

**Regular Monthly Meeting of the  
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City  
Monday, January 23, 2023, 7:00 P.M.  
313 Monmouth Street**

**Minutes**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** By Mayor Baile at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Berglund, Budesha, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile present.

4. **Open Public Meetings Act Notice:** This meeting is being held in accordance 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. **Minutes:** December 15, 2022 Caucus Meeting with Closed Session, December 22, 2022 Regular Monthly Meeting and Reorganization Meeting January 5, 2023

**Motion By:** Timm, **Second By:** Berglund to approve. All in favor with the exception of Budesha who abstained.

**Public Comment for Resolutions Only:**

6. **Resolutions:**

R027 Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property (Fire Dept. boots/helmets)

R028 Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property (Fire Dept. equipment)

R029 Resolution Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property (Fire Dept. electrical inventory)

R030 Resolution Authorizing Adjustments on the Planning and Zoning Escrow Account

R031 Resolution to Correct Billing Charges on Utility Records

R032 Resolution to Refund Payments on Various Utility Records

R033 Resolution to Provide for Budget Transfers

R034 Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 to the Contract between Insituform, LLC and the City of Gloucester City for Combined Sewer and Pipe Charles Street

R035 Resolution Awarding a Contract to Penmoni Engineers for Building Demolition of 51 South Brown Street, Block 151, Lot 15

R036 Resolution Appointing Thomas E. Hassett as Qualified Purchasing Agent

R037 Resolution Authorizing a Shared Service Agreement by and between the Township of Voorhees and the City of Gloucester City for the Transfer of a 1987 International Saulsbury Rescue Truck

R038 Resolution Authorizing Hiring of Police Officer for the Gloucester City Police Department

**Motion By:** Baus, **Second By:** Johnson to approve.

**Roll Call:** Baus, Berglund, Budesha, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

7. **Ordinances for First Reading this Evening and Second Reading on February 23, 2023:**

O 01-2023 Ordinance of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey Amending the Gloucester City Land Development Ordinance 36-96 to Provide for a Cannabis Establishment as a Conditionally Permitted Use Overlay Zone

**Motion By:** Page, **Second By:** Johnson to approve.

**Roll Call:** Baus, Berglund, Budesha, Johnson, Page and Mayor Baile voted Yes. Timm voted No.

O 02-2023 Ordinance of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey to Amend and Supplement the Code of the City of Gloucester City, Entitled "Cannabis Municipal Tax" to Collect a Statutorily Authorized Two Percent (2%) Municipal Transfer Tax on Cannabis Sales by Class I, II and V License Holders and One Percent (1%) Municipal Transfer Tax on Cannabis Sales by Class III License Holders

**Motion By:** Berglund, **Second By:** Page to approve.

**Roll Call:** Baus, Berglund, Budesha, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

8. **Old Business/New Business:**

a) **Bills Paid from Dec. 23, 2022 to Jan. 18, 2023** \$ 1,412,418.20

**Bills Approved Jan. 23, 2023** \$ 763,064.23

**Total amount being approved:** \$ 2,175,482.43

**Motion By:** Page, **Second By:** Berglund to approve.

**Roll Call:** Baus, Berglund, Budesha, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile voting in the affirmative.

9. **Open Public Forum on any topic:**

The Governing Body has approved the following rules governing the procedures of the Open (General) Public Forum:

- Any citizen or taxpayer wishing to address the Governing Body may do so after approaching the rail, stating his or her name and address and being recognized by the chair. Said citizen or taxpayer will then be permitted to address the Governing Body for five minutes. After all persons wishing to address the Governing Body have had the opportunity, persons may approach the rail for a second and final five-minute interval during this session. Our attorneys have advised us that we cannot prevent you from making remarks about our employees. They have requested that we advise you that our employees are not Public Officials and you are not immune from civil actions they may bring as a result of your remarks. No persons wishing to speak.
- Mayor Baile stated that the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast will be held this Saturday at 9:00 a.m.

**Motion By:** Timm, **Second By:** Baus to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. All in favor.

**ATTEST:**

  
VANESSA L. LITTLE, CITY CLERK