

**BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 15, 2013**

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 8:15 p.m.

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, July 15, 2013 commencing at 7:00 p.m. at the Borough Hall with Mayor Baruffi presiding. Mayor Baruffi 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, Baker, Santagata, Zappariello, Cugini, Richard P. Tonetta, Solicitor and Gail Knott, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: Councilman DeStefano

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: ATLANTIC COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND:

Paul Miola, Executive Director and Michael Donato, Risk Management Consultant, gave an update on the services and coverages provided by the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

RESOLUTION 101-13 A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 103-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO REMINGTON, VERNICK & WALBERG FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA BIKEWAY & PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES PROGRAM PHASE IV. m/Baker s/Zappariello

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 103-13 A RESOLUTION ALLOWING TRIAD TO PROCEED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PARK AND RECREATION IMPROVEMENT CHALLENGE GRANT. m/Zappariello s/Baker

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 104-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING TRIAD ASSOCIATES TO PREPARE AND PROCESS ECONOMIC IMPACT INITIATIVE (EII) APPLICATION-2013. m/Baker s/Zappariello

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 105-13 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL, THE BOROUGH CLERK AND THE BOROUGH SOLICITOR CONCERNING PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION IN WHICH THE PUBLIC BODY IS OR MAY BECOME A PARTY AND AUTHORIZING DISCLOSURE OF MINUTES OF SAID MEETING AS PROVIDED HEREIN. m/Baker s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 106-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR A MASTER TENANT FOR THE BUENA COMMERCE CENTER. m/Baker s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 108-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PERSONALTY OWNED BY THE BOROUGH OF BUENA NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES TO THE CITY OF VINELAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2). m/Baker s/Zappariello

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 111-13 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PLACE TO PLACE TRANSFER-EXTENSION OF PREMISES OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE NO. 0104-33-006-011 ISSUED TO TRE BELLEZZE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, T/A TRE BELLEEZE FOR PREMISES LOCATED AT 363 WHEAT ROAD IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA. m/Baker s/Zappariello

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

RESOLUTION 112-13 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO ENTER INTO A NUTRITION SITE LEASE WITH THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, TO LEASE TO THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC PREMISES KNOWN AS THE BUENA SENIOR HALL TO BE USED SOLELY BY THE ATLANTIC COUNTY NUTRITION PROJECT AND PERMITTING THE LESSEE TO PROVIDE OTHER PROGRAMS SPECIFIED UNDER THE "OLDER AMERICANS ACT" FOR A TERM OF ONE YEAR. m/Baker s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

PERSONNEL:

RESOLUTION 102-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA APPOINTING SHAWN MICHAEL WETHMAN TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME POLICE OFFICER IN THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, EFFECTIVE JULY 08, 2013, AND AUTHORIZING HIM TO ATTEND THE NEW JERSEY POLICE TRAINING COMMISSION PROGRAM AT A CERTIFIED POLICE ACADEMY. m/Santagata s/Cugini

AYE: NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

MAROLDA X
 BAKER X
 SANTAGATA X
 ZAPPARIELLO X
 CUGINI X
 DESTEFANO X

RESOLUTION 107-13 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF FRANK N. DANDREA FROM THE POSITION HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSIONER EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 25, 2013. m/Baker s/Zappariello

AYE: NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

MAROLDA X
 BAKER X
 SANTAGATA X
 ZAPPARIELLO X
 CUGINI X
 DESTEFANO X

RESOLUTION 109-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA APPOINTING BRIAN N. GRASSO TO THE POSITION OF OFFICER, BUENA BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 15, 2013. m/Santagata s/Cugini

AYE: NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

MAROLDA X
 BAKER X
 SANTAGATA X
 ZAPPARIELLO X
 CUGINI X
 DESTEFANO X

RESOLUTION 110-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA APPOINTING MATTHEW P. WALKER TO THE POSITION OF OFFICER, BUENA BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JULY 15, 2013. m/Santagata s/Cugini

AYE: NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

MAROLDA X
 BAKER X
 SANTAGATA X
 ZAPPARIELLO X
 CUGINI X
 DESTEFANO X

RESOLUTION 113-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILMAN EDWARD CUGINI AS ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY. m/Baker s/Santagata

AYE: NAY: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

MAROLDA X
 BAKER X
 SANTAGATA X
 ZAPPARIELLO X
 CUGINI X
 DESTEFANO X

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Louis Drive Drainage

We are currently evaluating alternatives to address the drainage issue. The ACIA has approved our request to reallocate the Louis Drive funding to the Kimberly Lane drainage project. We recommend that a meeting be scheduled with the Administrator, the Mayor and the Roads Committee to discuss the project.

