

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 14, 2012**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, May 14, 2012 commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Council President Santagata presiding. Council President Santagata 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 Abba, Baker, Santagata, Zappariello, Cugini, and DeStefano, Richard P. Tonetta, Solicitor and Gail Knott Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Mayor Baruffi

MAYOR'S REPORT:

RESOLUTION 50-12 TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET (CHAPTER 159) SPECIAL ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS. m/Baker s/Zappariello

AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Abba	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 51-12 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CLICK IT OR TICKET MOBILIZATION OF MAY 21 - JUNE 3, 2012. m/Cugini s/Zappariello

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Abba	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
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RESOLUTION 52-12 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING PATRICK NEWTON, JR., AS BUILDING SUB CODE OFFICIAL TEMPORARILY EFFECTIVE APRIL 30, 2012, UNTIL THE POSITION IS FILLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CIVIL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. m/Baker s/Zappariello

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RESOLUTION 53-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN LEAD YOUR WAY SOLUTIONS, LLC, AND THE BOROUGH OF BUENA FOR ORGANIZATIONAL NEEDS ASSESSMENTS. m/Baker s/Cugini

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Zappariello			
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RESOLUTION 54-12 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF KEVIN KIRCHNER FROM THE POSITION OF BUILDING SUB CODE OFFICIAL EFFECTIVE APRIL 30, 2012. m/Cugini s/Baker

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RESOLUTION 55-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH REMINGTON, VERNICK & WALBERG, ENGINEERS, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,500.00 TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR INSPECTION AND MATERIALS TESTING FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA BIKE PATH PHASE IV. m/Baker s/DeStefano

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RESOLUTION 56-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT TO REMINGTON, VERNICK & WALBERG ENGINEERS FOR INSPECTIONS & TESTING SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA BIKE PATH PHASE IV IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,400.00. m/Santagata s/Baker

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ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mazzoni Property/Commerce Center Redevelopment

It is our understanding that the DCA has approved the designation of this site and the Commerce Center Site as a redevelopment area. We have not received a copy of any correspondence confirming this designation. Upon receipt of correspondence confirming the designation, we can amend the redevelopment plan to include any conditions that may have been imposed by the DCA.

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 \$190,000.00. The construction of the road is complete. The punch list items are almost complete. We are working on the paperwork to closeout this project and receive final reimbursement from the NJDOT.

Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase IV

The Borough was awarded \$150,000.00 by the NJDOT - FY 2010 Bikeway and Pedestrian Facilities Program. The Borough awarded this contract to Arawak Paving Company, Inc. in the amount of \$138,600.00. We conducted a pre-construction meeting with the contractor. The contractor will have 45 days to complete the contract.

Forest Grove Road / Kimberly Lane Drainage

Funds for the FY 2011 CDBG grant from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority have been earmarked for drainage improvements to Forest Grove Road. We have been authorized to begin investigating this drainage problem. The County requested a breakdown of our proposal and hourly rates for our staff. We have forwarded the requested information to the County so that they may enter into an inter-local agreement with the Borough.

Louis Drive Drainage

We have made application to the ACIA to divert FY 2008, 2009 and 2010 funds toward this project. These funds total approximately \$91,223.00. We estimate the construction cost to be approximately \$285,000.00. The Borough has also made application to the ACIA for FY2012 funding for the project.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILMAN ABBA)

Councilman Abba reported the Convenience Center was open on Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> and that the turnout was lighter than usual.

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported money is being received from taxpayers paying their taxes. The Audit is nearing completion. When it is completed a report will come to Mayor and Council.

Councilwoman Baker attended the Community Leader Forum at Buena Middle School along with Councilman Abba. It was stressed the needs of our children are to be addressed. Also recommended to have Community Town Watch to alert everyone in the Community to be mindful of what is going on in the town.

Councilwoman Baker and Richard Baker donated and planted twelve trays of flowers around Borough Hall, Nutrition Site (Louise Basile Community Center) and the Joe Dale Pavilion. Today two hundred Senior Citizens attended a picnic at the Buena Regional High School sponsored by the Buena Alliance of which we are a part along with Buena Vista Township and Weymouth Township.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Council President Santagata provided those present with the Road Department's itinerary.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Upcoming Events:

May 26 EMS- Fair 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

June 9 Run for Ricky

June 23 Borough of Buena Recreation - Uncle Ricky's 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI)

A Police Performance report was disseminated. The Emergency Medical Services Office and Police Department are requesting use of the Finance Office Shoprite Card for purchases if needed. The Solicitor will follow up with this request.

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

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Jeff Marolda, 105 North Nixon re; flooding issues in the Blackwater Pond Park.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of April 9, 2012 were approved m/Baker s/Cugini RCVU

Minutes of the regular meeting of April 23, 2012 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Minutes of the special meeting of April 27, 2012 were approved m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Legislative Bulletin update was acknowledged.

2. Grandparent's Association of Notre Dame Regional School request for Bingo License BA11-2012. m/Baker s/Cugini RCVU

3. Hans Lampart regarding Municipal Utility Charges at Buena Gardens Senior Apartments. Mr. Lampart is requesting a reduction of the PILOT payment. The Council Members advised Mr. Lampart to follow up with the Municipal Utilities Authority on this request since the Municipal Budget is in place.

Correspondence filed m/Baker s/Zappariello RCVU

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Abba

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NEXT MEETING: May 29, 2012

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

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GAIL KNOTT, DEPUTY CLERK