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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:00 **P.M.**  
**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 6:58 **P.M.**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER: FLAG SALUTE**

**ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE:**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Deputy Clerk Johnston, Solicitor Tonetta, Road Supervisor Nimohay, Engineer Monack

**SUNSHINE LAW:** This meeting of March 10, 2025 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 9, 2024 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 Baruffi called for a moment of silence for John Lilia, a Buena Borough resident and former Council member who presided from 1988 to 1991. A bunting was hung outside Borough Hall in memoriam.

- Mayor Baruffi reported that Atlantic County is reviewing two proposals for the drainage design on Summer Avenue and surrounding areas. Upon completion of their review, a reward will be made.
- Mayor Baruffi reported that the design for Brewster Road is complete noting the increase in cost and will be reviewed as necessary for modifications.
- Mayor Baruffi reported that elevations will be conducted by the State on Route 40 to include Central Ave. and Kimberly Lane up to Brewster Road.
- Road Supervisor Nimohay provided an update regarding the Friendship Road project commencing this week and noted the project is funded by grant money.

**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:**

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

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

No one spoke

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**MOTIONED TO CLOSE PUBLIC PORTION:**

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

**MOTIONED TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 764**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 722-2023, ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 27, 2023, BY THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, TO AMEND CERTAIN CAPITAL PURCHASES PREVIOUSLY SPECIFIED THEREIN, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BRUSH FIRE TRUCK FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

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

**DISCUSSION:** NONE

**MOTIONED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING:**

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

**MOTIONED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 764:**

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

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Buena, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the “**Borough**”), heretofore adopted Bond Ordinance No. 722-2023, entitled:

“BOND ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$625,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$593,750) IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) NEW AMBULANCE AND ONE (1) REFURBISHED AMBULANCE AND RELATED ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT BY THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY”

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(the “**Original Bond Ordinance**”), pursuant to which the Borough authorized the issuance of bonds and notes up to the aggregate principal amount of \$625,000 to fund the costs to purchase one (1) new ambulance and one (1) refurbished ambulance and related additional equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has completed the purchase of the new ambulance in accordance with the Original Bond Ordinance (the "**New Ambulance Purchase**") and has paid the costs of such New Ambulance Purchase; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has determined not to proceed with the purchase of the refurbished ambulance, but instead desires to proceed with the purchase of a brush fire truck which will serve the best interests of the residents of the Borough, as more fully set forth in this amendment to the Original Bond Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY** (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), does hereby ordain as follows:

**Section 1.**            Definitions.            The Original Bond Ordinance, as hereby amended, shall be referred to as the “Amended Bond Ordinance”.

**Section 2.**            The “Improvement or Purpose” portion of Section 3 of the Original Bond Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

<b>IMPROVEMENT OR <u>PURPOSE</u></b>	<b>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST UNDER ORIGINAL BOND <u>ORDINANCE</u></b>	<b>AMOUNT OF BONDS OR NOTES UNDER ORIGINAL BOND <u>ORDINANCE</u></b>	<b>APPROPRIATION AND ESTIMATED COST UNDER AMENDED BOND <u>ORDINANCE</u></b>	<b>AMOUNT OF BONDS OR NOTES UNDER AMENDED BOND <u>ORDINANCE</u></b>
(a) Purchase of a New Ambulance and additional related equipment, and all other necessary or desirable appurtenances, work or materials.	\$410,000	\$389,500	\$406,250	\$385,937
(b) Purchase of a Refurbished Ambulance and additional related equipment, and all other necessary or desirable appurtenances, work or materials.	\$215,000	\$204,250	\$0.00	\$0.00
(c) Purchase of a Brush Fire Truck and additional related equipment, and all other necessary or desirable appurtenances, work or materials.	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$218,750</u>	<u>\$207,813</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$625,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$593,750</u></b>	<b><u>\$625,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$593,750</u></b>

**Section 3.**            Section 6(b) of the Original Bond Ordinance is hereby amended to change the period of usefulness from 5 years to 10.25 years.

**Section 4.**            This Amended Bond Ordinance does not authorize any additional indebtedness but merely amends the Original Bond Ordinance to change designated capital improvements and adjust amounts appropriated without increasing the aggregate amount appropriated for capital improvements and purposes under the Original Bond Ordinance.

