

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA  
March 25, 2024  
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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **P.M.**  
**MEETING ADJOURNED:** \_\_\_\_\_ **P.M.**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER: FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:**

<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
GIOVINAZZI		
ALVAREZ		
ADAMS		
BARSUGLIA		
ANDALORO		
DESTEFANO		

**SUNSHINE LAW:** This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act and notices of this meeting have been provided, via email, to The Press of Atlantic City and The Daily Journal on November 27, 2023 as well as having been posted on the municipal bulletin board and website at [www.buenaboro.org](http://www.buenaboro.org)

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS.

**MAYOR:** PUBLIC COMMENT: OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYONE TO COMMENT WITH A LIMIT OF FIVE (5) MINUTES PER SPEAKER. PLEASE REFER TO THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT:

PUBLIC COMMENT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO INFORM THE MAYOR AND GOVERNING BODY ABOUT THEIR VIEWS. THE MAYOR AND GOVERNING BODY PRESCRIBES TO COUNCIL'S BY-LAWS AND THE NEW JERSEY STATUTES ON OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS WHEN ENGAGING DURING PUBLIC COMMENT. AS SUCH, EACH INDIVIDUAL SHALL HAVE A 5 MINUTE LIMIT TO COMMENT; AN INDIVIDUAL CANNOT YIELD TIME TO ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL; AN INDIVIDUAL MAY ONLY APPROACH THE PODIUM ONCE DURING PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ANY ONE TOPIC; VULGAR OR OFFENSIVE LANGUAGE IS PROHIBITED AND MAYOR AND COUNCIL WILL NOT ENGAGE IN DIALOGUE WITH THE PUBLIC DURING THIS TIME. THE GOVERNING BODY MAINTAINS MODEL COURTESY AND RESPECT AND REQUIRES MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO DO THE SAME.

**PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:**

**MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
<b>MOTION:</b> _____	GIOVINAZZI					
	ALVAREZ					
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**Anyone wishing to address Mayor and Council please step forward and state your name for the record.**

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**MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC PORTION:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**NEED MOTION TO INTRODUCE AND PASS AT FIRST READING:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 751      CALENDAR YEAR 2024 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Buena in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$31,515.29 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

**WHEREAS** the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Buena, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Buena shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$110,303.52, and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Borough of Buena be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

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**PRESENTER: MICHAEL GARCIA, REGISTERED MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTANT**

**RESOLUTION 76-24      A RESOLUTION INTRODUCING AND APPROVING THE 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**NEED MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 750      AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING ORDINANCE 705, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 202 SECTION 202.15C 9(a) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA ENTITLED CANNABIS; FINAL AUTHORIZATION**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**DISCUSSION:**

**NEED MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**ORDINANCE 750 ADOPTED:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, in November 2020, a State Referendum was voted upon by the residents of the State of New Jersey to ascertain public opinion on adult use cannabis which reflected that 67% of the voting population is in favor of the legalization of adult use cannabis in the State and as a result, the State Legislation adopted the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory Enforcement Assistance and Marketplace Act (CREAMM) N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31, et seq; which establishes the authority by which municipalities may regulate the sale and use of adult use cannabis; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 24:6I-45 authorizes municipalities to adopt legislation governing the number and types of cannabis businesses as established under CREAMM and further required municipalities not wishing to accept cannabis businesses to adopt such legislation on or before August 2021 or such municipalities shall be required to allow all types of licenses; and

**WHEREAS**, Buena Borough did not adopt such legislation within the time set forth in N.J.S.A. 24:6I-45 and therefore all classes of cannabis businesses are permitted within the Borough and the Borough adopted Ordinance 705, as amended, to set forth the process for the issuance of local licenses for cannabis businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, Council required as part of the Final Authorization process, all approved applicants submit site plans and receive approval from the Buena Borough Land Use Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the Solicitor for the Land Use Board recommended that the time within which an applicant should submit site plans should be increased from 30 to 90 days to allow applicants the necessary time for their professionals to prepare and submit said plans for approval.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena that Ordinance 705, Chapter 202, Section 202.15C 4(a) be amended as follows:

- 9. Final Authorization. For applicants that have an equitable interest in the property, the Borough may grant final license approval, subject to compliance with all site plan requirements and construction rules and regulations including the issuance of a CO or TCO, if the applicant:
  - (a) Submits site plans for approval for authorization from the Buena Borough Land Use Board within 90 days of receiving conditional authorization and posts necessary escrow funds to appear before the Land Use Board.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the balance of Ordinance 705, as amended, Chapter 202.15C not amended hereby shall remain in full force and effect.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that any Ordinance or portion thereof inconsistent herewith shall be repealed and void to the extent of such inconsistency.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that should any portion of this Ordinance be deemed unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction; the balance hereof shall remain in full force and effect.

