# BOROUGH OF BUENA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 22, 2010

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, March 22, 2010, 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 Gail Knott, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Councilman Cugini

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: BUENA REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD

Dave Anderson, Board Member was present to update Council on various items relating to the District. State funding and budget issues were discussed.

PRESENTATION: BILL NIMOHAY, SAFETY COORDINATOR

Bill Nimohay, Safety Coordinator thanked everyone for there assistance with this years health and wellness plan. Plans for this year include employee once a month blood pressure testing, MEL safety videos and possibly a health wellness fair.

Charlie Gazarra, Emergency Management Coordinator was present to provide information for the recent storms and flooding. Mr. Gazzara informed everyone present that FEMA is currently collecting information from residents and municipalities to possibly help with funding on some of the damages. Mr. Gazzara will follow up with this matter at a future meeting.

ORDINANCE 568 Motion to Open the Public Hearing on:

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SECTION 3(a) OF BOND ORDINANCE NO. 482 FINALLY ADOPTED MAY 7, 2001, SECTION 3(g) OF BOND ORDINANCE NO. 536 FINALLY ADOPTED MAY 9, 2005 AND SECTION 3(e) OF BOND ORDINANCE NO. 539 FINALLY ADOPTED SEPTEMBER 25, 2006.
m/Baker s/Andaloro

Discussion: none

Motion to Close the Public Hearing: m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

Motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 568: m/Baker s/Zappariello

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent: Andaloro n/a n/a Cugini

Baker Santagata Zappariello DeStefano

RESOLUTION: 24-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND AN OVERPAYMENT TO ANDREW MUZZARELLI IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500.00 m/Andaloro s/Baker

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent: Andaloro n/a n/a Cugini

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RESOLUTION: 25-10

A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE BOROUGH OF BUENA'S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS m/Santagata s/Baker

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent: Andaloro n/a n/a Cugini

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RESOLUTION: 26-10 2010 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET

m/ Baker s/Andaloro

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent: Andaloro n/a n/a Cugini

Baker Santagata Zappariello DeStefano

RESOLUTION: 27-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN INSTALLMENT

AGREEMENT WITH BUENA BUSINESS PARK, LLC FOR PAYMENT OF

DELINQUENT TAXES m/Baker s/Andaloro

Ayes: Nays: Abstain: Absent: Andaloro n/a n/a Cugini

Baker Santagata Zappariello 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.

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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. We are proceeding 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. A meeting is being scheduled to discuss the status of these funds.

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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 have prepared the documents for the community activity sign and it appears that we may be able to solicit competitive quotations in lieu of competitive bidding to construct the sign. We have also completed the necessary documentation for the bleachers and storage building. We will be meeting with the county to obtain their approval to allow us to solicit the quotes.

## **Additional Items**

Conte's Pasta has received conditional approval to install a solar array field in the rear of their property.

Ralph Laks has received a use variance to construct a mixed use project on Wheat Road and Central Avenue

We are currently reviewing the land development ordinances for consistency with the Master Plan.

A redevelopment agreement for Block 145, Lot 8.04 of the Commerce Center Redevelopment Area is currently underway. We are waiting for a meeting with the DCA and Borough Council to discuss the status of the redevelopment designation

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

RESOLUTION: 28-10

A RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO REMINGTON & VERNICK, FOR ALL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE RECONSTRUCTION OF FOREST GROVE ROAD m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

DeStefano

The Borough Engineer will follow up with the Municipal Utilities Authority and the Atlantic County Improvement Authority on flooding issues in the Borough.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)

Councilwoman Andaloro reported the recycling in the Borough is running smooth. New residents are receiving information on trash collection and recycling.

It was also reported that the ACUA will not collect rugs but will accept nylon and foam. The regular trash pickup will take rugs that are cut up and tied.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported the Finance Office is working on the current budget.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

The Road Department itinerary was discussed.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Councilman Zappariello gave an update on the Borough's new website.

Upcoming Events:

Mar. 24 Notre Dame Regional School - macaroni dinner 6:00 p.m.

Mar. 25 Little League sign ups - 7:00 p.m. at the Louise Basile

Community Center

Mar. 27 Notre Dame Regional School - supper 50/50 tickets \$100.00 Mar. 27 Buena Regional School District - Walk for Haiti -10:00

a.m. to 1:00 p.m

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI) no report

BOROUGH OF BUENA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MARCH 22, 2010 PAGE 4 BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO)

Councilman DeStefano reported on the upcoming demolition of the Mazzoni building, the house located at 117 South Harding Highway and the old municipal building.

m/DeStefano s/Zappariello to advertised for bids to demolish the Mazzoni building, the house located at 117 South Harding Highway and the old municipal building RCVU

### PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Joe Fabrizio, 292 Wheat Road re; budget concerns, flooding issues and court collections.

### CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of March 8, 2010 were approved m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

#### CORRESPONDENCE:

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Atlantic County Mosquito Control Unit request to apply pesticides as needed m/Baker s/Santagata RCVU

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