

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:30 P.M.  
**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 6:40 P.M.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER: FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:**

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

**Also in attendance:** Acting Clerk Johnston, Administrator Coraluzzo, Solicitor Tonetta, Road Supervisor Nimohay, Engineer Mohnack

**SUNSHINE LAW:** This meeting of November 12, 2024 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.

**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:**

**OPENED THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:**

	<u>Council Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
<b>MOTION:</b>	<u>BARSUGLIA</u>	X				
	ALVAREZ	X				
	ADAMS	X				
<b>SECOND:</b>	<u>ADAMS</u>	X				
	BARSUGLIA	X				
	ANDALORO	X				
	<u>RCV</u>	X				

No one spoke

**CLOSED PUBLIC PORTION:**

	<u>Council Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Recuse</u>
<b>MOTION:</b>	<u>BARSUGLIA</u>	X				
	ALVAREZ	X				
	ADAMS	X				
<b>SECOND:</b>	<u>ALVAREZ</u>	X				
	BARSUGLIA	X				
	ANDALORO	X				
	<u>RCV</u>	X				

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**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial and do not require individual discussion. A Motion approving the Consent Agenda is moved, seconded and voted upon as one item by the Borough Council. If any discussion is requested on a Consent Agenda item, it is removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda

- **RESOLUTION 202- 24** A RESOLUTION TO AMEND TRANSFER APPROPRIATION BALANCES TRANSFER
- **BILLS PAID AS LISTED**
- **CLERK’S REPORT**  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2024  
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 1, 2024

MOTION:	Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Recuse
BARSUGLIA	GIOVINAZZI	X				
	ALVAREZ	X				
	ADAMS	X				
SECOND: ANDALORO	BARSUGLIA	X				
	ANDALORO	X				
	RCV DESTEFANO	X				

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**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

RICK TONETTA, BOROUGH SOLICITOR

Solicitor Tonetta explained that the Cannabis Advisory Committee met last week and letters were sent to companies who have not taken action on their license approvals. They were notified that they have ten (10) days to provide reasons which they should be granted an extension under the Borough’s ordinance. Failure to respond will result in a withdrawal in their resolution approving their license.

Solicitor Tonetta stated that High Grass Farms and Taste of Earth will have their Host Community Agreements on the agenda for the Borough Council meeting. It was noted that Tiaplanta’s attorney had requested a six-month extension to resolve property concerns.

**ENGINEER’S REPORT:**

JOE MOHNACK, BOROUGH ENGINEER

**Grant Applications**

1. FY2024 NJDOT Local Transportation Projects Fund (LTPF) Grant  
➤ The grant application was submitted on April 24, 2024. The Borough is awaiting grant awards.
2. FY2025 NJDOT Municipal Aid Program Grant Application  
➤ The application was submitted on June 3, 2024. The Borough is awaiting grant awards.

**Capital Projects**

1. CDBG ADA Building Improvements – New Automatic Access Sliding Doors  
a. Capri Construction has ordered the doors and materials. The lead time on the doors is 8-12 weeks.
2. Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts  
a. The project is in the final design phase.
3. FY2023 NJDOT Local Transportation Projects Fund - Reconstruction of Plymouth St and Friendship Rd  
➤ Arawak Paving is scheduled to begin work on the stormwater drains and pipes in November.
4. FY2024 NJDOT Municipal Aid - Reconstruction of East Summer Road  
➤ The road project is being combined into New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Grant.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilwoman Barsuglia stated that Atlantic County had approved the Christmas Parade on December 7, 2024 at 6 PM.

Councilwoman Andaloro indicated that Gerry Manganaro from USDA Rural Development will be at Borough Hall on November 14, 2024 from 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM to discuss grants and programs available to current and potential homeowners.

Councilman DeStefano inquired about the gas line at 303 East Flower Street. Discussion ensued and Solicitor Tonetta explained that he will review the ordinance and discuss with the engineer.

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**NEXT MEETING:** NOVEMBER 25, 2024 6:30 P.M.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:      M/ BARSUGLIA      S/ ALVAREZ      RCVU**

*Pamela Johnston*  
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Acting Borough Clerk

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**RESOLUTION NO. 202- 24  
RESOLUTION TO AMEND TRANSFER APPROPRIATION BALANCES  
TRANSFER RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 40A:4-58 permitting the transfer to appropriate balances where needed for purposes specified in the budget in an amount in excess of the sum appropriated therefore from an appropriation balance deemed to be in excess of the amount necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the following transfers be made in the Borough of Buena Budget November 12, 2024:

**TRANSFER FROM**

Tax Collector OE	\$ 240.00
Tax Map	\$ 821.27
Group Health Insurance	\$1970.00
<b>TOTAL TRANSFER</b>	<b><u>\$3031.27</u></b>

**TRANSFER TO**

Clerk OE	\$ 240.00
Public Bldgs/Grds	\$ 650.00
Occupancy Inspector SW	\$2141.27
<b>TOTAL TRANSFER</b>	<b><u>\$3031.27</u></b>