Road Program

The project is complete. It is our understanding that the Borough has selected Forsythe Street from Flower Street to South Boulevard as the candidate roadway for microsurfacing. The project is on hold pending completion of utility work. We recommend that the Borough select another street to proceed with at this time.

Kimberly Lane Storm Drain Pipe

A pre-construction meeting for the project is scheduled for July 16, 2013 at 10:00 am.

FY2013 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application - Reconstruction of Flower Street

The Borough was selected to receive \$187,000.00 in NJDOT Municipal Aid funding for the project. Our office will prepare and submit a proposal for engineering, surveying and inspection and contract administration services. Our office is also preparing a proposal for a drainage study to evaluate proposed future drainage improvements for Flower Street.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

There are a number of informational items that I need to bring to your attention this month.

1. There is a long list of facilities needs for our Borough Hall that I brought to your attention in the past. Our CFO brought to my attention that there is money in an old bond of approximately \$19,000 to repair Borough Hall. While I could use these funds to make immediate changes, I am choosing to defer the repairs at this time and to dedicate the funds as a match for USDA Economic Impact Initiative Grant. This is a 75/25 % grant with a good possibility of receiving some level of funding. We will use Triad Associates to prepare the application (with your permission and on the agenda) and will be applying for approximately \$54,000 in funding. In all probability, we will not receive our entire request.
2. I am also discussing with Triad the possibility of creating a "Challenge Grant" for local businesses and residents for the purpose of matching the approximately \$9,000 that we have earmarked for playground/exercise equipment. Please note that it will be beneficial in the future to pursue both the exercise and playground use of equipment. With those two functions in place, we can create a healthy living program that will allow us to pursue additional funding sources in the future and better serve our residents. I have attached a preliminary white paper that outlines how this works.
3. I am very pleased to provide a report (attached) regarding the first four days of operation of the License Plate Reader (LPR) by the Police Department. I have attached a detailed report that was prepared by Det. John Capehart and Ptl. Dennis Steudle. In a nutshell, during the first four days we netted a minimum of \$2013, and ticketed 76 vehicles that were unregistered. This is after expenses that include salary, fuel, and vehicle wear and tear. This was based on the minimum fines. And, we identified these unsafe vehicles and drivers.
4. I will be working with Bill Nimohay to close out the NJ Clean Communities Grants for the years 2008, 2009, 2011, and 2012. All of these years have balances. We will expend these balances and file final reports. This will leave the current year program fully funded and ready for our ongoing needs.
5. I have been working to schedule a negotiation meeting with the PBA. At this time, I believe that we are very close to agreement and are waiting for their attorney to give us available times for a meeting.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILMAN MAROLDA) none

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported the Finance Office is preparing for the bond sale on July 24, 2013.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Road Department Supervisor Nimohay provided those present with his current itinerary and future tasks his department will be undertaking. Mr. Nimohay requested to use his vacation time soon.

RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)

Councilman Zappariello reported the concerts are ongoing. An update was also given on baseball and softball.

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI) none

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO) none

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:

Brian Fatcher, 102 Kimberly Lane re: concerns with drainage on roadways in the Borough.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Minutes of the regular meeting of June 24, 2013 were approved m/Baker s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

Minutes of the special meeting of July 5, 2013 were approved m/Baker s/Cugini

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA				X
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA				X
ZAPPARIELLO				X
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	
BARUFFI	X			

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament request for Bingo License No. BA08-2013 and BA09-2013. m/Cugini s/Baker

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	x			
SANTAGATA	x			
ZAPPARIELLO	x			
CUGINI	x			
DESTEFANO			X	

Need motion to file correspondence m/Cugini s/Baker

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Marolda

	AYE:	NAY:	ABSENT:	ABSTAIN:
MAROLDA	X			
BAKER	X			
SANTAGATA	X			
ZAPPARIELLO	X			
CUGINI	X			
DESTEFANO			X	

NEXT MEETING: August 12, 2013

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Baker

GAIL KNOTT, DEPUTY CLERK