

Work Session Meeting of the  
Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City  
Monday, February 4, 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:** Baus, Berglund, Johnson, Keating, Parry and Mayor Spencer being present. Hutchinson arrived at 7:23pm.
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.  
Mayor Spencer opened the floor for public comments.  
John Stewart – 323 Monmouth Street – Asked Mayor & Council where they stand on a Brewery in town. Howard Long said that it is being discussed with the PB at this time.
6. Jeff Dey – Organic Diversions. Jeff Dey was excused
7. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s):** January 17, 2019 Caucus and Executive (with redactions)  
Motion by Keating, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to approve. All in favor.
8. **Reports:**
  - I. **Engineer's Report** – Norm Rogers provided a monthly report. Johnson abstained from reports. Mayor Spencer said he wants Charles Street and Klemm Ave. flooding problems addressed.
  - II. **Committees of Council:**
    - a) Celebrations - Baus – spoke on events for 2019 and some changes have been made. Celebrations meetings will now join in with the 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration meetings. There will be no Gloucester Day and no Baby contest on July 4<sup>th</sup>. The Celebrations committee will be helping with Not your Mothers Music Festival. Committee wants to do a Scarecrow decorating contest in the fall. Mayor Spencer added the St. Patrick's Day parade will be March 3<sup>rd</sup>.
    - b) Finance & Administration – Keating – met with all department heads. AFS & ADS have been filed on time. Budget introduction was postponed. Finance committee attended Bowman & Company seminar.
    - c) Fire – Mark Campanell – Squad Company was out for 1 week, ladder truck is back from repairs.
    - d) Housing – Johnson – Committee meeting is next week. Ackley – 309 Nicholson Road will be cleared out from all machines and equipment. The owner found property out of town to store his equipment. There were 427 inspections for the month of January. Permit from Vitale's was received. Hoagie Heaven was sold. Mayor Spencer wants to address vacant housing problem.
    - e) Licensing- Nothing to report.
    - f) Police- Chief Morrell – Nothing to report.
    - g) Public Works – Tedesco – Traffic light at Broadway & Market was hit. Heater at Senior Center needs to be replaced. Damaged slide was removed from Proprietor's Park.  
Fooder – There was a change order on Burlington St. project. 222 Essex Street is contaminated. Water main break repairs were done at 1400 block of Thompson and Highland/Greenwood. Library has a small water leak that needs repair. Fooder will meet with PSE&G on Oriental & Holly Ave.

**9. Resolutions:**

- R033** Resolution of Appointment to the Gloucester City Housing Authority (*Charles Pacifico – 5 year term*)
- R034** Awarding a Contract to International Fireworks Manufacturing Co. for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services
- R035** Authorizing Permit for Public Fireworks Display
- R036** Resolution Authorizing Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding for Radio Equipment with the County of Camden for Public Safety Radio Communications System
- R037** Resolution Authorizing the Filing of a Grant Application by or on Behalf of the City of Gloucester City for the Property Located at 445 and 450 King Street and 449 North Broadway, Gloucester City, Camden County, New Jersey 08030, Formerly Known as the O.S. Johnson Site.
- R038** Authorizing All Plenary Retail Consumption License Establishments to Extend Hours of Operation Motion by Berglund, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hutchinson to approve. All in favor.

**11. Old Business/New Business**

- a)** Request for Coin Toss/Money Drop – from Townsend C. VFW for May 23 & 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-7pm
- R039** Resolution Approving Coin Toss for Townsend C. Young VFW Post #3620 Motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Baus to approve. All in Favor.
- b)** City Clerk/Registrar Kathy Jentsch retirement – February 28<sup>th</sup> last day. Need to appoint Acting City Clerk/Registrar on the 2/21/19 meeting. Will discuss at the next Finance meeting.

**12. Communications – Nothing to Report.**

- R040** To Enter Into Closed Session for discussion of collective bargaining, real estate, litigation and personnel matters. Motion by Hutchinson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Johnson to approve. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

ATTEST:

  
VANESSA L. PARENT, ASSISTANT CLERK