

Caucus Meeting of the
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City
Thursday, February 21, 2019 7:00 P.M.
313 Monmouth Street
Minutes

1. **Call to Order:** by Mayor Spencer at 7:00pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
3. **Roll Call:** Berglund, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer. Baus was excused
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.
6. Jeff Dey – Organic Diversions, gave his monthly report.
7. **Minutes:** January 24, 2019 Regular Meeting and February 4, 2019 Work Session and Executive (with redactions) Motion by Keating, 2nd by Johnson to approve. All in favor.
8. **Reports: Committees of Council:**
 - a) Celebrations – Spencer – next meeting is 2/25/19. St. Patrick's Day parade and Little Mr. & Mrs. Contest are next.
 - b) Finance & Administration- Keating suggested hiring a QPA
 - c) Fire- Spencer met with Lourdes ambulance and said they are doing a great job. Also met with Pine Grove members and said they will no longer be a Fire Company, they will be a Civic Association.
 - d) Housing- Johnson – 227 Monmouth St. tree needs to be taken down. Vitale's was issued their permits but still needs some inspections.
 - e) Licensing- Parent – VFW Raffle License #4-2019
 - f) Police- Spencer – interviews are scheduled for this coming Monday to hire 2 Police Officers. Berglund stated the PD is doing a great job.
 - g) Public Works- Hutchinson – thermostat was fixed in the Community Center, estimate for the kitchen rehab for the Community Center were received, Spencer suggested including the bar area floor with those estimates, Millers Pond beaver/dam issue still ongoing, area parks are being filled with new rubber mulch from the grants received, Fooder is asking to use the empty yard on 5th/6th Street for storage. Lipsett stated he believes the yard is Green Acres.
9. **Licenses:**
 - a) VFW Raffle License 4-2019
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson
Roll Call: Berglund, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the Affirmative.
10. **Resolutions**
 - R041 Correcting Billing Charges on Utility Records
 - R042 Making Adjustment to Various Tax Records
 - R043 Resolution to Refund Payments on Various Utility Records
 - R044 Resolution Authorizing Assignment of Tax Title Liens (City Liens)
 - R045 Resolution Authorizing and Designating Official Signatures on Various Gloucester City Bank Accounts
 - R046 Resolution to Provide for Transfers of 2018 Reserved Budget Appropriations
 - R047 Resolution Adopting Emergency Temporary Budget Appropriations
Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve. All in favor.
11. **Ordinances**

for 2nd reading and public hearing this evening:

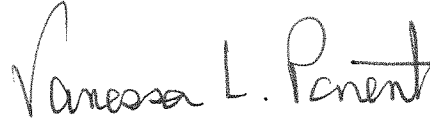
 - O01 Ordinance Amending Ordinance #18-2018 Authorizing Roadway and Parking Changes
Motion by Hutchinson, 2nd by Keating to approve.
Roll Call: Berglund, Hutchinson, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer voting in the affirmative.
 - O02 *for 2nd reading and public hearing this evening: (Note: was not advertised, will be on February 28th agenda.)*
Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank Pursuant to NJSA 40A:4-45.14
Motion by Hutchinson to table, 2nd by Keating to move. All in favor.

12. Old Business/New Business:

R048 Request for Coin Toss from Gloucester Girls Softball – May 9th.
Motion by Johnson, 2nd by Berglund to approve. All in favor.

R049 To enter Into Closed Session for Litigation and Contracts
Motion by Keating, 2nd by Hutchinson to enter into closed. All in favor. Meeting adjourned into closed at 7:39pm.

ATTEST:



VANESSA L. PARENT, ACTING CITY CLERK