

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
AUGUST 9 2017**

**Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence for Horace Earle Bonsall, Ralph Vizoco, and Jonah Green**

**Mayor Campbell announced the Opening Statement** “All the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Act have been complied with in full.”

**ROLL CALL:**

Present:

Councilman Gerald Bonsall  
Councilman Mitch Brown  
Councilman Jack Flynn  
Councilman Michael MacFerren

Absent:

Councilman John Croghan  
Councilman Fred Deterding

Professionals: John P. Jehl, Borough Solicitor

Gregory Fusco, Borough Engineer

**VOUCHERS:**

Motion to dispense reading and approve vouchers in the amount of **\$1,309,104.45**  
Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Flynn

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Absent	Councilman Deterding	Absent
	Councilman Flynn	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye

**ORDINANCES:**

**FIRST READING:** None

**SECOND READING:** None

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENT ON PENDING RESOLUTIONS**

No comment from the public.

**CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

2017-8-104 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 3-YEAR COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN

**WHEREAS**, the ***Borough of Gibbsboro*** and the County of Camden wish to establish a cooperative means of conducting certain eligible community development and affordable housing activities; and

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**WHEREAS**, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4 et seq.) permits local units such as counties and municipalities to enter into agreements for the provision of joint services; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983, the HOME Program Act of 1991, and the Emergency Solutions Grant, as amended, provides federal funds being made available to Camden County for use to carry out eligible Community Development Activities therein; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Borough of Gibbsboro* will propose certain activities to be carried out under the 39th, 40th and 41st year Community Development, HOME Programs and Emergency Solutions Grant programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the aforesaid activities are in the best interest of the *Borough of Gibbsboro* and the County of Camden;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the *GOVERNING BODY* of the *Borough of Gibbsboro* that the 37th, 38th and 39th Year Cooperation Agreement be adopted;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its enactment.

2017-8-105 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADJUSTMENT OF 2017 PROPERTY TAX FOR A DISABLED VETERAN EXEMPTION FOR BLOCK 42, LOT 3, AKA 132 BERLIN ROAD IN THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBO

**WHEREAS**, NJSA 54:4-3.30a provides that certain disabled veterans are entitled to a total tax exemption; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2017, Cornelius Walker III, the owner of the property known as block 42 lot 3, 132 Berlin Road was granted a 100% disabled veteran property tax exemption by the Municipal Assessor from April 20, 2017 through December 31, 2017; and forward; and

**WHEREAS**, the property is listed on the 2017 tax duplicate without an exempt property class; and an assessment of \$160,000; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Assessor is not able to adjust the tax assessment or property class after January 10th of the year assessed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Camden County Board of Taxation is not able to adjust the assessed value or property class of the property after January 10th of the year assessed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Tax Collector requests cancellation of 2017 tax billing of \$5,621.11, for the period of April 20, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel tax billing on Block 42 Lot 3 in the amount of \$5,621.11 per R.S. 54:4-3.30a

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution is forwarded to the Tax Assessor, Chief Financial Officer, Tax Collector and Camden County Board of Taxation to advise them of the action taken by the Borough Council on this matter.

2017-8-106 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF 2017 TAX OVERPAYMENT FOR BLOCK 42, LOT 3. AKA 132 BERLIN ROAD IN THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO

WHEREAS, American Home Title Company paid the 2017 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter taxes at the time of settlement for the prior owner and the new owner of the property of 132 Berlin Road also known as Block 42 Lot 3; and

WHEREAS, Cornelius Walker III, the new owner, has been granted a 100% Totally Disabled Veteran Exemption effective April 20, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the amount of property taxes to be cancelled on Block 42 Lot 3 for the tax year 2017 is \$5,621.11; and

WHEREAS, this creates an overpayment in the amount of \$1,552.31 that was paid by the Title Company, known as American Home Title, on behalf of the prior owner and current owner; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Tax Collector requests refunding the amount of \$1,552.31 to American Home Title Company for the property at 132 Berlin Road, Gibbsboro, NJ 08026; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, in the County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund the amount of \$1,552.31 to American Home Title, 2 Eves Drive, Suite 105, Marlton, NJ 08053.

