

**BOROUGH OF BUENA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 9, 2011**

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, May 9, 2011 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 Baker, Santagata, Cugini, DeStefano, Robert De Santo Solicitor and Gail Knott, Deputy Clerk

**ABSENT:** Councilpersons Andaloro and Zappariello

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

**RESOLUTION 49-11** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY BY PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.  
m/Baker s/Cugini

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

**RESOLUTION 50-11** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND AN OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 147, LOT 8 TO BOROUGH OF BUENA CONSTRUCTION CODE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$103.00.  
m/Baker s/Santagata

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

**RESOLUTION 51-11** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REDUCTION OF SURETY BOND NOS. S11300 AND S11301 POSTED FOR LAUREN COURT MAJOR SUBDIVISION. m/Baker s/Cugini

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

**RESOLUTION 52-11** A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA APPROVING THE 2011 PROJECT OF THE BOROUGH BUENA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY. m/Baker s/Cugini

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

**RESOLUTION 53-11** A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO ALADDIN FUEL COMPANY FOR THE REMOVAL OF FIVE DRUMS OF VARIOUS CONTENT FROM THE FORMER MAZZONI PROPERTY. m/Cugini s/DeStefano

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 54-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF SURETY BOND  
POSTED BY CONTE'S PASTA, INC. m/Baker s/DeStefano

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 55-11 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO ENTER  
INTO AN INTER-LOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE ATLANTIC  
COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL FOR  
THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2011 TO DECEMBER 31, 2013.  
m/Baker s/Cugini

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
Baker	n/a	n/a	Andaloro
Santagata			Zappariello
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DeStefano			

Mayor Baruffi reported visiting the new fruit/vegetable market at the  
Landisville Co-op. The progress is going well for the new Italian Market and  
Custard stand owned by Mr. Frandino.

Mr. Laks is selling homes and is also looking into opening up a bussiness  
complex on Wheat Road and Central Avenue. Mayor Baruffi will be meeting with  
Aldo Falasca to discuss the Old Midway Inn site.

The Mayor also thanked John Brunini and the MUA for all the work being done  
on the 2011 MUA project.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

**Mazzoni Property**

The NJDEP case manager has suggested documenting in our reports that the  
building demolition would benefit in the overall remediation of the site.  
We have also verified that the NJDEP has no objection to demolishing the  
building. Insufficient funds are available to hire a contractor to  
demolish this building. Public Works Department has removed stored items  
from the building. Local utility suppliers have been contacted for  
disconnect letters in anticipation of demolition. We have submitted a quote  
to Council for consideration for removal of the barrels.

**Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase III**

The contractor has completed the remaining items on the punch list. We are  
preparing close-out documentation for the NJDOT and Atlantic County.

**FY2010 NJDOT State Aid Applications**

The Borough has received a FY2010 NJDOT Municipal Aid grant for the  
Reconstruction of Forest Grove Road in the amount of \$190,000. The  
construction of the road is complete. There are some punch list items that  
need to be addressed.

**Atlantic County Improvement Authority CDBG Funding**

Currently funds from FY 2008, FY 2009 and FY 2010 have been allocated for  
the construction of storm drainage on Louis Drive. These funds total  
approximately \$91,223.00. We estimate the construction cost to be between  
\$175,000 and \$225,000. This does not include any potential cost for land  
acquisition.

Funds for the FY 2011 grant have been earmarked for drainage improvements  
to Forrest Grove Road. We have not received correspondence from the county  
indicating the value of the grant for this year.

The Borough has \$31,610 in FY 2007 funds for the construction of bleachers,  
a community activity sign and storage shed at the recreation fields. So  
far the Borough has spent \$4,357.00 for the bleachers and \$3,376.00 for the  
shed.

In addition the ACIA indicated that there is still \$2,800.00 remaining from FY 2006 that was originally allocated for the purchase of security cameras. Council had expressed an interest in installing video surveillance in the Bruno Melini Park at a previous meeting. This funding would be available for installing the video surveillance in the park.

The Borough Engineer will follow up with Chief Sherma regarding the video surveillance system.

