

**BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 26, 2009**

The Pre-Council Meeting, Work Session Portion of the Meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glassboro was called to order at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 in the Municipal Building with Mr. Brigandi, Jr., presiding.

OPENING STATEMENT

The Clerk read the following:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting as required by said Act, has been provided by adopting a schedule of regular meetings for the year 2009, which schedule was posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board, mailed to the Plain Dealer and the Gloucester County Times and filed with the Borough Clerk on January 3, 2009.

ROLL CALL

The following persons answered roll call:

Mayor:	Mayor McCabe
President of Council:	Anthony Fiola
Council Members:	Ingres Simpson
	Joseph D' Alessandro
	George Cossabone
	Edward Malandro
	Hector Cabezas
Administrator:	Joseph A. Brigandi, Jr.
Solicitor:	Timothy Scaffidi, Esq.

REVIEW BILL LIST

Council Members reviewed vouchers for payment, before signing their approval.

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS

The Agenda was reviewed, with no questions from the Governing Body.

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES

1. Performance Guarantee – Mr. Brunermer will send Clinton Suggs a letter to proceed.
2. Prohibiting parking during certain hours – Chief Fanfarillo will send the residents within 200 feet of Wright Avenue a notification.
3. Municipal Budget – Mr. Brigandi updated the Governing Body of the changes to the Budget.
4. 2009 – 2010 Liquor License Renewals were discussed.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Ms. Simpson, to adopt Resolution R: 167-09 Authorizing a Closed Executive Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glassboro, to discuss Lake Oberst-Pending Litigation, Personnel, Minatee Litigation Update, Bentley Woods Contractual/Litigation Issues and Rowan Blvd. Contractual Issues.

Motion carried

Upon no further discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to close the Closed Executive Meeting at 7:50 P.M. and proceed to the Regular Council Meeting.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of the Borough of Glassboro was called to order at 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, May 26, 2009 in the Municipal Building, with Mayor McCabe, presiding.

OPENING STATEMENT

The Clerk read the following:

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SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Mayor McCabe led the Salute to the Flag.

OPENING PRAYER

NONE

ROLL CALL

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	Edward Malandro
	Hector Cabezas
Administrator:	Joseph A. Brigandi, Jr.
Solicitor:	Timothy Scaffidi, Esq.
Engineer:	Mark Brunermer

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Mr. Scaffidi introduced the following Ordinances, **by title only, on Second Reading:**

ORDINANCE # 09 – 19

**CALENDAR YEAR 2009
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to open the meeting to the public.

Motion carried

Luis Perez, 113 Wright Avenue came forward. He asked why it is necessary to raise taxes. Mr. Fiola explained.

There being no further comments, a motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 09-19 as written.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE # 09 – 21

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 445, SECTION 57(A), PERMIT PARKING ONLY IN A
PORTION OF THE CHESTNUT RIDGE SECTION PURSUANT TO THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH
OF GLASSBORO (VEHICLES & TRAFFIC)**

A motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to open the meeting to the public.

Motion carried

There being no comments, a motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Mr. Cabezas, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 09-21 as written.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE # 09 – 22

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 357, SECTION 5(A) AND SECTION
6(A) OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
(PEDDLERS, SOLICITORS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS)**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Ms. Simpson, to open the meeting to the public.

Motion carried

There being no comments, a motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Ms. Simpson, to close the public hearing and adopt Ordinance 09-22 as written.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

2009 MUNICIPAL BUDGET (PUBLIC HEARING ONLY – NO ADOPTION)

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A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to open the meeting to the public.

Motion carried

Luis Perez, 113 Wright Avenue came forward. He inquired about the Borough's debt and made derogatory remarks about the Chief Financial Officer.

There being no further comments, a motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Cossabone, to close the public hearing on the 2009 Municipal Budget.

Motion carried

PROCLAMATIONS

NONE

READING OF THE MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. Malandro, that the reading of the Minutes be dispensed with and that the Regular Council Meetings Minutes of April 14, 2009 and April 28, 2009 as well as the Closed Executive Session Minutes of April 14, 2009 and April 28, 2009 be adopted as written.

