

Regular Monthly Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Thursday, January 26, 2017 7:30 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:33 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Johnson, Keating, Parry, and Mayor James being present. Hutchinson and Spencer were excused.
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:** January 19, 2017 (pending)
6. **Resolutions:**
 - R031 Authorizing Agreement By and Between the County of Camden and Various Participating Entities Concerning the Regional Rescue Task Force
 - R032 Authorizing a Contract to Triad Associates for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services
 - R033 Authorizing Waiver of Hall Rental Fee
 - R034 Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with Trans World Power, LLC and Southport Renewal, LLC
 - R035 Appointment to Gloucester City Housing Authority (*Martha Dougherty*)
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Parry to approve. All in favor.
7. **Ordinances for 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:**
 - O01 Removing Chapter 86B (Vacant Property Registration) from the Code of the City of Gloucester City
There were no persons from the public wishing to speak. Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Johnson, Keating, Parry, and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.
8. **Licenses**
 - a) St. Mary's Raffle Licenses #4-2017 (50/50) and #5-2017 (Basket) And request for waiver of City fees
Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Keating to approve. All in favor.
9. **Old Business/New Business:**
 - a) Bills paid from Dec. 29, 2016 to Jan. 18, 2017 \$1,345,736.01
Bills Approved Jan. 26, 2017 \$ 124,027.94

Total amount being approved \$1,469,763.95
Motion by Parry, 2nd by Keating to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Johnson, Keating, Parry, and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.
10. **Open Forum:** *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*

Nicole Nardi, 406 Ridgeway St., does the city give special treatment to City employees. She feels Michael Johnson was given special treatment. She continued to request information on what steps were taken regarding His criminal matter. Solicitor Wood explained prosecutor's office dismissed the case and personnel matters cannot be discussed. City follows civil service rules and regulations.
Marge Kennan, Municipal Coordinator on Aging gave a short report.
Linda Angelo, 222 Gehrig and reporter for Gloucester City News questioned if city would be giving a response to Michael Johnson report that was on news. Solicitor Wood explained it is a personnel matter and cannot be discussed
No other persons from public wishing to speak.
Solicitor Wood reported receiving request to have taverns open early during March 5th event. It was agreed 10 am. He will have resolution prepared for work session.
Motion by Parry, 2nd by Johnson to approve appointment of Eric Fooder January 17th as Asst. Director of Public Works, salary \$85,000. All in favor.
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve appointment of James Davis as Tax Collector with a date to be determined (within 2 weeks), salary \$69,000. All in favor.