

Borough of Buena
Regular Meeting
Minutes
July 16, 2012

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, July 16, 2012 at 7:00 pm the Borough Hall with Mayor Baruffi presiding. The Mayor announced that this meeting was 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 being posted on the bulletin of the borough hall.

Present: Councilpersons Abba, Baker, Santagata, Zapparello, Cugini, and DeStefano. Also Present were: Edward Walberg, Borough Engineer, Rick Tonetta, Solicitor & Valerie Santagata-Jones, Land Use Secretary.

Absent: None.

Mayor Baruffi took a minute to ask the public for a moment of silence for the remembrance of Robert Haugen Jr. Mr. Haugen past away this week and was a borough resident and former Buena Borough Police Officer.

Ordinance No.: 593: Motion to open hearing to the public:

M: Abba S: Santagata RCVU

An ordinance amending and clarifying Ordinance No. 592, an ordinance creating the position of Buena Borough Administrator, part-time, and setting forth the duties and responsibilities for said position.

Discussion: Rick Tonetta gave a brief description on the changes involving the ordinance. The previous ordinance was unclear on the hours the administrator would be working. Mayor Baruffi also explained they would be flex hours that would total 10 hours per week not to exceed number of weeks in a calendar year.

Close the public portion: M: Cugini S: Baker RCVU

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Ayes:	Abba	Zapparello	n/a	Absent:	n/a
Nays:					

DeStefano
Cugini
Santagata

RESOLUTION 71-12:

A resolution for emergency appropriation - hiring part time administrator & temporary part time clerk, registrar, tax collector.

M: Baker S: Santagata

Ayes:	Abba	Zapparello	n/a	Absent:	n/a
Nays:					

Baker
Santagata
Cugini
DeStefano

RESOLUTION: 72-12:

A resolution to amend budget (Chapter 159) special items of revenue & appropriations (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-87)

M: Baker S: Zapparello

Ayes: Abba Nays: Abba Abstain: Abba Absent: Abba

Santagata Zapparello Cugini DeStefano

RESOLUTION 73-12: A resolution retaining the service of Lisa Garrison as interim

Borough Clerk and Tax Collector

M: Baker S: Cugini

Ayes: Abba Nays: Abba Abstain: Abba Absent: Abba

Santagata Zapparello Cugini DeStefano

RESOLUTION 74 - 12:

A resolution appointing Lisa Garrison as Registrar, for the

Borough of

Buena effective July 16, 2012

M: Baker S: Cugini

Ayes: Abba Nays: Abba Abstain: Abba Absent: Abba

Baker Santagata Zapparello Cugini DeStefano

RESOLUTION 75-12:

A resolution authorizing exclusion of the public from a meeting between Mayor & Council, Borough Administrator, and the Borough Solicitor concerning contract negotiations and personnel issues and authorizing disclosure of minutes of said meeting.

M: Baker S: Santagata

Ayes: Abba Nays: Abba Abstain: Abba Absent: Abba

Baker Santagata Zapparello Cugini DeStefano

RESOLUTION 76-12:

A resolution appointing E. James DuBois a the Administrator, for the Borough of Buena. Mayor Baruffi and a brief memo regarding the interviews and his recommendation to hire Mr. Dubois.

M: Baker S: Cugini

Ayes: Abba Nays: Zapparello Abstain: DeStefano Absent: Abba

Baker Santagata Cugini

Engineers Report:

Bike Bath, Phase III: Ed Walberg stated the contractor for the project has disappeared. He will be working with the state to finalize and close out the project.
Bike Path, Phase IV: The entire Roadway and path have been paved through to Weymouth Road.
Forest Grove Road: Close out with D.O.T. and have reimbursement for the next meeting.
Forest Grove Road & Kimberly Lane: Mr. Walberg stated that his office is working with the state on drawing up a drainage study.
Louis Drive Drainage: Mr. Walberg stated there is funding available. They will continue to work on preparing road program estimate and working with Triad Associates to try and secure grant monies for the problem area.

Solicitors Report: None

Committee Reports:

Recycling: (Councilman Abba)
Councilman Abba informed everyone that the ACVA will be open till the end of the month with extended hours to help with storm clean up.

Finance: (Councilwoman Baker)

Councilwoman Baker thanked Nancy Brunini, CFO and Cheryl Santore Deputy CFO for expediting a resolution amending our budget to appropriate money for the hiring of the interim position of Clerk/Tax Collector. Also Councilwoman Baker also thanked them for coming in after the storm during the power outage to make sure that payroll got completed on time.

Streets/ Roads: (Councilman Santagata)

Councilman Santagata reported that the road department is still steadily working on picking up debris and branches for the storm. Also reported was the right to know surveys have been received and copies will be given to Bill Nimohay.

Recreation: (Councilman Zapparello)

Councilman Zapparello completed the Road Department of the clean up of the park after the storm. All events and concerts will be able to proceed. He further reported Buena Borough Little League was playing against Franklin Twp in an all star game that evening and wishing them the best of luck.

Public Safety/ Street Lights: (Councilman Cugini)

Councilman Cugini shared the members council a monthly performance report of the police officers. He also thanked Officer John Kline in his role of Emergency Management Coordinator for all his help along with both fire departments during and after the storm.
Mayor Baruffi also gave recognition all those that helped out during and after the storm and assisting others that needed help or were without power.

Bldg/grounds/Improvements: (Councilman DeStefano)

Councilman DeStefano reported all permits have been obtained and work has begun at the former Midway Tavern site at routes 40 & 54.

Public portion of Meeting: No one from the public addressed Mayor & Council.

Clerks Report: Minutes of the June 25, 2012 tabled to a future meeting.

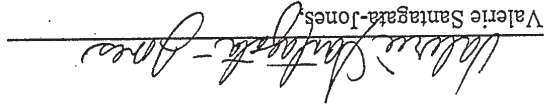
Unfinished Business: None.

New Business: None.

Bills paid as listed: M: Baker S: Abba RCVU.

Next Meeting: August 20, 2012

Meeting adjourned: M: Abba S: Baker RCVU.


Valerie Santagata-Jones