**Section 5.**            The Original Bond Ordinance is hereby reaffirmed in its entirety and shall remain in full force except as modified herein.

**Section 6.**            This Amended Bond Ordinance amending the Original Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law of New Jersey.

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MOTIONED TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING ON:

ORDINANCE NO. 765

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING CERTAIN UNEXPENDED PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF PREVIOUSLY ISSUED NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST OF AN ADDITIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND TAKING RELATED ACTIONS

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

DISCUSSION: None

MOTIONED TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING:

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

MOTIONED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 765:

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of Buena, County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the “Borough”) has, pursuant to the Local Bond Law, Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, amended and supplemented (“Local Bond Law”), and Bond Ordinance No. 722-2023, finally adopted on February 27, 2023 (“Ordinance No. 722”), originally authorized, issued and sold a bond anticipation note of the Borough, dated May 18, 2023, maturing May 17, 2024, in the principal amount of \$375,000, which note was subsequently extended by the Borough for another year until May 15, 2025 (collectively, the “Existing Obligation”) for the purpose of funding the purchase one (1) new ambulance and one (1) refurbished ambulance as more fully specified in the Ordinance No. 722; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has completed the purchase of the new ambulance as specified in Ordinance No. 722 (the “New Ambulance Purchase”) and has paid the costs of such New Ambulance Purchase and the sum of \$31,848 remains unspent from the proceeds of the Existing Obligations (the “Unexpended Proceeds”); and

WHEREAS, Section 40A:2-39 of the Local Bond Law provides that, if, in the opinion of the Council of the Borough (the “Council”), it is in the best interest of the Borough, the Unexpended Proceeds may be appropriated to and used to finance the cost of any other purpose or purposes for which bonds or notes may be issued; and

WHEREAS, the Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to forego the purchase of the refurbished ambulance and appropriate the Unexpended Proceeds towards the costs of the purchase of a brush fire truck as hereinafter specified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of Buena, Atlantic County, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. Capital Character of Additional Projects; Authorization.

It is hereby determined that the Unexpended Proceeds shall be used to finance the cost of the purchase of a brush fire truck for the Borough (the “Brush Fire Truck Purchase”). The Brush Fire Truck Purchase constitutes a purpose for which bonds may be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law, having a period of usefulness in excess of five (5) years, as required by Section 40A:2-21 of the Local

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Bond Law. The implementation of the Brush Fire Truck Purchase is hereby authorized to be made as a general improvement in and for the Borough.

**Section 2. Appropriation of Unexpended Proceeds.**

It is hereby determined that, in the opinion of the Council, it is in the best interest of the Borough to appropriate the Unexpended Proceeds in the aggregate amount of \$31,848 under Ordinance No. 722 the purchase of the Brush Fire Truck, and accordingly, said sum is hereby appropriated, which Unexpended Proceeds shall be used for the costs associated with the Brush Fire Truck Purchase for the Borough.

**Section 3. Capital Budget Amendment.**

The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full details of the amended capital budget and capital improvement program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, are on file with the Borough Clerk and are available for public inspection.

**Section 4. No Additional Indebtedness Authorized.**

This Ordinance does not authorize any additional indebtedness but merely appropriates proceeds of the Existing Obligation in excess of the amount required to complete the improvements for the financing of which such Existing Obligations and were originally issued.

**Section 5. Repeal of Inconsistent Legislation.**

All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof to the extent inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or rescinded.

**Section 6. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication as required by law.

**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 56-25** A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL CORSIGLIA AS LABORER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS AND ROADS EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2025 WITH REGRETS
- **RESOLUTION 57-25** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR EDWIN & HILDA QUINONES, A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, AND TO REFUND THEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$263.79
- **RESOLUTION 58-25** A RESOLUTION RE-ESTABLISHING THE SPECIAL EVENTS ACCOUNT
- **RESOLUTION 59-25** A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS OF MONITORING WELLS AT THE BOROUGH OF BUENA SANITARY LANDFILL TO EUROFINS QC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,895.00
- **RESOLUTION 60-25** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A FY2026 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SANITARY SEWER AND ROADWAY RESTORATION PROJECT THROUGHOUT THE BOROUGH OF BUENA
- **RESOLUTION 61-25** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF LAUREN BERTONAZZI AS A MEMBER OF THE RECREATION COMMISSION
- **RESOLUTION 62-25** A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO DEBLASIO & ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE SANITARY SEWERS, NJ INFRASTRUCTURE BANK APPLICATION (NJIB) FY2025 CLEAN WATER APPLICATION, INCLUDING ENGINEERING, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES
  
