

Regular Monthly Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Thursday, September 28, 2017 7:30 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street

Minutes

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:30 pm

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**

3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James being 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. **Remediation/Redevelopment Construction Progress Report** –Jeff Dey – August 2017. Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve bills totaling \$34,095.71. All in favor.

6. **Proclamations:** Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day October 10, 2017

7. **Resolutions:**

R250 Resolution to Accept Camden County Department of Homeland Security, Emergency Management Agency Assistance Performance Grant Program Funding for the Federal Fiscal Year 2016

R251 Requesting Permission of the Director of Local Government Services to Anticipate Special Item of Revenue in the 2016 Budget of the City of Gloucester City Pursuant to 40A:4-87 (Chapter 159, P.L. 1948)

R252 Authorizing a Person to Person and Place to Place Transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License 0414-33-035 (*Cap's Bar*)

R253 Authorizing the Award of a Fair and Open Contract for Planning and Conflict Engineering Services Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve. All in favor.

8. **Ordinances:** *for 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:*

O28 Authorizing the Sale of Property (*207 Hudson St.*)

No persons from public 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.

O29 Authorizing Sale of Property (*300 North Broadway*)

No persons from public wishing to speak, motion by Keating, 2nd by Johnson to approve.

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

O30 Authorizing Sale of Property (*306 Somerset St.*)

No persons from public 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.

O31 Authorizing Sale of Property (*500 Paul St.*)

No persons from the public wishing to speak, motion by Keating, 2nd by Johnson to approve.

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

O32 Authorizing Sale of Property (*Hudson St.*)

No persons from the public 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.

9. **Old Business/New Business:**

a) Bills Paid from Aug. 25, 2017 to Sept. 21, 2017 \$ 719,954.96

Bills Approved Sept. 28, 2017 \$ 1,093,391.05

Total amount being approved \$1,813,346.01

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve.

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

abstained from Ft. Nassau payment.

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*

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.

R246 Awarding a Contract to Tortorice Contractors, LLC for Senior Center Roof Replacement and Library Roof Repairs

R247 Adopting Mitigation Plan for Four New Jersey Counties
Motion by Spencer, 2nd by Johnson to approve. All in favor.

10. Ordinances: for 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:

O27 Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (*Police Chief*)
Motion by Baus, 2nd by Keating to approve.

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

O33 Amending Chapters 71, 86 and 90 of the Code of the City of Gloucester City
Mayor James opened the floor for public comments

Bob Booth, 114 N. Broadway – business community does not like the way they are billed. Mike from Bowman & Company explained they are looking into formula based on usage. Mayor reported investigating other towns too. Mike from Bowman reported consumption method is going to be a dramatic increase.

Motion by Keating, 2nd by Spencer to approve.

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

R248 Designating Salaries for Employees Serving in Titles with Salary Ranges
Jentsch explained resolution in packets had the incorrect dollar amount. It should read \$134,600.
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Parry to approve resolution with amendment. All in favor.

11. Old Business/New Business:

a) Handicap Parking Request: 420 Market St. and 216 Warren St.
216 Warren St. being reviewed

R249 Designating Handicapped Parking Spaces: Adding 420 Market St.
Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor.

12. Communications:

a) from VFW Post 3620 – request for waiver of City fee for Pull Tab Raffle License
Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Baus to approve.

b) from Denise George – use of softball fields – discussed above.

c) from Alesa Lacovara – request for painting of curb across from her property due to problems with bus drop off of child

Chief and Tedesco to go out and look at area and ordinance will be prepared by Solicitor Wood.

Parry reported nobody showed from Royal Farms at Planning Board hearing. Lipsett will contact their attorney.
Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Baus to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

ATTEST:


KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH, CITY CLERK