

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 24, 2010**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, May 24, 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: all present

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: BILL NIMOHAY, SAFETY COORDINATOR  
MIKE DONATO, RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT

Bill Nimohay, Safety Coordinator thanked everyone for their 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. Mr. Donato thanked the Borough Employees and everyone for helping the Borough receive the gold medal safety incentive program award. A brief presentation on the JIF-Loss Ratio Comparisons was also given. The next JIF Safety meeting will be held on June 4<sup>th</sup> at the Big Apple Dinner.

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

PUBLIC HEARING 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

PUBLIC HEARING OPENED:  
m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

DISCUSSION: Glen Ortman, Borough Auditor, gave a brief overview of the budget process to date.

PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED:  
m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

RESOLUTION: 47-10 RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
m/Baker s/Zappariello

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

RESOLUTION: 48-10 LOCAL EXAMINATION OF BUDGET RESOLUTION  
m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

RESOLUTION: 49-10 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT 2010 MUNICIPAL BUDGET  
m/Baker s/Zappariello

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

RESOLUTION: 50-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND AN  
OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 162, LOT 3 TO RICHARD E. GUENTHER  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$98.13 m/Baker s/Zappariello

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

RESOLUTION 51-10 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM  
A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA  
TO BE HELD MAY 24, 2010 m/Santagata s/Cugini

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

**Mazzoni Property**

The NJDEP case manager has suggested documenting in our reports that the building demolition would benefit in the overall remediation of the site. We have also verified that the NJDEP has no objection to demolishing the building. We have advertized for bids to have the building to be demolished. The bids were advertized on 17 May 2010 and will be opened 8 June 2010. We will conduct a pre-bid meeting on 2 June 2010 at 11:00 for all prospective bidders. We will prepare a recommendation of award for the 14 June Council Meeting. The Borough received correspondence for the Economic Development Authority regarding funds remaining in an old outstanding grant that are still available for this site. We are working with the Clerk to preserve these funds and utilize then for completion of this project. We are also working with the NJDEP program that allows outside review of applications to speed the review process. Upon completion of the work plan review, we can apply for funding.

**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. We are processing the final change order so we can complete 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. We are compiling a punch list for the contractor for completion.

**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. The survey work is completed and we will begin the design of the project.

**Atlantic County Improvement Authority CDBG Funding**

We submitted the resolution and signed contract to the ACIA for the transfer of funds from Flower Street to Forest Grove Road. It will take about 75 days for the ACIA to approve the transfer. The transfer must be complete before we can award a contract for the work. The funds should be available around the time we are ready to advertize for bids on the contract. The funds being transferred are from FY 2008 and FY 2009. The amounts of these funds are 30,222.00 and 30,501.00 respectively.

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 discussed the Borough's plans for these items and the ACIA is satisfied with the projects. We are submitting our specifications and documents for quoting these items for review by the ACIA. We anticipate soliciting quotes in June.

The ACIA also has informed us that the borough has approximately \$30,500.00 that will be awarded to them for FY 2010. We have made application to utilize these funds for the drainage improvements on Louis Drive.

**Demolition of 117 Harding Highway and the old Municipal Building**

In conjunction with the demolition of the Mazzone Building, we solicited bids for the demolition of these two properties also. The bids were advertized on 17 May 2010 and bids will be opened on 8 June 2010. We will conduct a pre-bid meeting on 2 June 2010 at 11:00 for all prospective bidders. We will prepare a recommendation of award for the 14 June 2010 Council Meeting.

**Intersection of Martinelli Avenue and Muccio Drive**

We have completed our survey work at this intersection. We are currently working on a solution to the drainage issue at this intersection.

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

Solicitor DeSanto gave an update on the Borough's new trash contract. All collections for the Borough will be on Tuesdays. Solicitor DeSanto updated Council on the status of Buena Business Park and Minotola Estates.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)**

Councilwoman Andaloro reported a Countywide Clean-up Day was held Saturday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Councilman Zappariello and his son Gennaro assisted with the clean-up Day. A report was also given on the States Recycling Poetry Contest. A total of six entries were forwarded to the State from the fifth and sixth grades. An update will be given at a future meeting.

**FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)**

The Finance Office is working on reconfiguring employee salaries. Councilwoman Baker reported the server for Borough Offices needs to be updated. Nancy Brunini, Chief Finance Officer, disseminated information from a State Contractor to update the server system. The Finance Officer reported that the funds are in place for the upgrade.

m/Cugini s/Baker to move forward with the upgrade of the current server system.

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

**STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)**

Council President Santagata provided council with the road department's itinerary.

**RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)**

**Upcoming Events:**

May 28th Notre Dame Regional School - Alex's Lemonade  
May 28th County Vietnam Remembrance - Estelle Manor

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May 31st            Memorial Day Celebration - American Legion 9:00 a.m.  
June 3rd            Buena Regional School District - Graduation Awards  
June 12th           Run for Ricky  
June 17th           Queen of Angel's Parish - Chicken Barbeque

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

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO) no report

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Richard Marolda, 324 Vine Road re; concerns with leaf collection and the Atlantic County Health Department. Mr. Marolda receives leaves for farming from the Borough Road Department. It was reported that some residents are mixing recyclable items and garbage with the leaves. Mr. Marolda's main concern was to inform residents not to mix any other items with the leaves. Bill Nimohay, Roads Supervisor will follow up on this matter.

CLERK'S REPORT: none

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

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

NEXT MEETING: June 14, 2010

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

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GAIL KNOTT, DEPUTY CLERK