

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 12, 2011**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, December 12, 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:

RECOGNITION                   MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ, JOHN KLINE, AUSTIN KLINE AND TED PETERS

A Certificate of Appreciation was given to Michael Rodriguez, John Kline, Austin Kline and Ted Peters recognizing there extreme efforts during Hurricane Irene.

PRESENTATION:                END OF YEAR REPORTS

John Brunini, Chairman BBMUA, presented Mayor and Council Members with the 2011 annual report for the Municipal Utilities Authority and Construction Official report.

John Keenan, Zoning Officer and Pam Johnston, Occupancy Officer gave there annual reports on Zoning and Occupancy issues for the 2011 year.

Dennis DeKlerk, Tax Assessor, gave the annual report on the status of ratables in the Borough.

Mayor Baruffi explained that the new flags and poles on Route 40 in the Borough where purchased with funds from the Recreation Commission. Mayor Baruffi commended the Recreation Department for the success of the Christmas Parade.

RESOLUTION 110-11        A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD DECEMBER 12, 2011 m/Cugini s/Baker

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

RESOLUTION 111-11        A RESOLUTION PAYING TRIBUTE AND RESPECT TO GARY LABO FOR HIS DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE BOROUGH OF BUENA. m/Baker s/Cugini

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

RESOLUTION 112-11        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	Zappariello
Baker			
Santagata			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 113-11 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF BUENA MUA FOR SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED TO THE FINANCE OFFICE AND CONSTRUCTION CODE OFFICE BY THE BUENA BOROUGH MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES' EMPLOYEES CHERYL SANTORE AND/OR DAWN SCOTT. 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. We are waiting for a response from the DCA regarding the redevelopment plan for this site and the Commerce Center Site.

**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. The punch list items have been addressed. We are working on the paperwork to close-out this project and receive final reimbursement from the NJDOT.

**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 plans are complete and ready for bidding. We are requesting authorization to bid this project.

**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 exploring additional options to correct the drainage problems at this intersection.

**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.

The Engineer announced a meeting with County and Borough representatives will be held on December 22<sup>nd</sup> to discuss drainage problems on Route 40, Central Avenue and Kimberly Lane.

RESOLUTION 114-11 BIKEPATH PHASE 4 BIDDING (BOB)

RESOLUTION 115-11 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CONTINUATION OF A BIKEPATH ALONG SOUTH BOULEVARD FROM CLARA STREET TO WEYMOUTH-MALAGA ROAD. m/Santagata s/Baker

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

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

RESOLUTION 116-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WENDY SEITZ, MUNICIPAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, TO BE A SIGNATORY ON BUENA BOROUGH MUNICIPAL COURT BANK ACCOUNTS. m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

ORDINANCE NO. 586 NEED MOTION TO INTRODUCE AND PASS ON FIRST READING

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING DONATION CLOTHING BINS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION HEREOF. m/Santagata s/Baker

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Andaloro	n/a	n/a	Zappariello
Baker			
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COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)

Councilwoman Andaloro gave an update on the poetry contest and educational components that will be paid for with Clean Community Funds. The winner will be announced at the January meeting.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported a special meeting is needed to do future transfers in budget and utility bills are much larger than we had expected.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Bill Nimohay was present and provided those present with the Road Department itinerary.

Councilman Santagata reported the No Tolerance video will be available in the Borough Clerk's Office for review.

RECREATION:(COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO) no report

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI)

Councilman Cugini reported the Police Department has not received a call back from the electric company regarding pole lights out. Mayor Baruffi will follow up with this matter.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO)

Bill Nimohay, Road Supervisor, will followup with the water leaking in the EMS building garage.

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Brian Fatcher, 102 Kimberly Lane re; flooding issues.  
William Coltry, 532 Forest Grove Road re; flooding issues.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of November 28, 2011 m/Baker s/Andaloro all in favor except Councilman Cugini who abstained.

Minutes of the executive session of November 28, 2011 m/Baker s/Santagata all in favor except Councilman Cugini who abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Notre Dame Regional School PTA request for Bingo and Raffle License No. BA01-2012, RA02-2012 and BA03-2012. m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU
2. Lori Grifa, Commissioner, regarding Review of Area in Need of Redevelopment Reconsideration of Block 145, Lot 9 and Block 133, Lot 5, was acknowledged.

Correspondence filed m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Andaloro with the addition of purchase order no. 11-0155 dated 12/01/11 payable to Borough of Buena Municipal Authority for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter diesel fuel EMS in the amount of \$1,357.07.

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
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Baker			
Santagata			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

NEXT MEETING: Special Meeting - December 20, 2011 - 5:00 p.m.  
Reorganization - January 2, 2012 - 5:30 p.m.  
Regular Meeting - January 23, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/DeStefano RCVU