**Borough of Buena Bike Path, Phase IV**

The borough was awarded \$150,000 by the NJDOT - FY 2010 Bikeway and Pedestrian Facilities Program. The NJDOT is currently reviewing the plans.

**Intersection of Martinelli Avenue and Muccio Drive**

The contractor that will be performing the work on Forrest Grove Road is also the contractor that performed the work on this project. We have discussed the problems at this intersection with the contractor and he will be performing the corrective work while he is working on Forrest Grove Road.

**Forrest Grove Road Drainage**

Our survey crews have completed their field work. It appears that a pipe can be installed along Forrest Grove road to provide drainage for the affected area. We have applied for funding from the ACIA for the project. We recommend budgeting between \$170,000 and \$200,000 for construction.

**Louis Drive Drainage**

We have made application to the ACIA to divert FY 2008, 2009 and 2010 funds toward this project. Upon approval of our application there will be approximately \$91,223.00 available in CDBG funds for this project. We have completed a preliminary design which entails piping the stormwater from Louis drive to a proposed basin in the rear of the fire station on Wheat Road. Unfortunately we can not provide a positive outfall from the basin and therefore the basin will be a retention basin. We will provide a sketch of the proposed facilities to Council for future discussions. This proposal will require easements from adjacent property owners and the fire station for the basin construction.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT: no report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RECYCLING: (COUNCILWOMAN ANDALORO) no report

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)

Councilwoman Baker reported the Emergency Medical Services monies are now coming in to the Borough. A summary of budget accounts reveals departments are holding the line. They should continue to do so; working within the budget.

This morning Councilwoman Baker and Helen Cigala did their part in cleaning up the borough. They weeded the area in front of the Community Center, the area in front of and along side the Joe Dale Pavilion and also the V.F.W. Memorial in Landisville.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)

Bill Nimohay, Road Supervisor was present to provide the following information. A container is available for residents at the Borough's Convenience Center for old electronics.

The Borough will be receiving approximately \$8,700.00 in Clean Communities Funds. The deadline for leaf collections is May 15<sup>th</sup> as posted in the Community Times Newspaper.

Tabled from the April 25, 2011 meeting:  
m/Santagata s/Baker approving South Jersey Gas Companies request for a road opening permit at 117 South Franklin Street

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
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RECREATION: (COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)  
Mayor Baruffi gave a report on behalf of Council Zappariello. The baseball season is in process at the Bruno Melini Park.

Upcoming Events:

May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Memorial Day Service - American Legion Post at 9:00 a.m. V.F.W. Memorial in Landisville at 10:00 a.m.
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Eighth Annual Run 4 Ricky
June 12 <sup>th</sup>	Queen of Angel's Chicken Barbecue - 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	American Cancer Society Bike-A-Thon - Bruno Melini Park
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Buena Day

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI)  
Charles Gazzara, Emergency Management Coordinator was present to inform Council that the Borough will receive from FEMA approximately \$5,500.00 for the February snow storm.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO)  
Councilman DeStefano gave an update on basketball courts in the Borough.

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:  
Charles Gazzara, re; concerns with traffic on Route 40.

CLERK'S REPORT:  
Minutes of the regular meeting of April 25, 2011 were approved m/Baker s/Cugini RCVU

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Ed Walberg, Engineer, requesting an amendment to their original proposal in the amount of \$4,925.00 for the Resurfacing of Forest Grove Road. (Tabled to the next meeting)
2. Dennis Levinson, County Executive, regarding limited funding round of the County Municipal Open Space Financial Assistance Program was acknowledged.
3. Bellview Winery re; requesting permission to set off fireworks on Saturday June 4, 2011 for 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration

m/Santagata s/Baker approved contingent upon receiving a Certificate of Insurance with the Borough of Buena listed as additional insured and a Hold Harmless Agreement acceptable to the Borough's insurance provider

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Santagata with the addition of Purchase Order No. 11-0307 payable to Wizard's Festival of Fun, Inc. in the amount of \$2,500.00

Ayes:	Nays:	Abstain:	Absent:
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NEXT MEETING: May 23, 2011

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/DeStefano RCVU

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GAIL KNOTT, DEPUTY CLERK