

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REORGANIZATION MEETING  
JANUARY 3, 2018**

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**Meeting Called to Order: 6:07 p.m.**  
**Meeting Adjourned: 6:37 p.m.**

The reorganization meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held, Monday, January 3, 2018 commencing at 6:07 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.

**ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:**

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

**FLAG SALUTE:**

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Jim Bradford

The purpose of the meeting was to induct into office two Councilpersons for a full three year term each, make all necessary appointments, and approve other related matters of business for the year 2018.

Atlantic County Freeholder James Bertino administered the Oath of Office to Councilman elect Jorge Alvarez who took his respective seat on Council.

**PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL:** Councilwoman Baker, m/Walker s/Mancuso

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

Mayor Zappariello made the following nominations and appointments. The Oaths of Office were administered by Atlantic County Freeholder James Bertino.

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**RESOLUTION 1-18:** appointing Richard Tonetta, Solicitor for the Borough of Buena s/Walker

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

RESOLUTION 2-18: appointing Michael Garcia of Ford, Scott and Associates, Auditor for the Borough of Buena s/Mancuso

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

RESOLUTION 3-18: appointing Edward J. Walberg, of Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc., Engineer for the Borough of Buena s/Marolda

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

RESOLUTION 4-18: appointing Michael Benson as Employment Counsel for the Borough of Buena s/Alvarez

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



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

Mayor Zappariello appointed Diana Wilcox to the Recreation Commission for a five year term.

Mayor Zappariello appointed Barbara Munden, Alternate I to the Recreation Commission for a four year term.

OATH OF OFFICE: Atlantic County Freeholder Bertino administered the oath of office to the Deputy Public Safety Director and Recreation Commission appointees.

RESOLUTION 5a-18: Confirming the appointments made this evening m/Baker s/Alvarez

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

RESOLUTION 6-18: Authorizing the tax collector to conduct a tax lien sale for the year 2018 m/Marolda s/Baker

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

RESOLUTION 7-18: Setting the interest and penalty to be charged by the tax collector on delinquent taxes and municipal charges, and setting forth a surcharge to be made upon the redemption of tax title liens m/Baker s/Walker

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

RESOLUTION 8-18: Authorizing the tax assessor to file tax appeals  
m/McAvaddy s/Walker

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

RESOLUTION 9-18: Appointing the Administrator as the Public Agency  
Compliance Officer.  
m/Baker s/Alvarez

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

RESOLUTION 10-18: Granting permission for the Borough of Buena to  
participate in the New Jersey State Contact Purchasing  
Program administered by the Department of the Treasury,  
Division of Purchase and Property Services.  
m/Alvarez s/Baker

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

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RESOLUTION 11-18: Awarding a contract to BCS Consulting for Computer I.T. Services m/Alvarez s/Mancuso

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

RESOLUTION 12-18: Appointing Angelo Martilini as Construction Code Official and Building Sub Code Official effective January 3, 2018 m/Alvarez s/Mancuso

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

RESOLUTION 13-18: Adopting the temporary budget for the year 2018 m/Mancuso s/Baker

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

RESOLUTION 14-18: Adopting a cash management plan for the year 2018 m/Baker s/McAvaddy

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

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RESOLUTION 15-18: Official depository/authorized signatures. m/Marolda  
s/Alvarez

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

MAYOR: STANDING COMMITTEES

ROADS/RECYCLING..... CHAIRMAN JEFFREY MAROLDA  
JOSEPH MANCUSO, GREG MCAVADDY

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS.....CHAIRMAN GREG MCAVADDY,  
MATTHEW WALKER, JORGE ALVAREZ

FINANCE.....CHAIRMAN JOSEPH MANCUSO, ROSALIE M.  
BAKER, MATTHEW WALKER

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.....CHAIRMAN MATTHEW WALKER  
JOSEPH MANCUSO, ROSALIE M. BAKER

RECREATION.....CHAIRWOMAN ROSALIE M. BAKER, JORGE  
ALVAREZ, MATTHEW WALKER

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS.....CHAIRMAN JORGE ALVAREZ,  
GREG MCAVADDY, JEFFREY MAROLDA

PERSONNEL.....MAYOR ZAPPARIELLO,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT ROSALIE M. BAKER

SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR.....JOSEPH JANETTA

m/Alvarez s/Baker approving committees.

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MANCUSO	X			
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REMARKS:

Council each extended thanks family and constituents and spoke of their visions to make Buena Borough a great place to live.

Mayor Zappariello congratulated Councilpersons McAvaddy and Alvarez as well as extending his thanks to his wife, children, father and the various Borough employees who assist him in day to day operations. Freeholder Bertino and Councilman Pagano were also acknowledged.

Mayor Zappariello reflected on the previous year and commented on difficult decisions that were made and subsequently brought to fruition.

Reference was made to an editorial that appeared on NJ.com which read in part as follows:

"Earlier this year, Buena Borough in Atlantic County made a difficult decision to eliminate its stand-alone police force. The borough used what may have been a perfect mechanism to find a shared-services replacement.....".  
([http://www.nj.com/opinion/index.ssf/2017/11/put\\_facts\\_of\\_police\\_merger\\_plan\\_on\\_the\\_table\\_editorial.html](http://www.nj.com/opinion/index.ssf/2017/11/put_facts_of_police_merger_plan_on_the_table_editorial.html))

Reference was further made to the many wonderful employees who were affected by this merger.

Mayor Zappariello introduced Chief Brian Zimmer who in turn introduced some of officers present. An update was given on police activity during the last week. Emphasis was placed on a car stop that resulted in the seizure of thirty pounds of marijuana.

Public Portion of the Meeting:

Ernie Merighi of 503 West Flower Street wanted to know what his next step is to stop the Liberty Village Development on the Boulevard. Mayor Zappariello said it was his understanding that the matter of the extension will be voted upon at the January Land Use Board Meeting.

Folsom Councilman Pagano was present and congratulated the elected officials and appointees and wished all a happy new year.

Pam Grenier of 348 Wheat Road thanked the governing body.

FIRST MEETING: January 22, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

BENEDICTION: Pastor Jim Bradford

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Alvarez s/Baker

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