

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 23, 2015**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED: P.M. 6:37 P.M.

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, February 23, 2015 commencing at 6:30 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Council President Baker presiding. The Council President 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 Marolda, James, Baker, Cugini, and McAvaddy, Dr. Paul Trivellini, Administrator and Richard Tonetta, Solicitor

ABSENT: Mayor Baruffi and Councilman Zappariello

MAYOR'S REPORT:

ORDINANCE NO. 627 INTRODUCED AND PASSED ON FIRST READING:

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 115 ARTICLE II. FEES
FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES.
m/Cugini s/James**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena currently charges an Ambulance Transportation Fee of \$600.00 also known as BLS; and

WHEREAS, in addition, a BLS mileage charge of \$14.00 per loaded mile is also assessed; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is aware that the costs for these services has risen and agrees that the fee schedule should be amended as follows:

BLS Base Charge- \$750.00

BLS Loaded Mileage- 15.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Buena that the Mayor and Council hereby amend Chapter 115 Article II. Fees for Emergency Services to reflect the above increase. All other terms and conditions of shall remain unchanged.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as required by law.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				x
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 27-15 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLEN ASSOCIATES, 630 BREWSTER ROAD BUILDING C, VINELAND NJ, TO PERFORM A FULL REVIEW OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA'S HEALTH BENEFIT CLAIMS HISTORY AND OTHER PERTINENT INFORMATION.
m/McAvaddy s/James**

WHEREAS, health benefits costs are at historic highs in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are desirous to ensure eligible employees are receiving health, dental and prescription coverage commensurate with the costs associated; and

WHEREAS, Allen Associates have performed this type of study for various municipalities and often times found significant savings.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Buena that

Allen Associates are hereby authorized to perform a full review of the Borough's health benefit claim's history and any and all other pertinent information necessary to perform this study.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				X
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

RESOLUTION 28-15 2015 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET
m/James s/Marolda

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to providing appropriation for expenditures and no adequate provision has been made in the 2015 temporary appropriations for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for the purpose above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2015 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.40A:4-20) including this resolution total **\$1,144,324.81:**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-20:

1. Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made for the attached list of line items.
2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in 2015 municipal budget as adopted.
3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

2015

General Government:

Municipal Clerk's Office

Other Expenses 5,000.00

Governing Body

Other Expenses 2,000.00

Finance Office

Other Expenses 5,000.00

Computer Operations

Other Expenses 15,000.00

Auditors

Other Expenses 5,000.00

Land Use Board

Other Expenses 1,500.00

Insurance

Health Insurance 100,000.00

Streets and Roads:

Road Repair and Maintenance

Other Expenses 20,000.00

Statutory Expenditures:

D.C.R.P. 500.00

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				X
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Director Caregnato reported on the upcoming renewal of EMS billing.

ADMINISTRATORS'S REPORT:

Administrator Trivellini reported that the Borough's fire detection system is now fully upgraded. Funds received from the USDA Facilities Grant were used to offset the cost.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILMAN MAROLDA)

Councilman Marolda reported on potential issues on Aberdeen Avenue.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN JAMES) no report

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Council President Baker reported that the Finance Committee met with Auditor Garcia, Administrator Trivellini and Acting CFO LoGuidice to discuss the budget. A workshop will be held on March 2, 2015.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO) no report

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

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN MCAVADDY)

Councilman McAvaddy reported that rental registrations are due by February 28th. Registrations received after that date will be charged a late fee. Congratulations were extended to Council President Rosalie M. Baker who is now serving as President of the Atlantic County League of Municipalities.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING: There was no one wishing to address the governing body.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of December 15, 2014 were approved m/McAvaddy s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				X
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

Minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2015 were approved m/McAvaddy s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				x
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

Minutes of the regular meeting of February 9, 2015 were approved m/James s/McAvaddy

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				x
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/McAvaddy s/Marolda

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MAROLDA	X			
JAMES	X			
BAKER	X			
ZAPPARIELLO				x
CUGINI	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

NEXT MEETING:

NEXT MEETING: Budget Workshop March 2, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting March 9, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/McAvaddy RCVU

PREPARED BY MARYANN CORALUZZO
BOROUGH CLERK ON BEHALF OF ADMINISTRATOR TRIVELLINI