**RESOLUTION 77-24**

**A RESOLUTION FIXING SALARIES FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE  
BOROUGH OF BUENA FOR THE YEAR 2024**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to a Salary Ordinance enacted prior to this Resolution, money was appropriated for the salaries and wages of municipal employees for the year 2024, retroactive to January 1, 2024; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AS FOLLOWS;**

- A. That the following Borough employees shall receive the salary hereinafter set forth or as otherwise stated:

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1.	<b>Joseph Baruffi</b> , Mayor	\$ 8,870.19
2.	<b><u>COUNCIL</u></b> <b>Jorge Alvarez</b> <b>Patricia Andalaro</b> <b>Douglas Adams</b>	\$ 4,548.81
	<b>Frank DeStefano</b> <b>Richard Giovanazzi</b> <b>Marina Barsuglia</b>	
3.	<b>Maryann Coraluzzo</b> , Administrator	\$ 31.21 per hour
4.	<b>Pamela Johnston</b> , Acting Clerk	\$43,696.80
5.	<b>Nicole Koch</b> , Clerk 1	\$30,420.00**
6.	<b>Nicole Koch</b> , Clerk 1	\$ 100.00 * per meeting
7.	<b>Cynthia Holland</b> , Chief Financial Officer/QPA	\$61,847.94
8.	<b>Patrick Hegarty</b> , Tax Collector	\$23,929.20
9.	<b>Joyce Thurlow</b> , Clerk 1	\$ 17.69
10.	<b>Lisa Perella</b> , Tax Assessor	\$21,349.05
11.	<b>Valerie Jones</b> , Clerk 3	\$50,272.12
12.	<b>Valerie Jones</b> , Land Use Secretary	\$ 100.00* per meeting
13.	<b>Thomas Dralle</b> , Land Use Chair	\$ 30.00 per meeting attended
14.	<b><u>LAND USE MEMBERS</u></b>	\$ 25.00 per meeting attended
	<b>Joseph Baruffi</b> <b>William Nimohay</b> <b>Doug Adams</b> <b>Edward Casellari</b> <b>James Heisler</b> <b>Louis Nardone</b> <b>Edward Castellari Jr</b> <b>Ronald Francis</b> <b>Louis Barsuglia</b> <b>Larry Petrillo</b> <b>Jenna Talarico</b>	
15.	<b>John Keenan</b> , Zoning Officer	\$10,000.00
16.	<b>James Hoffman</b> , Enforcement Officer	\$ 8,318.37
17.	<b>James Hoffman</b> , Occupancy Inspector	\$ 3,429.76
18.	<b>James Hoffman</b> , Construction Code Official	\$ 1,948.37
19.	<b>James Hoffman</b> , Building Code Official	\$ 9,741.89
20.	<b>Dennis LaSassa</b> , Plumbing Sub Code Official	\$ 8,832.64
21.	<b>John Ciliberti</b> , Fire Sub Code Official	\$ 25.50
22.	<b>Joseph Rizzuto</b> , Electrical Sub Code Official	\$ 7,355.59
23.	<b>William Nimohay</b> , Streets & Roads Supervisor	\$81,638.66
24.	<b>Eric DeFava</b> , Emergency Management Coordinator	\$ 561.00
25.	<b>Rhonda Ciruolo</b> , EMS Chief	\$80,000.00

B. The following employees shall be paid at the hourly rate hereinafter set forth or as otherwise stated:

1.	<b>Joseph Aupperle</b> , Streets & Roads, Laborer 2	\$ 22.50
	<b>Leonard Coco</b> , Streets & Roads Laborer 2	\$ 28.00
	<b>Michael Corsiglia</b> , Streets & Roads Laborer 2	\$ 24.25

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	<b>Thomas Reeves, Streets &amp; Roads, Laborer 2</b>	\$ 19.96
2.	<b>Diane Bassetti, Part Time, Clerk 1</b>	\$ 19.77
3.	<b>Michael Rodriguez, Sr Part Time EMS</b>	\$ 23.00
4.	<b>Angel Calixto-Gomez, Full Time EMS</b>	\$ 26.00
5.	<b><u>PART TIME EMS</u></b>	\$ 20.00
6.	<b><u>WEEKEND DIFFERENTIAL FOR EMS</u></b>	
	Sr. Part-Time EMS	\$ 25.00
	Part-Time/Per Diem EMS	\$ 22.00

