

Caucus Meeting of the  
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City  
Thursday, September 15, 2016 7:00 P.M.  
512 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7 pm

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James

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:** September 6, 2016 (pending)

7. **Committees of Council:**

a) Celebrations – Baus – meeting Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> 6:30; Yard Sale Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> - \$5 for address on map; Clean up day Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>; Parry needs dates for calendar

b) Finance & Administration- Spencer-meeting Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> to narrow Collector interviewees down to 3; Joanne Eddy extended retirement to May 1, 2017.

c) Fire- Lipsett –interviews were held for Lt.

d) Housing- Nothing to report.

e) Licensing- Nothing to report.

f) Police- Chief reported 200 Block of Somerset search resulted in narcotics and cash

g) Public Works- Parry-air conditioning unit at Community Center needs replacement (\$54,000); trash bid due Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>; needs employees for leaf collection; rabies clinic 9/17; PEOSHA violations abated; need meeting with Fred regarding his replacement, etc.; Charles Street needs repair

8. **Resolutions**

**R175** Making Adjustments to Various Tax Records

**R176** Authorizing Senior and Veterans Deductions

**R177** Correcting Billing Charges on Utility Records

**R178** Refunding Payments on Various Tax Records

**R179** Refunding Payments on Various Utility Records

**R180** Authorizing Refund on Transfer of Title Inspection Fees (512 Ridgeway St.)

**R181** Awarding a Contract to A.C. Schultes, Inc. (*Redevelopment Well 40 \$16,500.00*)

**R182** Amending Capital Budget

**R183** Authorizing Purchase of One (1) 2014 Ford Interceptor Police Vehicle for the Gloucester City Police Dept. Motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson to approve. All in favor.

9. **Ordinances** – for 1<sup>st</sup> reading *this evening*, with 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and public hearing to be held on *Thursday, October 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., 512 Monmouth St.*

**O23** Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Improvements to the Sanitary Sewer System in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden., New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$2,150,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$2,150,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing Motion by Parry, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to approve.

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**O24** Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Removal and Replacement of Water Mains in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$1,100,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$1,100,000; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing Motion by Parry, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson to approve.

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10. **Old Business/New Business:**

a) Flood Ordinance – possible amendment per DEP – Len Wood to review.

11. **Communications:**

a) from Cub Scout Pack 165 – use of Proprietor’s Park October 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> - ok

b) from Gloucester Catholic – use of Proprietor’s Park Sept. 24<sup>th</sup> 4-7 for Alumni Mass- ok

c) From Susan Burke – request to change AWA in Voorhees to Blackwood Animal Hospital for TNR program- Council will review

d) From Susan Burke – request for cages/traps for TNR program-Council will review

e) from Mike Murphy – 12 year old Gators – use of ballfields 2-3x per week with lights – ok

12. **Round Table**

Spencer – 2 retired firefighters passed away (Gross and Brown) –moment of silence at next meeting; resident wrote in Gloucester City news issue with traffic on Essex – County has done nothing- Lipsett to contact them and address her concern

Johnson – Market Street traffic getting worse – Mayor has tried talking to State about timing of lights.

Lipsett – Demolition Loan Fund moving forward  
Baus – 900 block Center St. – drug trafficking going on.

**R184** To Enter Into Closed for discussion of personnel.  
Motion by Keating, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus. All in favor.  
Meeting went into closed at 7:35 pm

After closed with the same members being present, the following actions were taken:  
Motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to appoint Michael Morrell as Police Captain at his current rate of pay effective  
Sept. 8, 2016 until salary ordinance established. All in favor.

Motion by Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Parry to appoint Mark Campanell as Fire Lt. effective Sept. 16, 2016 All in favor.

Motion by Spencer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hutchinson to adjourn. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:



KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH, CITY CLERK