

BOROUGH OF BUENA  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA  
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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

MEETING ADJOURNED: \_\_\_\_\_ P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:

Council Member	Present	Absent
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 February 22, 2024, as well as having been posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall.

**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:**

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

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

**NEED MOTION TO CLOSE PUBLIC PORTION:**

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**RESOLUTION 64-24**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE CITY OF VINELAND FIRE DEPARTMENT AND COMPANY NO. 4, FOREST GROVE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AND EAST VINELAND VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY FOR THEIR FIREMATIC SERVICES TO THE BOROUGH OF BUENA

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

**WHEREAS**, on December 18, 2023, all volunteer fire services for the Borough of Buena were discontinued leaving the Borough residents without firefighting first responders placing life and property in jeopardy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Vineland Fire Department and Company No. 4, under Director R. Franchetta, Chief of the Department L. Tramontana and Dist. Chief Company No. 4, R. Sbrana; the Forest Grove Volunteer Fire Company, under Commissioner Chair A. Bellone and Chief D. Allonardo; and East Vineland Volunteer Fire Company under Commissioner Chair D. Ricci and Chief M. Corsiglia,(collectively Fire Fighters) began immediately providing volunteer emergent fire services to protect life and property of the Borough while the Borough was without fire protection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough retained the services of T.J.Cullenly to assist the Borough in its creation of a newly formed Buena Borough Volunteer Fire Department and began training, testing and certifying men, women and equipment to meet the stringent requirements of the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Fire Safety to assure the new department is ready and able to take up fire suppression and prevention services for the Borough and its residents, during which time the Fire Fighters selflessly continued to provide fire suppression services protecting life and property; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 26, 2024, the Buena Borough Volunteer Fire Department has been created and its members have been approved by the Division of Fire Safety to operate as a volunteer fire department on behalf of the Borough of Buena, which only could have been accomplished with the help and assistance of the Fire Fighters.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena that on behalf of the Mayor, Governing Body and residents of the Borough of Buena we extend our grateful and sincere appreciation for the services provided and assistance in creating the Buena Borough Volunteer Fire Department.

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**PRESENTATION: CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION**

**RESOLUTION 65-24      A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, APPOINTING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS TO THE BOROUGH OF BUENA FIRE DEPARTMENT**

	<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 February 26, 2024, the Buena Borough Volunteer Fire Department was created and its members have been approved by the Division of Fire Safety to operate as a volunteer fire department on behalf of the Borough of Buena.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that the following volunteers be appointed to serve as firefighters in the Buena Borough Volunteer Fire Department effective immediately:

- Robert J. Anderson
- Kenneth Barbagli
- Judith D'Annunzio
- Brent Hopkins
- Soren Hudyma
- Raymond J. Jones
- Glenda Martinelli
- Frank Scancella
- Wayne Shockey
- Leonard Smith
- Brandon Jones
- Vincent Scarrione
- William Mason

David Bauer- Honorary Member

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