\*\* No retro pay to January 1, 2024

**RESOLUTION 78-24**

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**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN-CARLOS TORRES, KIMBERLY CRUZ, AND JAMIE HAUSMANN AS FULL-TIME EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS,** a need exists to hire certain employees in the Borough of Buena; and

**WHEREAS,** a need exists for full-time Emergency Medical Technicians in Buena Emergency Medical Services Department; and

**WHEREAS,** Chief Ciruolo and Lieutenant Rodriguez conducted interviews and have recommended promoting John-Carlos Torres, Kimberly Cruz, and Jamie Hausmann as the candidates to fill said positions, effective April 1, 2024.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Council of the Borough of Buena, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, hereby approves the appointment of aforementioned candidates as Full-Time Emergency Medical Technicians based on their qualifications with a start date effective April 1, 2024, and conditioned upon the successful completion of the hiring phases set forth in the Policy and Procedures of the Borough of Buena.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that John-Carlos Torres, Kimberly Cruz, and Jamie Hausmann shall be hired at the rate of \$25.00 per hour.

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**RESOLUTION 79-24            A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDED MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH CHIEF RHONDA CIRAOLLO**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, on April 26, 2021, Borough Council adopted Resolution 53-21 authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement by and between the Borough of Buena and Rhonda Ciruolo, Chief of the Emergency Medical Services for the Borough, and an Agreement was executed thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, said executed Agreement set forth a salary at \$70,000.00 per annum commencing January 1, 2021 and continuing through June 30, 2026 with set hours of 40 hours per week; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement failed to outline any terms regarding the payment of overtime or compensatory time; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent to the execution of the Agreement, due to staffing shortages, Chief Ciruolo was required to work hours beyond the regular 40-hour work week to provide emergency medical services to the Borough residents and was justifiably paid overtime for such services; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 9, 2014, the Office of the New Jersey State Comptroller advised all municipalities that the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) does not require executive or administrative employees overtime or compensatory time and that the FLSA defines such executive or administrative employees as those who, among other duties, “regularly directs the work of two or more other employees and who has the authority to make recommendations as to job status of other employees” and further recommended that all municipalities discontinue the practice of paying overtime or compensatory time to such administrative employees without the adoption of an Ordinance allowing such practice to continue; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to comply with the recommendations of the New Jersey State Comptroller, while being fair to Chief Ciruolo, Borough Council and Chief Ciruolo feel it is necessary to amend the Agreement so as to increase the salary to recognize the added hours the Chief puts forth and further allowing the Chief to “flex” her schedule once adequate staffing is in place to alleviate her necessary extra hours thereby doing away with overtime or compensatory time.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an amended Memorandum of Agreement in the form and substance as attached hereto and made a part hereof subject to non-material changes as recommended by the Solicitor.

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**RESOLUTION 80-24            A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO ZONE STRIPING, INC., FOR FOUR-INCH-WIDE LATEX PAINT TRAFFIC STRIPES ON FOREST GROVE ROAD, FROM CENTRAL AVENUE TO HARDING HIGHWAY (ROUTE 40) IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena, through a traffic calming study, evaluated conditions along Forest Grove Road from Central Avenue to Harding Highway to determine if pedestrian safety improvements could be implemented to encourage reduced vehicular speeds; and

**WHEREAS**, DeBlasio & Associates, the Engineers in charge of the study solicited quotes for striping services, and has recommended that the contract be awarded to Zone Striping, Inc. for an amount not exceeding \$3,800.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena provided the CFO has certified the availability of funds, that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to execute an Agreement with Zone Striping, Inc., for four-inch-wide latex paint traffic stripes on Forest Grove Road from Central Avenue to Harding Highway (Route 40), including mobile traffic control, in an amount not to exceed \$3,800.00.

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**RESOLUTION 81-24           BOROUGH OF BUENA 2024 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to providing appropriation for expenditures and no adequate provision has been made in the 2024 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 2024 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$1,578,001.50.

