

Caucus Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Thursday, July 19, 2018 7:00 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street
Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor James at 7:02 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Baus, Johnson, Keating, Parry, Spencer and Mayor James being present. Hutchinson arrived 7:23 pm
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 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.

Mayor James opened the floor for public comments

Michael Storms, 153 Park Ave. – requested street light and speed bump. Johnson will look into it.

6. Remediation/Redevelopment Construction Progress Report – provided by Jeff Dey for June 2018.
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Parry to pay invoices totaling \$18,579.20. All in favor.
7. **Minutes:** June 21, 2018 Caucus and Executive (with redactions); June 28, 2018 and July 11, 2018 Special Meeting – Motion by Keating, 2nd by Baus to approve. All in favor.

8. **Reports: Committees of Council:**

- a) Celebrations – Spencer reported on July 3rd event; Baus reported no meetings for rest of summer.
- b) Finance & Administration- Spencer reported on UDAG, discussion on sending out anticipated tax bills.
- c) Fire- Nothing to report.
- d) Housing- Nothing to report.
- e) Licensing- Nothing to report.
- f) Police- Nothing to report.
- g) Public Works- Parry – demolition of plant almost complete; community center – getting quotes for kitchen and doors (everyone agreed to use Cyzner monies for Community Center); signs up on Johnson Blvd – need ordinance; speed bumps also being installed on Johnson; vacancy needs to be filled.

9. **Resolutions**

- R131** Authorizing Renewal of Plenary Retail Consumption Licenses
R132 Designating Handicapped Parking Spaces: Removing 223 S. Broadway
R133 Resolution to Adjustments to Various Tax Records
R134 Resolution to Correct Billing Charges on Utility Records
R135 Resolution Authorizing Senior and Veteran Deductions
R136 Resolution Authorizing Refund of Permit Fee
R137 Resolution Requesting Permission of the Director of Local Government Services to Anticipate Special Item of Revenue in the 2018 Budget of the City of Gloucester City Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) (for the Reconstruction of Champion Road)
R138 Resolution Requesting Permission of the Director of Local Government Services to Anticipate Special Item of Revenue in the 2018 Budget of the City of Gloucester City Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) (Fund Grant from the New Jersey Administrative Office of the Courts)
R139 Resolution Requesting Permission of the Director of Local Government Services to Anticipate Special Item of Revenue in the 2018 Budget of the City of Gloucester City Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) (Clean Communities Grant)

Motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson to approve. All in favor.

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

O10 Non Rep Salary Ordinance

Hutchinson reported Chief of Police should be included on this; will require separate ordinance.

There were no persons from the public wishing to speak. Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Parry to approve.

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

For 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:

- O11** Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Completion of Various Capital Improvements and the Acquisition of Various Capital Equipment for the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$1,052,000 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 \$999,400; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

Johnson asked for explanation-Spencer provided.

There were 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.

For 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:

O12 Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (*Payroll Clerk*)

There were 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.

For 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:

O13 Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Property (*37 S. Burlington St.*)

There were no persons from the public wishing to speak. Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Johnson to approve.

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

R140 Designating Salaries for Persons Serving in Non-Represented Titles

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Johnson to approve. All in favor with exception of Keating who abstained.

11. New Business:

a) Permanent Appointment of William Ackley as Chief Housing Inspector

Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve. All in favor.

b) Request for Handicap Parking Space – David Kalt, 332 Bergen Street

approved – placed resolution on next agenda.

12. Communications;

a) Chelsea Howell – request for Block party Park Ave. between Greenwood and Rosalind August 18, 2018
Everyone in agreement but Johnson abstained.

b) Speed Bump & Street Light request on Park Ave.-Johnson will look into it.

c) Request a change of location and station for Lourdes EMS from Robert Sposato- ok to remain at Gloucester Heights

d) Letter from Tina Goins of 465 S. Broadway (A Little Trim Hair Salon) – request for street light – Lipsett will reach out to her.

Spencer questioned Pine Grove bills –does not want to pay. Johnson asked to give Pine Grove time if we are going to stop paying. Lipsett will set up meeting

R141 To Enter Into Closed

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

Meeting went into closed at 8:03 pm

ATTEST:


KATHLEEN M. JENTSCH, CITY CLERK