

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 23, 2017**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 6:33 P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED: P.M. 7:24 P.M.

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, January 23, 2017 commencing at 6:30 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Mayor Zappariello presiding. Mayor Zappariello 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, Walker, Baker, Mancuso, Alvarez and McAvaddy, Richard Tonetta, Solicitor and Dr. Paul Trivellini, Maryann Coraluzzo, Borough Clerk

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING:

1. Bill Coltri of Forest Grove Road questioned the salary range ordinance on the Agenda. Dr. Trivellini explained that these figures do not represent raises, only the range in which salaries can be negotiated.
2. Brian Fatcher of Kimberly has an ongoing problem with speeding on Kimberly Lane. Speed bumps are not an option. The engineer will review the matter with his traffic engineer to see what options are available.

Mr. Fatcher requested the Borough look into a grant to purchase large recycling containers. Mr. Fatcher estimated the cost to be approximately \$33.33 per can. Councilman Marolda estimated the cost to purchase these containers for the entire Borough as over \$100,000.00. Councilman Marolda will look into grant funding to assist with the feasibility of this type of purchase.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: 2016 HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST WINNERS

THIRD PLACE: JOSEPH NIGRO AND KYLE CULVER

SECOND PLACE: JEFFREY AND KATHLEEN PACE

FIRST PLACE: DOUGLAS AND PAM BRUNINI

ORDINANCE NO. 644: MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 635 THE SALARIES AND WAGES RANGES OF MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA FOR THE YEAR 2017

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Buena, in the County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that the following salary and wage ranges are hereby established for municipal officials and employees in the Borough of Buena,

Mayor	\$ 8,112.00 - \$ 8,773.00
Councilpersons	\$ 4,161.00 - \$ 4,501.00
Administrator	\$20,000.00 - \$30,900.00
Borough Clerk/Tax Collector Part Time	\$50,000.00 - \$87,550.00
Borough Clerk – Full Time	\$38,000.00 - \$56,650.00
Tax Collector – Full Time	\$38,000.00 - \$56,650.00
Deputy Municipal Clerk/Clerk 1 Full Time	\$27,000.00 - \$39,140.00
Chief Financial Officer	\$38,000.00 - \$56,650.00
Acting Chief Municipal Financial Officer	\$28,000.00 - \$39,140.00
Tax Assessor	\$ 7,902.00 - \$ 8,547.00
Assessing/Search Clerk	\$20,395.00 - \$22,058.00
Land Use/Construction Code/Fire Secretary	\$32,000.00 - \$39,140.00
Zoning Officer	\$ 4,500.00 - \$ 7,210.00
Enforcement Officer	\$ 6,500.00 - \$ 9,270.00
Construction Code Official	\$ 1,800.00 - \$ 3,090.00
Building Sub-Code Official	\$ 9,000.00 - \$11,330.00
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$ 6,500.00 - \$ 9,270.00
Electrical Sub-Code Official	\$ 6,500.00 - \$ 9,270.00
Fire Sub-Code Official	\$ 3,200.00 - \$ 4,635.00
Fire Official	\$ 4,000.00 - \$ 6,180.00
Occupancy Inspector	\$ 3,000.00 - \$ 4,120.00
Road Supervisor	\$50,000.00 - \$72,100.00
EMS Supervisor	\$40,000.00 - \$66,950.00
Director Public Safety - Full Time	\$40,000.00 - \$52,950.00
Director Public Safety – Part Time	\$20,000.00 - \$27,038.00
Director Emergency Management	\$ 492.00 - \$ 541.00
Police Records Clerk	\$33,109.00 - \$35,808.00
Clerk 1- Full Time	\$25,000.00 - \$27,810.00
Clerk 2 - Full Time	\$30,000.00 - \$38,213.00
Clerk 3 - Full Time	\$40,000.00 - \$51,243.00
Clerk 1- Part Time	\$ 12.50 - \$ 16.00
Confidential Assistant – Part Time	\$ 15.00 - \$ 20.00

Land Use Board Chairman	\$	30.00 - \$	33.00
Land Use Board Members	\$	25.00 - \$	28.00
Senior Part-Time EMS	\$	14.57 - \$	17.00
EMS – Part Time	\$	12.48 - \$	15.00
Police Officer – Part Time	\$	14.84 - \$	17.00
Special Law Enforcement Officer	\$	14.26 - \$	16.00
Acting Fire Official	\$	25.00 - \$	35.00
Crossing Guard – Part Time	\$	8.84 - \$	11.00
Streets & Roads Laborer 1	\$	16.00 - \$	28.00
Laborer Recreation	\$	10.50 - \$	14.00
Part-Time Road Laborers-Skilled	\$	10.00 - \$	15.00
Part-Time Road Laborers-Unskilled	\$	9.00 - \$	14.00

m/Baker s/Walker

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

DISCUSSION:

Councilman Marolda was of the opinion that this ordinance should not be considered until the 2017 salary and wage resolution has been discussed. In addition, the Councilman would like to increase the top numbers so the annual adoption is not necessary.

m/McAvaddy s/Marolda to table the Ordinance until the 2017 salaries and wages are discussed.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER		X		
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

NEED MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING:

M _____ S _____

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA				
WALKER				
BAKER				
MANCUSO				
ALVAREZ				
MCAVADDY				

ORDINANCE NO. 644 ADOPTED:

M _____ S _____

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA				
WALKER				
BAKER				
MANCUSO				
ALVAREZ				
MCAVADDY				

RESOLUTION 18-17: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING A CONTINUING DISCLOSURE AGENT SERVICES AND INDEPENDENT REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ADVISOR OF RECORD WITH PHOENIX ADVISORS, LLC. m/Baker s/Walker

WHEREAS, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") implemented its Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative (the "MCDC Initiative") on March 10, 2014 to address alleged widespread violations of federal securities laws by municipal and local authority issuers (the "Issuers"), and underwriters of an Issuer's securities, in connection with certain representations about timely continuing disclosures in bond offering documents;

WHEREAS, the MCDC Initiative aims to correct past failures to timely post information required by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB"), which Issuers agree to post through the execution of a secondary market disclosure undertaking, on the Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA");

WHEREAS, under the MCDC Initiative, the SEC will recommend favorable settlement terms to Issuers if they self-report to the SEC possible violations involving materially inaccurate statements relating to prior compliance with the continuing disclosure obligations specified in Rule 15c2-12 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough") desires to determine if its participation in the MCDC Initiative is necessary and advisable; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA as follows:

Section 1. The Borough hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to engage the services of Phoenix Advisors, LLC to conduct an audit of the Borough's continuing disclosure obligations and filings as related to the MCDC Initiative (the "Disclosure Audit").

Section 2. The Borough hereby authorizes and directs the Chief Financial Officer to participate in the MCDC Initiative if, after reviewing the findings of the Disclosure Audit and consulting with the Borough's Bond Counsel, the Chief Financial Officer determines that it is advisable for the Borough to participate in the MCDC

Section 3. The Borough hereby authorizes payment to Phoenix Advisors in the amount of \$950.00 for up to three outstanding issues, plus \$100.00 for each additional outstanding issue, if any, for which filings are required.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

RESOLUTION 19-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH FALASCA MECHANICAL, INC FOR MECHANICAL AND PLUMBING REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING FEBRUARY 11,2017 AND EXPIRING FEBRUARY 10, 2018.
m/Baker s/McAvaddy

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA that a contract is hereby awarded to Falasca Mechanical, Inc. for the furnishing of mechanical and plumbing repair and maintenance services in the Borough of Buena

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Falasca Mechanical, Inc. for the purpose of furnishing mechanical and plumbing repair and maintenance services.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA			X	
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 20-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SCALFO ELECTRIC, INC FOR ELECTRICAL REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE COMMENCING FEBRUARY 11,2017 AND EXPIRING FEBRUARY 10, 2018.
m/Baker s/McAvaddy**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA that a contract is hereby awarded to Scalfo Electric, Inc. for the furnishing of electrical repair and maintenance services in the Borough of Buena

BE It FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Scalfo Electric, Inc. for the purpose of furnishing electrical repair and maintenance services.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 21-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENGINEER TO APPLY FOR FOUR GRANTS UNDER THE FY2017 NJDOT TRUST FUND MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM, "STATE AID" APPLICATIONS.
m/Baker s/Marolda**

WHEREAS, the NJDOT recently notified all Municipalities of the upcoming FY2017 New Jersey Department of Transportation Trust Fund (State Aid) program and application deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Buena desires to apply for funds for Forest Grove Road in addition to making safety improvements to their bikepath along South Boulevard where it crosses Route 40 if permissible.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Remington, Vernick and Walberg Engineers are hereby authorized to apply for grants under the FY2017 NJDOT Trust Fund Municipal Aid Program, "State Aid" Applications at a cost not to exceed \$1,900.00 for one application and \$950.00 for each additional application approved by the governing body.