Motion carried

Mr. Fiola and Ms. Simpson Abstained from the meeting of April 14, 2009.
Mr. D'Alessandro Abstained from the meeting April 28, 2009.

COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mr. Fiola stated he was in receipt of the Clerk's Monthly Revenue Report.

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Cossabone, to permit an employee to take unpaid leave.

Motion carried

Mr. Malandro stated he was in receipt of the Trash Tonnage Report thru April.

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. D'Alessandro, to allow the Clerk to go out for RFQ for Public Defender.

Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

ENGINEER'S REPORT

NONE

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Scaffidi introduced the following Resolutions, by title only:

RESOLUTION R: 163 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RATIFICATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT BETWEEN
THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO AND THE COMMUNICATION WORKERS OF AMERICA
(LOCAL 1085)**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Cabezas, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 163-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 167 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED MEETING OF THE MAYOR
AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO**

A motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Ms. Simpson, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 167-09.

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Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 168 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
(ALAIMO GROUP – COAH HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN)**

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. Malandro, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 168-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 169 - 09

**REFUND OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES
(BLOCK 33, LOT 26.02)**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 169-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 170 - 09

CANCELLATION OF TAXES DUE TO TDV GRANTED

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. Fiola, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 170-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 171 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF STREET OPENING
PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE
(BRYAN HAGEE & LAURA LANDBERG)**

A motion was made by Ms. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Malandro, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 171-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 172 - 09

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE GLASSBORO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ADVISORY BOARD OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. D'Alessandro, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 172-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 173 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
(SICKELS & ASSOCIATES, INC. – HYDRO MODELING SYSTEM)**

RESOLUTION R: 174 - 09

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
(SICKELS & ASSOCIATES, INC. – ROUTE 322 EMERGENCY SEWER REPAIR)**

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Ms. Simpson, for the adoption of the foregoing two Resolutions R: 173-09 and R: 174-09.

Motion carried

RESOLUTION R: 175 - 09

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**RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF BLOCK 358, LOT 1 AND
BLOCK 357, LOT 1 TO BE RE-SUBDIVIDED BY THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
PURSUANT TO A REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT
(HSDRF PROGRAM INTEREST #28509)**

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. D'Alessandro, for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution R: 175-09.

Motion carried

Mr. Scaffidi introduced the following Ordinances, by title only, on first reading:

ORDINANCE 09 – 23

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO, COUNTY OF
GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING NEW STREET NAMES
(FIELD PLACE AND BULLDOG WAY)**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Cossabone, to approve the foregoing Ordinance 09-23.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE 09-24

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 388 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO
(SEX OFFENDERS)**

A motion was made by Ms. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to approve the foregoing Ordinance 09-24.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE 09-25

**AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES AND COMPENSATION OF THE
OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO, IN THE COUNTY OF
GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY 2009**

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to approve the foregoing Ordinance 09-25.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE 09-26

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE GLASSBORO CENTRAL
BUSINESS DISTRICT AND NEARBY ENVIRONS REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

ORDINANCE 09-27

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FIFTH AMENDMENT TO THE GLASSBORO CENTRAL
BUSINESS DISTRICT AND NEARBY ENVIRONS REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

ORDINANCE 09-28

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SIXTH AMENDMENT TO THE GLASSBORO CENTRAL
BUSINESS DISTRICT AND NEARBY ENVIRONS REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

A motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Mr. Cabezas, to approve the foregoing three Ordinances 09-26, 09-27 and 09-28.

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ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

ORDINANCE 09-29

BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO, IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR UTILITY SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, INSTALLATION OF WATER LINES, SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENTS, ROUTE 322 WATER & SEWER LINE REPLACEMENTS, METERS, PURCHASE OF A DUMP TRUCK, SMALL DUMP TRUCK, POLE BARN / GARAGE / FACILITIES, UTILITY TRUCK, REHABILITATION/ WELLS 3 & 4 AND WELLS 8 & 9, REPLACE FORD BACKHOE, GIS MAPPING, AND CNG INITIATIVE APPROPRIATING \$1,330,000.00 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF GLASSBORO FOR FINANCING SUCH APPROPRIATION

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to approve the foregoing Ordinance 09-29.

