

Caucus Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Thursday, February 18, 2016 7:00 P.M.
512 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:05 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James being present.
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 James opened the floor for public comment.s
Shawn Hainesworth, 609 Powell St. – presented idea of apprenticeship program and sample ordinance from Newark. Mayor explained City working with some ideas right now but would welcome his input. Mr. Hainesworth questioned up boarded up homes – Mayor explained they have to be boarded up because of squatters, etc.
6. Remediation/Redevelopment Construction Progress Report – January 2016 – presented by Jeff Dey
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve invoices totaling \$16,766.64 and \$51,608.63. All in favor.
7. **Minutes:** January 21, 2016 Caucus and Executive and January 28, 2016 Regular Meeting
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor.
Tim S from Remington & Vernick Engineers provided his monthly report.
8. **Reports: Committees of Council:**
 - a) Celebrations – Baus reported Little Miss/Mister March 10th; Easter Celebration will be at Cold Springs School and next meeting is March 14th.
 - b) Finance & Administration- Spencer reported meeting with CWA March 15th; 2016 budget (and capital) being worked on; Colleen's Caterers requesting \$250,000. Info being reviewed by Brett Wiltsey; 2.6 million remaining in surplus; commended Tax Collector for best collection rates for taxes and water and sewer utilities; read Public Works yearly report and felt it was tremendous.
 - c) Fire- Nothing to report.
 - d) Housing- Nothing to report.
 - e) Licensing- Jentsch reported on licenses below.
 - f) Police- Nothing to report.
 - g) Public Works- Parry reported Martin's Lake – waiting to weather to clear; 3 out on injuries; JIF inspection passed.
9. **Licenses:**
 - a) Audubon Education Foundation – Armchair Races March 11, 2016
 - b) Audubon Education Foundation – 50/50 – March 11, 2016
 - c) PTO Fast Cold Springs – Handbag Bingo March 19th
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor.
10. **Resolutions**
 - R034** Correcting Billing Charges on Utility Records
 - R035** Authorizing Senior and Veterans Deductions
 - R036** Authorizing Assignment of Tax Title Liens (City Liens) See Attached Schedule from 1-14-2016 Tax Sale
 - R037** Awarding a Contract to International Fireworks Manufacturing Co. for Extraordinary Unspecified Services
 - R038** Authorizing Permit for Public Fireworks Display
 - R039** Rejecting Bids Received for Marina Dredging
 - R040** Authorizing an Emergency Contract to Mount Construction Co., Inc. in the Amount of \$27,585.08 Pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-6 (*King Street water main*)
 - R041** Awarding a Contract to Mathis Construction Co., Inc. for Replacement of Hudson Street Water and Sewer Mains
 - R042** Authorizing Request for Proposals for Emergency Basic Life Ambulance Services
 - R043** Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey Authorizing and Approving the Issuance and Sale of Up to \$830,888 of Bonds of the City of Gloucester City Consisting of the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016A; the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016B; Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of the Loan Agreements to be Executed by the City and Each of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Trust and State of New Jersey, Acting by and Through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; Further Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Escrow Agreement, All Pursuant to the 2016 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program; and Determining Certain Other Matters in Connection Therewith
 - R044** Resolution of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey Authorizing and Approving the Issuance of up to \$588,596 of Bonds of the City of Gloucester City Consisting of the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016C; the City's General Obligation Bonds, Series 2016D; Authorizing the Execution of Delivery of the Loan Agreements to be Executed by the City and Each of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Trust and State of New Jersey, Acting by and Through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; Further Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of an Escrow Agreement, all Pursuant to the 2016 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program; and Determining Certain Other Matters in Connection Therewith

R045 Authorizing the Re-Appointment of Kathleen M. Jentsch to the Position of Registrar of Vital Statistics
R046 Awarding a Contract to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for 2015 Road Program Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Parry to approve. All in favor.

11. Ordinances for second reading and public hearing this evening:

O02 Amending Chapter 49- Games of Chance (*correcting an old bingo/raffle fee error from years ago*) There were no persons wishing to speak, motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

O03 Exceeding the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-45.14

There were no persons wishing to speak, motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

O04 Authorizing Subdivision of Property (*Ogle-Highland Blvd.*)

There were no persons wishing to speak, motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

O05 Regulating The Containment of Fowl and Other Animals Within the City of Gloucester City

There were no persons wishing to speak, motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve.

Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.

12. Old Business/New Business

a) 2 Alternate Vacancies – Historic Preservation Commission- Spencer working on; Lipsett reported vacancy on Planning Board – George Berglund interested-Mayor ok.

b) Proposal from ERI for Preliminary Investigation for Determination of Area in Need of Redevelopment Block 270, Lot 12 (\$3,500)

c) Proposal from R&V for Tax Map Maintenance (\$3,500)

d) Proposal from Pennoni for Marina Dredging Re-Bid (\$7,500)- Jack to try to get them to lower their proposal.

d) Possible Change of Date for March Caucus (*March 17th*)- it was decided to cancel

13. Communications:

a) from John Hoffman – request to purchase lot adjacent to 212 Middlesex St.-Lipsett notifying contiguous property owners.

b) from NJDOT – request to vacate portion of Birch Avenue (Block 270, Lot 12)-Wood to handle.

c) from Chuck Walmsley GCLL – request for use of minor and t-ball fields June 17 till July 4th for Tournament- will be discussed with Youth Athletic Committee.

d) from VFW – request for Block Party May 21, 2016-Jentsch to provide them with Block Party app.

e) from Div. of ABC – liquor violation King Street Pub

O47 To Enter Into Closed Session for discussion of personnel and contracts.

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to enter into closed. All in favor.

Meeting went into closed at 8:15 p.m.

ATTEST:



KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH, CITY CLERK