

Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7 pm
 2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
 3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer, 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.
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.
There were no persons from public wishing to speak
 6. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** September 21, 2017 Caucus – Motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve. All in favor.
 7. **Reports:**
 - I. **Engineer's Report** Tim S. from R & V provided monthly report.
 - II. **Committees of Council:**
 - a) Celebrations –Baus – Oct. 12th 6:30 next meeting; Spencer – unveiling Mayor pictures Oct. 26 6-7:15; Oct. 23rd 150th anniversary meeting 6 pm. Nov. 11th after Vet Ceremony will be unveiling of first block of Veterans bricks.
 - b) Finance & Administration-meeting Oct. 12th 5 pm
 - c) Fire –Hagan – Oct. 12th Open House 6-8; Hubbs retiring end of November
 - d) Housing-nothing to report.
 - e) Licensing-see license below.
 - f) Police-nothing to report.
 - g) Public Works-Tedesco- Clean Up Day and Shred Event this Sat. 9-1 ; Fooder – installing fire hydrant Nicholson Rd. – Brown Water complaint has been addressed-hydrant was opened by contractor in error; Keating requested being notified of such issues.
 8. **Licenses:** VFW Pull Tab Raffle 1-2018-Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve. All in favor.
 9. **Resolutions:** None
 10. **Ordinances:** *for first reading this evening. 2nd reading and public hearing to be held on October 19, 2017 at 7 pm 313 Monmouth St.*
O34 Amending Section 87 of the Code of the City of Gloucester City (*Limited parking 125 Oxford Ave.*) Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve.
Roll Call: Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative.
 - O35** Amending Chapter 5 (Public Contracting) of the Code of the City of Gloucester City Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve.
 - Roll Call:** Baus, Hutchinson, Johnson, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James voting in the affirmative. Keating abstained.
11. **Old Business/New Business**
 - a) Handicap Parking Requests: Adding 407 Hunter Street and 216 Warren Street – being reviewed
 - b) Coin Toss Request- Gloucester City Little League October 13, 2017; Gloucester Youth Soccer November 10, 2017;
- R255** Resolution to Approve Coin Tosses
Motion by Parry, 2nd by Keating to approve contingent upon county approval. All in favor.
- c) Request for use of Proprietors Park June 23, 2018 for Summer Solstice Music Festival. Proceeds to benefit Sara James Music Foundation. Danielle Neilio was in attendance and explained monies will in turn be used to provide free music lessons to kids and teens in Gloucester City. There will be vendors, crafts, food trucks and beer garden. She is aware of insurance requirement and will talk with department heads as needed.
- R256** To Enter Into Closed Session for discussion of contracts, negotiations, potential land sale, litigation. Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor. Meeting went into closed at 7:30 pm

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Christine McHale, 905 Jersey Ave. – still having issues with parking from Pine Grove bingo and parties. Mayor explained we cannot stop them from renting their facility.

Robert Martorano, 350 9th St. – situation with parking was okay but always comes back again; Dollar Tree dumpsters are an issue as well as grass not being cut. Mayor will address.

Chip Grace, 318 Sherman St. – questioned if decision has been made on amending residency requirement. It is antiquated and discriminatory. Solicitor Long reported Council can take any action they support and they are not moving forward at this time to change.

Bob Booth, 114 N. Broadway – past president of GCBA – was asked by board to request Council rescind ordinance 33-2017. Council will not be rescinding.

R254 To Enter Into Closed Session for discussion of personnel, Southport

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

Meeting went into closed at 8:02 pm.

After closed with the same members being present, the following action was taken:

Motion by Parry, 2nd by Johnson to laterally transfer Ryan Williamson to title of Pump Station Operator effective October 2, 2017 \$43,968. All in favor.

Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to hire temporary employees for leaf collection: Brian Pate, Patrick Plumley and Brian Flood. All in favor.

Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to adjourn. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

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