2017-8-107 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY EXEMPTING CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Property was purchased by the Borough of Gibbsboro for Project Freedom; and

WHEREAS, said deeds were not recorded by the Borough until January 2017 after the duplicate was closed; and

WHEREAS, the prior owners are not responsible for the taxes since these properties are exempt.

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WHEREAS, the exempt properties are as follows:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUE</u>	<u>EXEMPT</u>
8.03	6.02	51 S. Lakeview Dr.	\$118,200	\$ 5,979.74
8.03	6.03	47 S. Lakeview Dr.	\$324,000	\$16,391.16

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council at the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Tax Collector to cancel the taxes because these properties are exempt.
2. That a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Borough Tax Collector, Borough Auditor, and Tax Assessor.

2017-8-108 RESOLUTION ADDING AND DELETING AUTHORIZED SIGNERS ON INVESTOR'S BANK ACCOUNTS

WHEREAS, The Borough of Gibbsboro has had accounts with Investor's Bank since 2016; and

WHEREAS, Employees as authorized signers for the Investor's Bank accounts have resigned or hired since 2016; and

WHEREAS, the following employees are to be deleted or added to the accounts.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NAME</u>	<u>ADD</u>	<u>TITLE</u>	<u>DELETE</u>
100129574	Tax Collector	Albert Stanley	CFO	Maria S. Carrington
100129588	Tax Redemption	Albert Stanley	CFO	Maria S. Carrington
100129593	Construction	Albert Stanley	CFO	Maria S. Carrington
100129512	Fire Safety	Albert Stanley	CFO	Carrington/D. Jackson
100129526	Life Hazard	Albert Stanley	CFO	Carrington/D. Jackson
1000129499	Clearing	Albert Stanley	CFO	Carrington/D. Jackson
1000129480	Clerk	Albert Stanley	CFO	Maria S. Carrington
1000129461	Municipal Court	-		Maria S. Carrington
1000129475	Municipal Court Bail	-		Maria S. Carrington
1000129456	Current	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129507	Dog Trust	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129531	General Capital	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129545	Payroll	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129550	Sewer Capital	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129611	Trust Other	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129569	Sewer Operating	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129630	Public Assistance	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson
1000129625	Affordable Housing	AStanley/P. Capasso		Carrington/D/Jackson

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Municipal Open Space Stanley/P. Capasso

Carrington/D.Jackson

2017-8-109 RESOLUTION APPROVING ON PREMISE RAFFLE LICENSE RL 2017-22 TO THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 371

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that a raffle application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by American Legion Post 371 to hold a raffle on 11/11/17; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that License RL2017-22 is hereby granted to American Legion Post 371; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license is to support families, community and youth.

2017-8-110 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT (BID A-25/2016 2<sup>ND</sup> YEAR OPTION) FOR DEER CARCASS REMOVAL SERVICES UNDER THE CAMDEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, bids were received by Camden County for the project known as Bid A-25/2016, Camden County Cooperative Pricing System and Deer Carcass Removal Services for the removal of deer carcass on 7/15/16 with an second and third year options to renew, the receipt of which bids were duly advertised in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Chosen Freeholders desires to exercise the second year option of Bid A-25/2016 to the lowest responsible bidder, Deer Carcass Removal Services; and

WHEREAS, this project was bid under Camden County Cooperative pricing with Camden County listed as Lead Agency; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that said contract is from 8/1/17 to 7/31/18.

2017-8-111 RESOLUTION APPROVING ON PREMISE RAFFLE LICENSE RL 2017-23 TO THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 371

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that a raffle application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by American Legion Post 371 to hold a raffle on 9/23/17; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that License RL2017-23 is hereby granted to American Legion Post 371; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license is to support families, community and youth.

2017-8-112 RESOLUTION APPROVING BINGO LICENSE BA2017-24 AND ON PREMISE RAFFLE LICENSES RL 2017-25, 2017-26, TO THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 371

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BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that a raffle application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by American Legion Post 371 to hold BINGO AND RAFFLES on 11/3/17; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that License ba2017-24 AND RL2017-25 AND 2017-26 ARE hereby granted to American Legion Post 371; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license is to support families, community and youth.