**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 2024 municipal budget as adopted.
3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the following appropriations shall constitute the Borough of Buena 2024 Temporary Budget:

<b>General Government:</b>		
<b>Municipal Clerk</b>		
Other Expenses		3,000.00
<b>Governing Body</b>		
Other Expenses		1,000.00
<b>Tax Assessor</b>		
Other Expenses		1,000.00
<b>Audit Contract Services</b>		
Other Expenses		4,000.00
<b>Legal Services</b>		
Other Expenses		10,000.00
<b>Land Use Board</b>		
Other Expenses		1,000.00
<b>Public Safety:</b>		
<b>Emergency Medical Services</b>		
Other Expenses		15,000.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>		
Street Lights		20,000.00

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**RESOLUTION 82-24            A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL  
PROPERTY BY SEALED BID TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Buena owns a certain parcel of property situated at 328 Brewster Road known as Black Water Bond Recreational Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the grass grown on the property can be used for hay to feed farm animals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Borough of Buena has determined that the grass crop is not needed for public use and that it is in the best interests of the citizens of the Borough of Buena that the grass be cut in order to make the property more functional for recreational purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13.1 authorizes the sale by municipalities of any real property, capital improvements or personal property, or interests therein, not needed for public use by sale in the manner provided by law; and

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

1. The sale of the grass crop on the property known as Black Water Pond Recreational Area shall be conducted on April 17, 2024 at 12:00 noon by the Acting Clerk or designee at 616 Central Avenue Minotola, NJ 08341
2. The sale of personal property shall be made by sealed bid and shall be sold to the highest bidder, subject to acceptance of such bid by resolution of the Council of the Borough of Buena which reserves the right to reject all bids where the highest bid is not accepted. The monies received from the sale shall be turned over to the Chief Financial Officer for deposit into the Recreation Trust Account.
3. The Borough Clerk shall publish in a newspaper circulating within the Borough of Buena, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, on April 2 16, 2024 and April 9, 2024 and a notice of the aforementioned sale of the personal property shall be posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building and posted on the municipal website.

**RESOLUTION 83-24            A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AWARDING A  
CONTRACT TO DEBLAISO & ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING  
SERVICES FOR THE CDBG PROJECT ADA COMPLIANT RESTROOM  
BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS AT BRUNO MELINI PARK**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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**WHEREAS**, certain engineering services need be provided for the CDBG Project ADA Compliant Restroom Building Improvements at Bruno Melini Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer’s DeBlasio, have presented a proposal to complete said services in the amount of \$27,000.00.

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**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that the engineer is hereby retained for CDBG Engineering Services for CDBG Project ADA Compliant Restroom Building Improvements at Bruno Melini Park

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the award is contingent upon the receipt of a Certificate of Availability of Funds from the Chief Financial Officer.

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**NEED MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS LISTED:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
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	ANDALORO					
	DESTEFANO					
<b>RCV</b>						

**NEED MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP AND REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2024:**

	<b>Council Member</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Recuse</b>
<b>MOTION:</b> _____	GIOVINAZZI					
	ALVAREZ					
	ADAMS					
<b>SECOND:</b> _____	BARSUGLIA					
	ANDALORO					
	DESTEFANO					
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**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

RICHARD TONETTA, BOROUGH SOLICITOR

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:**

MARC DEBLASIO, BOROUGH ENGINEER

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PLANNING/ZONING/INSPECTIONS.....CHAIRMAN, RICHARD GIOVINAZZI,**  
DOUGLAS ADAMS, JORGE ALVAREZ

**FINANCE/TAX COLLECTOR/ASSESSOR.....CHAIRMAN, JORGE ALVAREZ,**  
MARINA BARSUGLIA, PATRICIA ANDALORO

**PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS.....CHAIRMAN, DOUGLAS ADAMS,**  
RICHARD GIOVINAZZI, FRANK DESTEFANO

**RECREATION.....CHAIRWOMAN MARINA BARSUGLIA,**  
PATRICIA ANDALORO, RICHARD GIOVINAZZI

**BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS.....CHAIRWOMAN, PATRICIA ANDALORO,**  
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JORGE ALVAREZ, RICHARD GIOVINAZZI**

**PERSONNEL/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.....MAYOR BARUFFI,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT, RESPECTIVE DEPARTMENT HEAD**

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**NEXT MEETING: 6:30 P.M. WORKSHOP AND 7:00 P.M. REGULAR APRIL 8, 2024**

**MEETING ADJOURNED: M/ \_\_\_\_\_ S/ \_\_\_\_\_ ALL IN FAVOR? ANY OPPOSED?**