

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

Monday, May 6, 2013 7:00 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James being present. Bucher was 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. There were no persons from the public.
6. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** April 18, 2013 Caucus and Executive (with redactions) and April 25 Regular Meeting Motion by Parry, 2nd by Hutchinson. All in favor.
7. **Reports: I. Engineer's Report** – Paul Kelley reported on the following:
Broadway Street Lighting Program, Phase II, project was awarded to Bud Concrete. Construction Management part of project should be awarded to CES. Pre-construction within month; King Street Pump Station – NJDEP TWA Permit has been received. Bids will be received May 22; DOT awarded \$216,350 for road reconstruction of Cumberland St.

II. Committees of Council:

- a) Celebrations--yard sale this weekend at Freedom Pier 8:30-1; celebrations mtg 6:15 this Thursday.
- b) Finance & Administration- Spencer reported meeting tomorrow night; budget on for tonight;
- c) Fire – Chief reported 3 fires within 2 days – no injuries; switched to new radio system; shared service agreement with 6 other towns with pump and aerial test; Jim O'Connor started as temp firefighter today. Spencer questioned text alerts- Chief will check with IT person;
- d) Housing- putting out bids for water tower; 4 day work week working out; Stecklair – ordinance 55-14 needs amendment; ready to send letters to bank re: abandoned properties.
- e) Licensing- Nothing to report.
- f) Police- Nothing to report.
- g) Public Works- Parry – working down ballfields sprinkler system. Schindler being served for new permit for combined sewers; permit is approximately 60 pages- it is Federal permit; reviewing fees for wastewater with public works committee; Mayor questioned letter regarding Nicholson Road pump station– to be discussed at public works committee meeting. Spencer questioned Maple and Market hydrant – Schindler reported it was hit and needs repair but insurance only paid \$16,000 – insurance company should be contacted.

8. Resolutions

- R123** Providing that Budget be Read by Title Only –Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd Baus to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry, Spencer, Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

Public Hearing on 2013 Municipal Budget No one from the public was in attendance.

- R124** Amending the 2013 Municipal Budget (must be read in full by City Clerk and requires roll call) Motion by Spencer, 2nd by Hutchinson and requires roll call)
Motion by Spencer, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry, Spencer, Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

- R125** Adopting 2013 Municipal Budget as Amended for the City of Gloucester City County of Camden – (must be read by City Clerk and requires roll call) Motion by Spencer, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry, Spencer, Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

- R126** Authorizing Amendment to Interlocal Services Agreement (RCA and Small Cities)
- R127** Authorizing the Sale of City Property to Contiguous Property Owner

- R128** Awarding Contract to CES for Construction Management for Broadway Improvements Phase Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Parry to approve resolutions as presented. All in favor.

9. **Ordinances:** for first reading this evening, with second reading and public hearing to be held on Thursday, May 23, 2013 – 313 Monmouth Street 8:00 p.m.

008 Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Improvements to the Sanitary Sewer System in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey: Appropriating the Sum of \$2,157,517 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$2,157,517; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing.

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Parry to approve as presented. Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative. Johnson abstained.

009 Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Removal and Replacement of Water Mains and the Replacement of the Automatic Water Meter Reading System in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey: Appropriating the Sum of \$2,092,697 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of \$2,092,697; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing.

Motion by Parry, 2nd by Baus to approve. Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative. Johnson abstained.

10. New Business/Old Business

a) Review and possible amendment of Solicitor's code- to be discussed further at next meeting.
b) Request for Dry Opening Permit May 12, 2013 9:30 – noon (Max's Café) – Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Johnson to approve. All in favor.

11. Communications:

a) From Robert Stein – information only – applying for garage height variance 336 Klemm Ave.
b) from Karl and Marge Kahlan – issues with Nicholson Road Pump Station- to be discussed by Public Works Committee
c) Request from Marilyn for May 25th small Yard Sale – across from Mt. Ephraim senior center. Steckclair stated there is no crosswalk and suggested signage. Approved as long as a traffic sign is visible.

12 Round Table:

Johnson abstained from bond ordinances. He will meet with Fred to get better understanding. Spencer questioned if monies from Community Clean up grant can be used for advertising; Schindler suggested using his environmental corner in local newspaper. Discussion on who can file charges against residents that do not clean up after their dogs when they are walking them.

Lipsett thanked Frank Robertson for his work on budget.
Motion by Baus, 2nd by Spencer to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST:

KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH

