BOROUGH OF BUENA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 22, 2012

The regular meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena was held Monday, October 22, 2012 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 Abba, Baker, Santagata, Zappariello, Cugini, and DeStefano, Richard P. Tonetta, Solicitor and Gail Knott, Deputy Clerk

ABSENT: all present

MAYOR'S REPORT:

PRESENTATION: Walter W. Whitaker, Jr., Superintendent of Schools was present to provide an update on the Buena Regional School District.

RESOLUTION 109-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA REJECTING THE BIDS AND AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR COLLECTION SERVICES FOR EMS THIRD PARTY BILLING.
m/Cugini s/Santagata

AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Abba	n/a	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Zappariello			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 110-12 A RESOLUTION RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. PAUL D. TRIVELLINI AS APPOINTING AUTHORITY FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.
m/Baker s/Cugini

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Abba	Zappariello	n/a	n/a
Baker			
Santagata			
Cugini			
DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 111-12 A RESOLUTION APPOINTING PAM JOHNSTON TO THE POSITION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL. m/Baker s/Zappariello

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Zappariello			
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DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 112-12 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC FROM A MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 22, 2012 TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS INVOLVING THE BOROUGH OF BUENA POLICE OFFICERS.
m/Cugini s/DeStefano

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Zappariello			
Cugini			
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RESOLUTION 113-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF REMINGTON, VERNICK AND WALBERG ENGINEERS, 845 NORTH MAIN ROAD, PLEASANTVILLE, NEW JERSEY, FOR ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE KIMBERLY LANE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED ($57,300.00) DOLLARS SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF BOND FUNDING. m/Baker s/Cugini

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RESOLUTION 114-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA TO RETAIN THE SERVICES OF REMINGTON, VERNICK AND WALBERG ENGINEERS, 845 NORTH MAIN ROAD, PLEASANTVILLE, NEW JERSEY, FOR ENGINEERING, INSPECTION AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE 2012 ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED ($33,800.00) DOLLARS SUBJECT TO THE AVAILABILITY OF BOND FUNDING. m/Baker s/Cugini

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DeStefano			

RESOLUTION 115-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA AUTHORIZING THE DEPUTY CLERK TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ON MUCCIO DRIVE AND MARTINELLI AVENUE. m/Cugini s/Abba

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ENGINEER’S REPORT:

FY2010 NJDOT Municipal Aid Project – Resurfacing of Forest Grove Road

The Borough received a FY2010 NJDOT Municipal Aid grant for the Reconstruction of Forest Grove Road in the amount of $190,000.00. The construction of the road is complete. The punch list items are essentially complete. We are working on the paperwork to close-out this project and receive final reimbursement from the NJDOT.

Borough of Buena Bike Path - Phase IV

The Borough was awarded $150,000.00 by the NJDOT – FY 2010 Bikeway and Pedestrian Facilities Program. The project is essentially complete. The contractor is addressing punchlist items.

Forest Grove Road / Kimberly Lane Drainage

Funds for the FY 2011 CDBG grant from the Atlantic County Improvement Authority have been earmarked for drainage improvements to Forest Grove Road. The report for the drainage study is complete. A meeting now needs to be scheduled with the
appropriate Borough Officials, the County and the State to discuss the project.

Louis Drive Drainage
We have made application to the ACIA to divert FY2008, 2009 and 2010 funds toward this project. These funds total approximately $91,223.00. We are currently evaluating alternatives to address the drainage issue. The Borough has also made application to the ACIA for FY2012 funding for the project. We recommend that a meeting be scheduled with the new Administrator, the Mayor and the Roads Committee to discuss the project.

Road Program
Our office previously prepared construction cost estimates for various roadway projects within the Borough. We also submitted a proposal for Engineering, Inspection and Contract Administration for the project. Our office is prepared to begin work immediately upon authorization.

Kimberly Lane Storm Drain Pipe
Our office previously prepared construction cost estimates for installation of an additional drainage pipe from the end of Kimberly Lane to Forest Grove Road. We also submitted a proposal for Engineering, Inspection and Contract Administration for the project. Our office is prepared to begin work immediately upon authorization.

FY2013 NJDOT Municipal Aid Application – Reconstruction of Flower Street
The application has been submitted and the Resolutions have been forwarded to the NJDOT.

ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: no report

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
RECYCLING: (COUNCILMAN ABBA) no report

FINANCE: (COUNCILWOMAN BAKER)
Councilwoman Baker reported that on the bill list today is the final payment for Green Acres. The budget packets will be going out shortly to each department for their requests for our 2013 Budget.

Councilwoman Baker and Richard Baker donated money for the purchase of twenty Welcome to Buena Borough flags on Harding Highway.

STREETS/ROADS: (COUNCILMAN SANTAGATA)
Council President Santagata provided those present with the Road Departments itinerary.

RECREATION:(COUNCILMAN ZAPPARIELLO)
Councilman Zappariello reported the gas to the park pavilion was shut off for the season.

m/Zappariello s/Baker to set the date for Trick or Treat on Saturday, October 27th from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. RCVU

PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS: (COUNCILMAN CUGINI)
A Police Performance Report was disseminated.

Councilman Cugini recommended changing EMS weekend shifts to 12 hours and increasing the stipend to $50.00. In addition, the Councilman made those present aware of the need for additional room at the squad building.

Rhonda Ciraolo is having a problem with Civil Service. The administrator will follow up on the matter.

Council discussed the possibility of not replacing the chief of police but rather hiring a director of public safety. The solicitor will follow up on the matter and advise Council accordingly.

BLDGS/GROUNDS/IMPROVEMENTS: (COUNCILMAN DESTEFANO) no report

PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING:
There was no one present to address Mayor and Council.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. New Jersey State League of Municipalities Legislative Bulleting update was acknowledged.

2. Our Lady of The Blessed Sacrament Parish request for a Raffle License on January 26, 2013. m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

Correspondence filed m/Cugini s/Baker RCVU

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: none

NEW BUSINESS: none

BILLS PAID AS LISTED: m/Baker s/Santagata

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NEXT MEETING: November 13, 2012

MEETING ADJOURNED: m/Cugini s/Santagata RCVU

GAIL KNOTT, DEPUTY MUNICIPAL CLERK