Worksession Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Monday, May 4, 2015 7:00 P.M.
512 Monmouth Street
Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Johnson Keating, Parry, Spencer and James being present. Hutchinson absent.
4. **Sunshine Law:** This meeting is being held in conformance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, otherwise known as the "Sunshine Law". It has been legally noticed in accordance with the law and copies have been given to those requesting the same.
5. **Public Comment Period:**
The Governing Body, in accordance with P.L. 2002, c. 80, have adopted the following guidelines relative to the Public Comment Period (PCP) at Caucus, Worksession, Special and Emergency Meetings of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City: The PCP shall occur at the beginning of each meeting; it shall be no longer than one half-hour in length; every person wishing to speak may do so once during the period for no longer than five minutes. No changes have been made for the PCP of the regular monthly meetings.

Mayor opened up meeting for public comments.
No one wishing to be heard Mayor James closed comment period.

6. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** April 16, 2015 Caucus and Executive Session and April 23, 2015 Regular and Executive (with redactions)
A motion was made by Councilman Parry and seconded by Councilman Keating to approve minutes as presented. All in favor.
7. Reports:
I. Engineer's Report Tim Staszewski of Remington & Vernick Engineers reported on various City projects
II. Committees of Council:
a) Celebrations – Baus stated that things are moving forward with Memorial Day ceremony and the Independence Day events.
b) Finance & Administration- Spencer gave a report on the EDC meeting as well as the issues we will have with next year's budget. We are already looking at a shortfall in the 2016 budget. I will be meeting with all Department Heads in the next few weeks to discuss next year's budget with them.
c) Fire- we are having a Fire Committee meeting this week
d) Housing- Nothing.
e) Licensing- Nothing
f) Police- Department has been out ticketing trucks all over the city. Directed Patrol very busy with the weather getting nice.
g) Public Works-Mr. Zuccarelli informed governing body that the Billy Flynn sign has been re-installed, marina work is on-going, and the light in front of Wing Hing has been fixed. The wires have been removed and bricks secured. Mr. Schindler gave the governing body a full report on the issue at 414 N. Brown. This was the property that the hot water heater failed. Fred had stated his guys have been out to that location a number of times. We had done testing and I have the results for the governing body. We have done everything we could for him and I can tell you the problem is not the city water.

Mayor opened hearing on Taxicab Revocation Hearings: Those in attentendance were Diosdada Delsonia, OC Cab Company and Pedro Brito

Solicitor Wood stated they were all in violation because they did not have valid insurance certificates. The insurance must state that it covers taxis

All taxi owners stated that they were working on getting the right insurance and they would have the proper insurance shortly.
It was agreed to suspend their taxi license until they get the proper insurance.

8. **Resolutions:**
R095 Revoking Rental Registration – 424 Cumberland Street
R096 Revoking Rental Registration- 227 Monmouth Street
R097 Revoking Rental Registration- 709 Division Street
R098 Revoking Rental Registration- 333 Morris Street
R099 Revoking Rental Registration- 304 Middlesex Street

R100 Revoking Rental Registration- 322 Morris Street
R101 Revoking Rental Registration- 606 Market Street
R102 Revoking Rental Registration- 914 Highland Blvd.
R103 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issued to Diosdada Delsonia
R104 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issues to OC Cab Compnay
R105 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issued to Pedro Brito
R106 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issued to Angel Cuello, Amigo Taxi Cab
R107 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issued to Fleming A. Lewis, Jr.
R108 Resolution Concerning the Taxi License Issued to A&D Cab Company
R109 Resolution Rejecting all Bids for the Water Street Sanitary Sewer & Potable Water Main Street
R110 Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Professional Services Contract with SR3Engineers, LLC

Motion by Spencer to approve Resolution R95 thru R102 and R109 and R110, 2nd by Parry. All in favor

Motion by Spencer to approve Resolution R103 thru R 108. As to R 103, 104 and 105 the taxi license is suspended until the City can verify the proper insurance.

As to Resolution 106,107 and 108 those taxi licenses are revoked. 2ND by Keating. All in favor

9 New Business/Old Busess

a) Acceptance of EDC Minutes April 13, 2015
A motion by Parry, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor.

b) Taxicab Revocation Hearings

10. Communications

a) NJSLM Bulletin (distributed previously)

b) from GCBA – use of Betsy Ross Pavilion, Prop Park, and Marina restroom for Annual Waterfront Stroll June 23rd 3:30 -11:00PM Motion by Spencer, 2nd by Keating. All in favor

13. Round Table:

Councilman Spencer stated that we are in for some hard financial times with next year's budget. He will be setting up meetings with Department Heads to go over the 2016 Budget.

Councilwoman Baus stated that things are looking good for the Memorial Day event.

Bob Bevan gave a report on various issues such as the dock damage at Freedom Pier, the Northwind and the preparation for the tall ships.

R111 To Enter into Closed for the discussion of litigation and negotiations. Motion by Keating and 2nd by Baus to enter into Executive Session. All in favor.

Motion by Parry, 2nd by Keating to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at815p.m.

ATTEST: JACK LIPSETT, INTERIM CITY CLERK