- **BILLS PAID AS LISTED**
  
- **CLERK’S REPORT**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 24, 2025**

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

Mayor Baruffi appointed Mary Donato as a Member of the Recreation Commission to fill the unexpired term of Lauren Bertonazzi.

Mayor Baruffi appointed Dave Fiocchi as the Alternate I Member of the Recreation Commission to fill the unexpired term of Mary Donato.

Mayor Baruffi appointed Lindsay Armanini as the Alternate II Member of the Recreation Commission.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT:**

Solicitor Tonetta reported the drainage at Minotola Estates is complete with the exception of the road, lighting, vegetation, and fencing. Solicitor Malinsky noticed the bonding company. Solicitor Tonetta expects to provide an update by Council’s March 24 meeting.

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**ENGINEER’S REPORT:**

Joseph Mohnack, Borough Engineer

**GRANT APPLICATIONS**

- 1. FY2025 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION
  - THE BOROUGH WAS AWARDED \$183,352.00 IN GRANT MONEY.

**CAPITAL PROJECTS**

- 1. CDBG ADA BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS – NEW AUTOMATIC ACCESS SLIDING DOORS
  - . THE SWING DOOR AT BOROUGH HALL WILL BE REPLACED WITH A DOOR HAVING THE APPROPRIATE PANIC HARDWARE.
- 2. RESURFACING OF THE TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COURTS
  - . THE PROJECT WAS ADVERTISED IN THE NEWSPAPER LAST WEEK ON MARCH 4, 2025. BIDS WILL BE OPENED MARCH 20, 2025.
- 3. FY2023 NJDOT LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS FUND - RECONSTRUCTION OF PLYMOUTH ST AND FRIENDSHIP RD
  - THE ROADS ARE BEING PULVERIZED THIS WEEK. REGRADING AND PAVING WILL COMMENCE IN THE COMING WEEKS.
- 4. NJDCA F.Y.2023 LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT FOR THE RESTROOM BUILDING AT BRUNO MELINI PARK
  - . THE GRANT DEADLINE HAS BEEN EXTENDED INTO 2025. THE PROJECT WILL BE RE-ADVERTISED FOR BID IN APRIL.
- 5. FY2025 NJ WATER BANK SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
  - . THE PROJECT DESIGN IS NEARING COMPLETION.
- 6. LANDFILL CLOSURE
  - . OUR OFFICE IS WORKING WITH NJ PINELANDS COMMISSION AND THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ON THE NECESSARY STEPS FOR CLOSURE.

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**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:** Chief DeCesari informed those present that JP Cleary’s crossing guard has resigned. The position available is 3 hours per day in the morning and afternoon. Those interested may contact the Franklin Township Police Department.

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**NEXT MEETING:** REGULAR MEETING MARCH 24, 2025 6:30 P.M.

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

*Pamela Johnston*  
Pamela Johnston  
Deputy Clerk

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**RESOLUTION NO. 56-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF MICHAEL  
CORSIGLIA AS LABORER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF STREETS AND ROADS EFFECTIVE APRIL  
1, 2025 WITH REGRETS.**

**WHEREAS**, Michael Corsiglia was appointed as a Laborer for the Department of Streets and Roads in the Borough of Buena affective October 29, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Corsiglia has served the Borough of Buena in an exemplary manner; and

**WHEREAS**, Michael Corsiglia has decided to retire effective April 1, 2025; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena that the retirement of Michael Corsiglia be regretfully accepted effective April 1, 2025

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**RESOLUTION NO. 57-25**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES FOR EDWIN & HILDA QUINONES, A  
TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, AND TO REFUND THEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$263.79**

**WHEREAS**, Block 138, Lot 1 owned by Edwin & Hilda Quinones, a total disabled veteran; and

**WHEREAS**, the tax assessor has determined that Mr. Quinones is eligible, and has been granted, total disabled status on Block 138, Lot 1 also known as 207 Melini Avenue effective January 28, 2025.

