

**WORKSESSION MEETING OF THE
MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF GLOUCESTER CITY**

Tuesday, January 2, 2013 7:00 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Councilman Marchese at 7:10 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Bucher, Hutchinson, Marchese, Parry and Spencer were present. Mayor James arrived at 7:30 p.m.
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. There were no persons from the public wishing to speak.
6. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** December 20, 2012 regular and executive (with redactions) Motion by Bucher, 2nd by Parry to approve. All in favor.
7. **Reports: I. Engineer's Report** Paul Kelley of Remington & Vernick reported on the following: NJ Environmental Infrastructure Trust – NJDEP currently reviewing projects for funding; Spencer questioned Cumberland St. – Kelley reported DOT has not announced funding.

II. Committees of Council:

- a) Celebrations—Bucher- next meeting Thurs. at 6 p.m.
 - b) Finance & Administration-Spencer reported meeting Jan. 9th 5 p.m. and then meeting with all department heads Saturday Jan. 26th re: 2013 budgets.
 - c) Fire – Battalion vehicle in service
 - d) Housing-Steckclair reported working on ordinance changes.
 - e) Licensing-Nothing to report.
 - f) Police- Chief reported burglaries being solved; putting pictures of criminals on facebook; interviewing for police officer position; Officer Johnson – 81 convictions for disorderly houses - \$32,000 in fines collected.
 - g) Public Works-Parry reported leaf collection done for year; brine picked up by other towns; wants to change permit fee for concrete to \$12-\$15; met with FEMA re: damage at pier working on shared services for trash pick up with other towns.
8. **Licenses:** None
9. **Resolutions:**
- R001a** Designating Handicapped Parking Spaces
Motion by Bucher, 2nd by Marchese to approve except 415 Bergen St. All in favor.
10. **Ordinances:** *for first reading this evening with second reading and public hearing to be held on January 24, 2013 at 8:00 P.M.*
- 001** Ordinance Concerning a Petition to the New Jersey Legislature to Adopt a Special Law to Amend the City Charter
Motion by Parry, 2nd by Marchese to approve. Roll Call: Bucher, Hutchinson, Marchese, Parry and Spencer voting in the affirmative.
11. **Old Business:**
12. **New Business:** Lipsett reported Jan. 15th Elected Officials Seminar in Berlin
13. **Communications:** None
14. **Round Table:** Kearney questioned how Jentsch should handle executive minutes that can now be redacted. Jentsch will unredact those that have been settled, unless attorney client privilege and email to Governing Body prior to releasing to public if requested.
Spencer reported Jan. 14th having surgery; will be out for 4-6 weeks.
Lipsett reported Spencer named to Mummies String Band Hal of Fame.
15. **Adjournment** Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Parry to adjourn. All in favor.

ATTEST:


KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH, CITY CLERK