

BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 23, 2011

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, May 23, 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, Zappariello and DeStefano, Robert De Santo Solicitor and Maryann Coraluzzo, Clerk

ABSENT: Councilman Cugini

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: Chief Sherma was present to introduce the new Community Policing Bike Program. An overview was given. Efforts are being made to expand on this program.

PRESENTATION: School Board Members Dave Anderson and Robert James, thanked Mayor and Council for support in adopting the school budget in April.

RESOLUTION 58-11 TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS (NJSA 40A:4-87)
m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

RESOLUTION 59-11 AWARDING A CONTRACT TO SOUTH JERSEY CCTV FOR VIDEO SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS.
m/Baker s/Santagata

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

RESOLUTION 60-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD MAY 23, 2011.
m/Santagata s/DeStefano

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Robert Crowell will be at the next meeting to give a presentation on solar energy for the Borough. Mayor Baruffi stated that we will have a special meeting on May 31st to discuss and consider introducing a bond ordinance to finish improvements at the EMS building and replace the heating and air conditioning unit at the Louise Basile Community Center. The Mayor also commended Rhonda Ciruolo for her efforts during the open house on Saturday.

EMS Supervisor Ciruolo is looking into a bike safety/helmet giveaway to be hosted at the EMS building. She will follow up with Chief Sherma on this matter. The possibility of having a community health day was also discussed.

Mayor Baruffi reported that an additional quote was received for the removal of the tanks at the former Mazzone building. Solicitor DeSanto stated that this bid can not be accepted because it was after the award of the contract. In addition, Solicitor DeSanto will follow up with the current contractor to have the executed contract returned.

Mayor Baruffi disseminated the article that appeared on NJ.com regarding the switch to Gloucester County for dispatch services.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO)

Councilwoman Andaloro and Bill Nimohay shared recycling ideas with the students of the Buena Middle School. Thanks were extended to Mr. Nimohay for his efforts in obtaining \$9,100.00 in Clean Community Funds. Nine entries were sent into the state for the Poetry Recycling Contest.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker and her husband paid for the repair of the railing at the Joe Dale Pavilion. Councilwoman Baker attended the JIF Seminar on May 18th. The seminar was about the do's and don'ts that municipalities need to be aware of when contracting services and projects to outside organizations.

Councilwoman Baker stated that the sign for the borough hall is coming along well.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Council President Santagata provided those present with the Road Department Itinerary. In addition, the Council President stated that he is moving forward with the Forestry Grant program.

Residents who reside around the former Mazzone building were advised that demolition of the property is imminent and anything being stored on the property must be removed.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Councilman Zappariello reported that Donini School will be hosting Alex's Lemonade Stand on May 27. Upcoming events were also discussed.

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

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO)

An update was given on the cameras in the park. Councilman DeStefano is hopeful that the project will be completed in three days.

A discussion ensued between Councilwoman Andaloro and Councilman DeStefano regarding the pygmy goats on Nixon Street. Councilman DeStefano stated that the owners appeared in court and the goats were found to be classified as domestic pets and not farm animals. Councilwoman Andaloro stated that the goats are going on the neighbor's property and creating a nuisance. The councilwoman was encouraged to have the complainants call themselves, officially, so that an incident report may be created.

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Sandra Zaccharia was present to inform Council that the adoption of an ordinance implementing Mercantile Licensing Fees will help organizations who are interested in fundraising and reaching out to businesses.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of May 9, 2011 were approved m/Baker s/Santagata all in favor except Councilpersons Zappariello and Andaloro who abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Ed Walberg, Engineer, requesting an amendment to their original proposal in the amount of \$4,925.00 for the Resurfacing of Forest Grove Road. (Tabled to a future meeting)

2. Legislative Bulletin was acknowledged.

Correspondence filed m/Baker s/Andaloro RCVU

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: Councilwoman Andaloro informed those present that Dennis DeKlerk, Tax Assessor, lost his brother recently.

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Andaloro

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

NEXT MEETING: June 13, 2011

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Zappariello s/DeStefano RCVU

MARYANN CORALUZZO, CLERK