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Quinones is due a refund prorated for the first quarter of \$263.79.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes for Block 138, Lot 1 in the amount of \$1,142.99 effective January 28, 2025 and to refund Mr. & Mrs. Quinones for the prorated amount of \$263.79.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 58-25**

**RESOLUTION RE-ESTABLISHING THE SPECIAL EVENTS ACCOUNT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Buena established a Special Events account for all donations to be deposited and used for events held in the Borough and,

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Buena has decided to re-establish the Special Events Account and,

**WHEREAS**, when the account was closed in 2022 the balance of \$812.07 was transferred to the Recreation Commission account.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the \$812.07 be transferred back to Special Events, retroactive to January 23, 2025 to re-establish the account.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 59-25**

**A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR SAMPLING AND ANALYSIS OF MONITORING WELLS AT THE  
BOROUGH OF BUENA SANITARY LANDFILL TO EUROFINS QC, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,895.00**

**WHEREAS**, the Road Supervisor has solicited proposals for sampling and analysis of monitoring wells at the Borough of Buena Sanitary Landfill; and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest responsible proposal received was submitted by Eurofins QC, in the amount of \$15,895.00.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Borough of Buena that a contract for laboratory analysis be and the same is hereby awarded to Eurofins QC, in the amount of \$15,895.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and the Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute a purchase order for the laboratory analysis in the amount of \$15,895.00 upon receipt of certification of funds from the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Buena, which shall be attached to this Resolution.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 60-25**

**AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A FY2026 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDING GRANT APPLICATION  
FOR THE SANITARY SEWER AND ROADWAY RESTORATION PROJECT THROUGHOUT THE BOROUGH OF  
BUENA**

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Congressman Jeff Van Drew accepts applications for Federal Funding through the House Appropriations Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, this program is available to all counties and municipalities in the 2<sup>nd</sup> District of the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, subject to funding appropriation, the Community Project Funding Grant Program is established to address specific community infrastructure issues throughout the 2<sup>nd</sup> District of the State; and

**WHEREAS**, these projects are approved at the discretion of the House Appropriations Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, this grant program does require a local match; and the Borough agrees to match up to 35% of the project costs.

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Buena carefully considers grant programs that assist the Borough in achieving projects and programs that are priorities for the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Buena wishes to apply for a FY2026 Community Project Funding Grant for the Sanitary Sewer and Roadway Restoration Project for the following roads in the Borough of Buena:

- South Avenue from West Avenue to Central Avenue
- Arctic Avenue from West Avenue to Central Avenue
- Irene Avenue from US Route 40 to Michael Avenue
- Melini Avenue from US Route 40 to Kennedy Drive

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Borough of Buena formally approves a FY2026 Community Project Funding Grant application.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as FY2026 Community Project Funding Grant to the office of Congressman Jeff Van Drew on behalf of the Borough of Buena.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Buena and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 61-25**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF LAUREN BERTONAZZI AS A MEMBER OF THE  
RECREATION COMMISSION**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that resignation of Lauren Bertonazzi be regretfully accepted effective immediately.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 62-25**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO DEBLASIO &  
ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE SANITARY SEWERS, NJ INFRASTRUCTURE  
BANK APPLICATION (NJIB) FY2025 CLEAN WATER APPLICATION, INCLUDING ENGINEERING, DESIGN, AND  
CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, engineering services are required for the NJ Infrastructure Bank Application (NJIB) FY2025 Clean Water Application; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Engineer, DeBlasio & Associates, has submitted a proposal, attached hereto and incorporated as part of this resolution, to perform the necessary services at a cost not to exceed \$375,000.00, broken down as follows:

- Survey and Engineering Design Phase Services (NJIB Item 4): \$145,000.00
- Construction Phase Services (NJIB Item 5): \$230,000.00
- Total: \$375,000.00



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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that DeBlasio & Associates is hereby retained to provide engineering services for the Sanitary Sewers, NJ Infrastructure Bank Application (NJIB) FY2025 Clean Water Application, including engineering, design, and construction phase services.

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