ROLL CALL

For: Fiola, Simpson, D'Alessandro, Cossabone, Malandro, Cabezas
Against: NONE

Motion carried

COMMENTS BY BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR

NONE

COMMENTS BY MAYOR

NONE

PUBLIC PORTION

Regulations of Participation at Borough Council Meetings

1. The Chair must recognize a speaker.
2. The person must state his or her name, and address of residence for the record.
3. All persons recognized by the Chair must engage in respectful and orderly discourse. In the event of disrespectful, vulgar or inflammatory discourse, the Chair may exercise discretion and terminate the person's right to speak.
4. All statements to the Borough Council or the Administration must be addressed through the Chair.
5. Members of the public shall be given up to five minutes to address the governing body regardless of the number of issues during the Public Portion of the meeting and shall not be entitled to "borrow" time from others. At the discretion of the Chair and subject to the consent by the majority of the Council at a given meeting, this time allocation may be relaxed and extended which relaxation or suspension shall not constitute a binding precedent for other speakers on other issues. The limitations imposed herein relate solely to the Public Portion of the meeting and are not intended to apply to the Regular Business Meeting.

Mr. Scaffidi announced to those in attendance that the above noted Rules of Order, which are posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board, apply to this portion of the Public Meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Malandro, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to open the meeting to the public.

Motion carried

Clinton Suggs, 223 2nd Avenue, came forward. He submitted a letter to the Governing Body, which he also read concerning the following:

I have submitted the quote to Mayor and Council concerning 2nd Avenue basin as per the May 12, 2009 meeting. I also received a letter from Mark Brunermer in reference to the same meeting along with a quote from Russ Clark of the Glassboro Highway Department.

The quote from Russ Clark to say the least was ridiculous. I will be coordinating with my own contractor to have said work completed as per plans. Although we strongly believe that the work is unnecessary and unwarranted for the sake of peace it will be done.

I must also add that this whole experience with dealing with Borough Council and Sickels is most revealing. This reveals to us and other residents of Glassboro how Mayor and Council aren't as concerned or sympathetic to legitimate problems of taxpaying residents as they could be.

This experience with the Borough Council and Sickels has turned the American dream of building your own home into heartaches and unnecessary burdens. I pray that residents who want to build a single family home in this township do not have to deal with the problems I have endured. I pray that this is the end of the matter and you the Borough Council examine your hearts and consider the great personal expense we have endured.

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This project has done nothing but benefited the Borough by increasing the value of surrounding properties. If we as residents of this township can't get help from our elected Mayor and Council where do we go?

Sincerely,
Clinton Suggs

A motion was made by Mr. Cossabone, seconded by Mr. Fiola, to allow Mr. Suggs to use his contractor to complete the basin issue.

Motion carried

Chris Schulte, 71 Pintail Drive, came forward. He stated his concerns about tax burdens.

Luis Perez, 113 Wright Avenue, came forward. He stated his concerns with Bids for the Ice House, how much was borrowed for Rowan Blvd. and Administrator Updates on the Agenda.

There being no further comments, a motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to close the Public Portion.

Motion carried

APPROVAL OF BILLS

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Malandro, to pay all duly authorized bills.

Motion carried

(See attached pages 1- 8, dated 05/26/2009)

CLOSING COMMENTS

Mayor McCabe stated he is offended by the derogatory remarks made about the CFO.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Fiola, seconded by Mr. Cossabone, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Motion carried

The next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 23, 2009 at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Patricia A. Frontino
Borough Clerk**

SINCE THESE MINUTES ARE NOT TO BE A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT, THIS HAS BEEN A CONDENSED TRANSCRIPT OF THE MEETING. THE TAPE IS AVAILABLE DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS FOR ANY INTERESTED PERSONS.