

Work Session Meeting of the  
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City  
Monday, April 3, 2017 7:00 P.M.  
512 Monmouth Street  
Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer, and Mayor James all 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.

No one wished to speak.

6. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** None
7. **Reports:**
  - I. **Engineer's Report** – Engineer Staszewski gave his monthly report
  - II. **Committees of Council:**
    - a) Celebrations – Spencer gave a report on the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ceremony
    - b) Finance & Administration- Spencer stated that the final adoption of budget would be May 1st
    - c) Fire – will discuss the Fire department in executive session
    - d) Housing
    - e) Licensing
    - f) Police- we will be having a Police Committee meeting on April 13, 2017
    - g) Public Works
8. **Proclamation:** Supporting 2017 UDrive. UText. UPay Distracted Driving Crackdown April 1-21
9. **Resolutions:**

**R080** Introduction of 2017 Budget (*requires roll call*)

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

(This budget shall be advertised in summary form in the April 13<sup>th</sup> edition of the Gloucester City News and the Public Hearing for the same to be held at the regularly scheduled Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Common Council on May 1, 2017 7 pm at 313 Monmouth St. (Note-location change)

A motion was made by Keating, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to approve on first reading the 2017 budget. All in favor with the exception of Hutchinson who voted no.

10. **Ordinances:**

- O05** Ordinance to Release, Vacate and Extinguish Any and All Public Rights In and to a Portion of Birch Avenue Subject to Certain Terms and Conditions (**TABLED FROM Feb. 16, 2017**) – **ordinance no longer needed.**

*for first reading this evening, 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and public hearing to be held April 27th, 2017 7:30 pm, 313 Monmouth St.*

- O12** Amending a Portion of Chapter 37 of the Code of the City of Gloucester City (*increase plan review fee and adding solar panel fee*)

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

A motion was made by Councilman Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to approve on first reading. All in favor.

**O13** Authorizing Roadway Changes (*Middle School traffic*)

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

A motion was made by Baus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hutchinson to approve on first reading. All in favor.

**11. Old Business/New Business**

- a) Resolution Modifying Certain Provisions of Prior Adopted Ordinances (Verizon Wireless)
  - b) Ordinance Modifying, Amending the Code of City of Gloucester Regarding Peddling and Soliciting
- Will take action on these items at next scheduled meeting.

**(TABLED)**

**12. Communications**

- a) from Dawn Ragan – Heroes to Hero Run Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> (*same as Clean-up Day*)
- b) NJLM Bulletin (*distributed previously*)
- c) from Liquor Barn owners regarding possible liquor store at Hog and Bull location
- d) from Len Wood – response regarding use of fuel by Gloucester Catholic
- e) from Mike and Mary Murphy – vacant lot at Sylvan and Park
- f) from Frank Robertson – Roll over Bond Anticipation Note

It was decided to change City wide clean-up day from October 14 to October 7 so it does not conflict with the Heroes to Heroes run.

A motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>ND</sup> Keating to accept the above referenced Communications. All in favor.

**R-81** To Enter into Closed for the discussion of personnel, contracts and negotiations.

A motion by Baus, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johnson to enter in executive session. All in favor.

**13. Adjournment**

A motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

ATTEST:



JACK LIPSETT, INTERIM CITY CLERK