BE It FURTHER RESOLVED that this award is contingent upon a Certification of Availability of Funds from the Chief Financial Officer.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 21A-17 Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Reconstruction of Forest Grove Road.
m/Baker s/Marolda**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Buena formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2017-Reconstruction/Resurfacing of Forest-00527 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Buena.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough Buena and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 21B-17 Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Bikeway Extension from North Boulevard to South Boulevard at Route 40 project.
m/Baker s/Marolda**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Buena formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as BIKE-2017-Bikepath Extension from North Boul-00053 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Buena.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign

the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Buena and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

RESOLUTION 21C-17 Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Intersection Crossing Improvements at Route 40/South Boulevard/North Boulevard Intersection project. m/Baker s/Marolda

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Borough of Buena formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as SST-2017-Intersection Crossing Improvements-000666 for the Borough of Buena to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Buena.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Buena and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

RESOLUTION 22-17 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND AN OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 163, LOT 9 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,059.80. m/Baker s/Marolda

WHEREAS, there exists a tax overpayment; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the tax collector that the overpayment should be refunded.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Buena, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that the overpayment be refunded as indicated.

BLOCK	LOT	NAME AND ADDRESS	REFUND
163	9	CORELOGIC TAX SERVICES RECOVERIES DEPARTMENT PO BOX 961230 FORT WORTH, TEXAS 76161-0230	\$1,059.80

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 24-17 GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE
m/Baker s/Alvarez**

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena Council of the Borough of Buena, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Atlantic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Buena, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough of Buena Council does hereby authorize submission of a Strategic plan for the BVT/Buena Borough/Weymouth Twp Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2018 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$26,189.00
Cash Match	\$ 6,547.00
In-Kind	\$19,642.00

2. The Borough of Buena Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

PERSONNEL:

**RESOLUTION 23-17 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CYNTHIA LOGUIDICE AS ASSISTANT PURCHASING AGENT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 23, 2017.
m/Baker s/Alvarez**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Buena that Cynthia LoGuidice shall be appointed as Assistant Purchasing Agent, effective January 23, 2017, at no additional compensation.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 25-17 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING WILLIAM NIMOHAY, FUND COMMISSIONER AND VALERIE SANTAGATA-JONES, ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR THE ATLANTIC COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 1, 2017 AND EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2018.
m/Baker s/Walker**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena, is a member of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, hereinafter referred to as "FUND"; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the FUND require that in the manner generally prescribed by law, each member shall appoint one (1) Fund Commissioner and may appoint one (1) Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Fund. Each Fund Commissioner shall be either a member of the local unit's governing body, or one of its employees and that no individual may serve as Fund Commissioner for more than one (1) member; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 11:15-2.6 states that a Fund Commissioner who is a member of the appointing local unit's governing body, shall hold office for two years or for the remainder of his/her term of office as a member of the local unit's governing body, whichever shall be less; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 11:15-2.6 states that a Fund Commissioner who is an employee of the appointing member shall hold office at the pleasure of the member and can be removed by the member at any time without cause; and

WHEREAS, The Borough of Buena recommends the appointment of William Nimohay to serve as Fund Commissioner and the appointment of Valerie Santagata-Jones as Alternate Fund Commissioner in accordance with the FUND Bylaws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Buena that it does hereby appoint William Nimohay as Fund Commissioner and Valerie Santagata-Jones as Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, retroactive to January 1, 2017.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 25a-17 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF RESIGNATION OF EUGENE SORACCO AS DETECTIVE IN THE BUENA BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT
m/Baker s/Alvarez**

WHEREAS, Eugene Soracco served as Detective in the Borough of Buena Police Department; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Eugene Soracco performed his duties in an efficient and professional manner; and

WHEREAS, Eugene Soracco has decided to resign effective January 29, 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that the resignation of Eugene Soracco be regretfully accepted effective January 29, 2017.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

**RESOLUTION 26a-17 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ANDY VERA JR. TO THE POSITION OF POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 23, 2017 AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE NEW JERSEY POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION AT A CERTIFIED POLICE ACADEMY.
m/Baker s/Walker**

WHEREAS, the Assistant Director of Public Safety and Officer in Charge, have recommended that Council appoint Andy Vera Jr. as a Police Officer in the Borough of Buena Police Department; and

WHEREAS, appointment to the position of Police Officer will enable Andy Vera Jr. to attend the New Jersey Police Training Commission Program at a certified Police Academy in order for him to obtain the training necessary to serve as a police officer in the Borough of Buena Police Department.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Buena that Andy Vera Be and he is hereby appointed to the position of Police Officer in the Borough of Buena Police Department, effective January 23, 2017, and is hereby authorized to attend the New Jersey Police Training Commission Program at a certified Police Academy.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

ADMINISTRATORS' S REPORT: none

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

Solicitor Tonetta gave an overview of COAH litigation to date.

Solicitor Tonetta called for the adoption of a resolution to either retire or adjourn into closed session to discuss pending or anticipated litigation at the next regular Council meeting.

