

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 11, 2011**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, October 11, 2011 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, Cugini and DeStefano, Robert De Santo Solicitor and Gail Knott, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Councilman Zappariello

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Baruffi gave an update on the recent storms and displaced families in the Borough. He reported that funds may be available through the States Blue Acres Program and also through FEMA.

Mayor Baruffi commended everyone who assisted with Buena Day.

PROCLAMATION PUT THE BRAKES ON FATALITIES DAY OCTOBER 10, 2011
m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

RESOLUTION 92-11 TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS (N.J.S.A.40A:4-87)
m/Baker s/Cugini

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

RESOLUTION 93-11 TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS (N.J.S.A.40A:4-87)
m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

RESOLUTION 94-11 TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS (N.J.S.A.40A:4-87)
m/Cugini s/Baker

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

RESOLUTION 95-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD OCTOBER 11, 2011. m/Cugini s/Baker

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

RESOLUTION 96-11 A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING FRANK DANDREA AS A COMMISSIONER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA RETROACTIVE TO SEPTEMBER 14, 2011 AND EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 13, 2016. m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mazzoni Property

The building on the Mazzoni property has been demolished. The old municipal building has also been demolished. Our office is preparing a status report for the EDA.

Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase III

The contractor has completed the remaining items on the punch list. Atlantic County has paid the final invoice for their portion of the project. We are working on the final reimbursement from the NJDOT.

FY2010 NJDOT State Aid Project

The Borough received a FY2010 NJDOT Municipal Aid grant for the Reconstruction of Forest Grove Road in the amount of \$190,000. The construction of the road is complete. There are some punch list items that need to be addressed.

Atlantic County Improvement Authority CDBG Funding

Currently funds from FY 2008, FY 2009 and FY 2010 have been allocated for the construction of storm drainage on Louis Drive. These funds total approximately \$91,223.00. We estimate the construction cost to be between \$175,000 and \$225,000. This does not include any potential cost for land acquisition.

Funds for the FY 2011 grant have been earmarked for drainage improvements to Forest Grove Road. We have not received correspondence from the County indicating the value of the grant for this year.

Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase IV

The Borough was awarded \$150,000 by the NJDOT – FY 2010 Bikeway and Pedestrian Facilities Program. The NJDOT has reviewed the plans and is requiring a review by their rail safety division. The plans are complete and ready for bidding.

Intersection of Martinelli Avenue and Muccio Drive

The contractor that will be performing the work on Forest Grove Road is also the contractor that performed the work on this project. We have discussed the problems at this intersection with the contractor and he will be performing the corrective work while he is working on Forrest Grove Road.

Forest Grove Road / Kimberly Lane Drainage

We are currently investigating grant funding opportunities to address this drainage issue.

Louis Drive Drainage

We have made application to the ACIA to divert FY 2008, 2009 and 2010 funds toward this project. Upon approval of our application, there will be approximately \$91,223.00 available in CDBG funds for this project. We have completed a preliminary design which entails piping the stormwater from Louis drive to a proposed basin in the rear of the fire station on Wheat Road. Permission is needed from the adjacent property owner to access the drainage easement to install piping from Louis Drive to the proposed basin behind the firehouse. Permission is also needed from the firehouse to construct the basin to the rear of the property.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)

Councilwoman Andaloro and Bill Nimohay met to discuss Clean Communities Funds. The purchasing of recycling bins for the walking trail, replacing a dumpster at the Landfill and replacing brooms on the street cleaner were discussed.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported that over six thousand dollars of donations were received towards Buena Day. It was a very successful day.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Bill Nimohay, Road Supervisor, was present to provide those in attendance with the road department's itinerary. The Road Supervisor will follow up with the South Jersey Gas Company's request for a list of 2012 projects in the Borough.

Councilman Santagata informed those present of the JIF Elected Officials Liability Seminar and to sign up with the Borough Clerk's Office.

The Borough Engineer will follow up with the developer of Lauren Court on Nixon Street, regarding unfinished roads in the development.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO) no report

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

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

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

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2011 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Minutes of the regular meeting of September 26, 2011 were approved m/Andaloro s/Baker RCVU

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Trick or Treat in the Borough of Buena will be on October 29, 2011 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for children 0 to 12 years old.

Correspondence filed m/Andaloro s/Baker RCVU

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Baker reminded Council Members of the Spanish Community Centers Banquet being held on October 30th.

Councilwoman Andaloro asked for an update on the Landfill closure. The Borough Engineer reported that there office is waiting for OPRA requested documents from the State and Department of Environment Protection.

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

NEXT MEETING: October 24, 2011

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

