. It was decided that the police academy may take issue with that wording so it will not be included.

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RESOLUTION 17-10 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING EUGENE SORACCO TO THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 25, 2010 AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE NEW JERSEY POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION AT A CERTIFIED POLICE ACADEMY m/Cugini s/DeStefano

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

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A RESOLUTION APPOINTING RYAN VAN SYCKLE TO THE POSITION RESOLUTION 18-10 OF POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 25, 2010 AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE NEW JERSEY POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION AT A CERTIFIED POLICE ACADEMY. m/Cugini s/Zappariello

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

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

Punch list items have been completed for this project and we are preparing to close out the 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.

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 has 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 the 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. A meeting is being scheduled to discuss the status of these funds.

In addition, the Borough has \$31,610 in FY 2007 funds for the construction of bleachers, a community activity sign and a storage shed at the recreation fields. We will be preparing the documents to acquire these items for the Borough.

Additional Items

- Sherwood Forest Homes has completed site improvements. Home construction is ongoing. Final site grading and restoration is being completed as the proposed homes are constructed.

- The Commerce Center Redevelopment Plan has been adopted by Council.

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- 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.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: RESOLUTION 19-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD JANUARY 25, 2010. m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO) Councilwoman Andaloro met with Bill Nimohay to discuss ideas to increase recycling. Businesses will be visited to determine if additional pick up days are necessary. The mandatory hauling of solid waste to the ACUA was also discussed.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER) Councilwoman Baker reported that the Finance Office is beginning to put the 2010 budget together. Governor Christie will release the state budget on March 16th.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA) Council President Santagata provided the road department itinerary. Branch and tree pick up is ongoing.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO) Councilman Zappariello reported that the recreation commission met on January 6th. Kathy Dralle was unanimously re-elected as the chairperson. In addition, the Councilman reported that he attended a Buena Baseball and Softball Association meeting on January 14th. A lot of work is being done in the park. The senior field has been re-graded. There will be sod in the infield and as well as irrigation there.

Upcoming Events are as follows:

The American Legion Post 270 on Central Ave. will be sponsoring a St. Valentines breakfast on Sunday, February 14, from 7:30 to 11:30am. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12.

Bellview Winery - Wine and Chocolate Wine Trail Weekend -- Bellview Winery will proudly offer their wide assortment of fine estate wines for sampling in their beautiful new tasting room. Enjoy tasty chocolates from Vineland's Chocolates on Occasion. Pair their delicious dessert wines, like Raspberry or Black Currant, with delectable chocolaty baked goods. Take part in a tour of the winery or relax with your valentine and a glass of wine in their new seating area. Saturday and Sunday, February 6 and 7. Admission includes tours, tasting, chocolates and wine glass. No reservations necessary. For directions, visit www.BellviewWinery.com or call 856-697-7172 daily, 11am to 5pm. Bellview Winery, 150 Atlantic Street, Landisville, NJ 08326. Admission is \$5 per person (children are free). On Sunday, January 31 from 8am to 12noon, the Buena Regional Swim Team will be hosting a breakfast buffet at Martin's Catering on Rte. 40, Landisville. Cost is \$9 (children under 3 are free).

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The Buena Regional Education Foundation will be sponsoring its annual Night at the Races fundraiser on February 6, 2010. This year the event will be held at The Savoy and tickets will be available soon at \$35 each. See any Trustee or call 856.691.8471 for tickets.

Councilman Zappariello is planning to hold a Borough wide yard sale in the Spring.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI) Director Cugini disseminated a police performance report.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO) Councilman DeStefano reported that progress is being made on the property located at 117 S. Harding Highway. Solicitor De Santo stated that he is in the process of filing a lawsuit against the owner of record.

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Darrin Zorzi was present to get an update on progress being made to address his drainage problem on Forest Grove Road. Ed Walberg, Engineer, responded that he has spent quite a bit of time on this project and found there to be no easy fix. Mr. Walberg and Council President Santagata encouraged Mr. Zorzi to follow up again with Assemblyman Milam because the problem starts on US Route 40. Council President Santagata encouraged Mr. Zorzi to check his site plan to see if he was required to put in a retention basin to help with the problem. Everyone present was reminded that this has been a very bad year for rain and snowfall therefore most properties have flooded. Solicitor De Santo stated that interrupting the natural flow of water is not legal, even if done on one's own property.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2009 were approved m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

Minutes of the executive session of December 14, 2009 were approved m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

Minutes of the special meeting of December 28, 2009 m/Baker s/DeStefano all in favor except Councilman Cugini who abstained.

Minutes of the reorganization meeting of January 4, 2010 were approved m/Baker s/Zappariello RCVU

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. County Executive Levinson requesting attendance on February 2, 2010 for ACIA funding information. Councilpersons Baker and Andaloro will attend
- 2. Edna Bertini commending Road Supervisor Nimohay and his crew. A copy will be placed in Mr. Nimohay's personnel file.
- 3. Cynthia Mason Purdie Atlantic County Office of Cultural Affairs regarding the denial of our concert grant application was acknowledged.
- 4. Atlantic County JIF Annual Safety Incentive Program Kick Off Breakfast to be held on February 11, 2010.
- 5. Dolores Andrews, Assessing Clerk, requesting the elimination of Wednesday evening hours in the assessor's office. m/Baker s/Andaloro

Ayes:	Nays:	Absent:	Abstain:
Andaloro	n/a	n/a	Santagata
Baker			
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Correspondence filed m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Councilwoman Baker was congratulated for being selected as Volunteer of the Year by the Municipal Alliance. Councilman Zappariello was also congratulated for being elected Vice President of the Atlantic County Township Officials.

Councilman Zappariello will contact the road department supervisor to check the intersection of Muccio and Martinelli Avenues for flooding.

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Cugini

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

NEXT MEETING: February 8, 2010

Council President Santagata recessed the meeting to retire into executive session.

Council President Santagata called the meeting back to order and roll call remained the same.

RESOLUTION 20-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CONTRACT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT OF NEW JERSEY, INC., FOR A FOUR MONTH TERM COMMENCING FEBRUARY 1, 2010 AND CONTINUING THROUGH MAY 31, 2010. m/Zappariello s/Baker

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

m/Baker s/Andaloro authorizing the Borough Clerk to re-advertise the Bid Notice for the collection of solid waste in the Borough of Buena RCVU

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/DeStefano RCVU

MARYANN CORALUZZO, BOROUGH CLERK