RESOLUTION 27-17

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING BETWEEN THE MAYOR, BOROUGH COUNCIL, BOROUGH CLERK AND STAFF, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF, BOROUGH SOLICITOR AND STAFF, BOROUGH LABOR ATTORNEYS AND STAFF CONCERNING MATTERS REGARDING PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION IN WHICH THE PUBLIC BODY IS OR MAY BECOME A PARTY AND AUTHORIZING THE DISCLOSURE OF MINUTES OF SAID MEETING AS PROVIDED HEREIN
m/Baker s/Walker

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, Open Public Meetings Act, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting of a public body where the subject matter of that meeting involves pending or anticipated litigation in which the public body is or may become a party; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to meet with the Mayor, Borough Clerk and staff, Business Administrator and staff, Borough Solicitor and staff, Borough Labor Attorney and staff concerning the matter of Bonilla v. the Borough of Buena, et al.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Buena that:

1. The public shall be excluded from a meeting of the Council of the Borough of Buena, on February 13, 2017 in the Council Chambers immediately following or during the regular session of Borough Council.
2. The general nature of the subject matter of the closed meeting shall pertain to pending or anticipated litigation in which the public body is or may become a party, as set forth hereinabove.
3. Disclosure of the minutes of the closed meeting authorized above between the Borough Council, the Mayor, Borough Clerk and staff, Business Administrator and staff, Borough Solicitor and staff, Borough Labor Attorney and staff shall be made following a final decision and determination of said matter excepting information which must remain private.
4. It is anticipated that the minutes of the deliberation conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public within 10 days, however, any personal confidential information may not be released.

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ROADS/RECYCLING: (COUNCILMAN MAROLDA)

At the request of Councilman Marolda, Road Supervisor Nimohay reported that the recycling rate increased 3.98% over last year. This is great news. In addition, there is no increase in tipping fees which is also a benefit to the Borough. Mr. Nimohay stated that there is a slight increase on tire disposal and will speak with the Administrator about raising convenience center fees to absorb this additional cost.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: (COUNCILMAN WALKER)

Councilman Walker has been reviewing ways to foster and encourage growth in the Borough. In addition, the Councilman is assessing properties in need of improvement or demolition around the Borough.

RECREATION: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker was part of a phone conference on the 54/40 Shuttle. There were 821 riders in December.

On January 10th, Councilwoman Baker attended the Recreation Commission Meeting. Marina Barsuglia was elected Chairperson and Brianna Pace Secretary. A discussion was held on fundraising. The annual St. Patrick's Day Breakfast will be held on March 12, 2017. Member Bill Nimohay reported on park upgrades. Other ideas for fundraising were paint night, a car show, family day and flea market day. The next meeting will be held on February 7th.

On January 12, 2017, Councilwoman Baker attended the Buena Baseball Softball Association meeting. Chairperson David Coia conducted the meeting. Registration is February 16, 18, 23 and 25th. The Opening Day Parade and events will be held on April 8th with a rain date of April 22nd. The next meeting will be held on February 9th.

Upcoming Events:

February 12, 2017 American Legion Post 270 Valentine's Day Breakfast

FINANCE: (COUNCILMAN MANCUSO)

Councilman Mancuso reported that the Annual Financial Statement has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services. The annual audit will begin over the next few months. Councilman Mancuso will be scheduling several committee meetings to discuss the 2017 municipal budget.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREETS LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN ALVAREZ)

Councilman Alvarez gave an overview of police performance in the Borough.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN MCAVADDY) none

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the meeting of December 12, 2016 were approved m/Baker s/McAvaddy

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA			X	
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

Minutes of the closed meeting of December 12, 2016 were approved m/Baker s/Mancuso

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA			X	
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

Minutes of the reorganization meeting of January 3, 2017 were approved m/Baker s/Walker

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO			X	
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament requesting Raffle License for May 7, 2017 was approved m/Baker s/Walker.**

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

2. Ken Culbertson of Good Day for a Run would like use municipal roads for the beginning portion of a race on September 10, 2017 beginning at 9:00 a.m. for approximately one hour, together with police and ems on site was approved.
 m/Baker s/Alvarez

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

Need motion to file correspondence m/Baker s/Alvarez

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Councilman Marolda directed the Clerk to place the 2017 salary and wage resolution on the next agenda for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Mancuso

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSTAIN:	ABSENT:
MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	X			

NEXT MEETING: February 13, 2017

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Baker s/Alvarez

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MAROLDA	X			
WALKER	X			
BAKER	X			
MANCUSO	X			
ALVAREZ	X			
MCAVADDY	x			

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