2017-8-113 RESOLUTION APPROVING ON PREMISE RAFFLE LICENSE RL 2017-27 TO THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 371

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that a raffle application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by American Legion Post 371 to hold a RAFFLE on 12/9/17; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that License BA2017-27 is hereby granted to American Legion Post 371; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license is to support families, community and youth.

2018-8-114 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH ENGINEER TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE BIDS TO CONSTRUCT PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS AT POLE HILL PARK IN THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO, CAMDEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Gibbsboro desires to construct parking lot improvements at Pole Hill Park in the Borough of Gibbsboro and;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Borough Engineer is authorized to advertise and receive bids for parking lot improvements at Pole Hill Park.

Motion to approve Resolutions Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Absent	Councilman Deterding	Absent
	Councilman Flynn	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye

**MINUTES:**

Motion to dispense reading and approve minutes of 7/12/17 Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Absent	Councilman Deterding	Absent
	Councilman Flynn	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye

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**REPORT OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:**

Borough Clerk	<u>  x  </u>	Police Department	<u>  x  </u>
Construction Official	<u>  x  </u>	Sewer Clerk	<u>  x  </u>
Tax Collector	<u>  x  </u>	Court Clerk	<u>  x  </u>
Treasurer	<u>  x  </u>	Engineer	<u>  x  </u>
Compliance/Zoning Officer	<u>  x  </u>	Fire Official	<u>  x  </u>
Risk Manager	<u>  x  </u>		

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**PLANNING BOARD/PUBLIC WORKS**

**COUNCILMAN BONSALL**

Councilman Bonsall reported that public works is going well, Planning Board held a discussion on the reexamination report for the Master Plan. Square Circle is not zoned the way it should be and may be revised.

**PUBLIC EVENTS**

**COUNCILMAN BROWN**

Councilman Brown reported that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July was very successful. The next event will be Halloween on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**POLICE/LIBRARY**

**COUNCILMAN CROGHAN**

Councilman Bonsall reported that everything is going well with the police department and they are busy with all the road construction. Vehicles are in good shape and no complainsts.

**TRASH & RECYCLING/HEALTH**

**COUNCILMAN DETERDING**

Councilman Deterding was absent.

**RECREATION/L&I**

**COUNCILMAN MACFERREN**

Councilman MacFerren reported that the picnic tables and benches look great throughout the town.

**INSURANCE/ENVIRONMENTAL**

**COUNCILMAN FLYNN**

Councilman Flynn reported that there were no insurance claims for July. The Environmental Commission is tracking the grant that is in the Attorney General’s office. They are trying to develop “Friends of Blueberry Hill” organization. They will take care of the trails. The Community Garden will host a garden tour on Sunday. There are four community gardens that will be visited from Williamstown, Hammonton, Gibbsboro and Woodbury. On 9/14/17 there will be an educational program for seed savers held by an outside organization. On 9/16/17 there will be a harvest barbeque at the senior center. Tickets are \$6.00.

Mayor Campbell commented that if the Environmental Commission has any interest, an area that needs some help is the Lucas House in cleaning the grounds and planting. To set off the house, outside lights are being considered.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

**MAYOR CAMPBELL**

Mayor Campbell reported that the next Superfund disclosure meeting will be Wednesday,

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8/10/17 at 7:00 p.m. at the senior center regarding the U.S. Avenue "burn site". The EPA is still leaving a lot of dirt at depth and a lot of contaminated soil under U.S. Avenue. They will clean the burn site and the railroad corridor. It will end at Bridgewood Lake. It will be cleaned to residential standards. Solicitor Jehl has notified Tri-Boro that the Borough intends to take up the option to obtain the burn site. Councilman Deterding, Anne Levy and the Mayor met with Gold Medal last night to deliver the Borough's displeasure with the trash pick ups. The service has been horrible since the beginning of July in which a lot of properties have been missed. The gentleman they met with is Joe Raymond and he was very recently hired from Waste Management. He is to fix the problems. A lot of the drivers were no longer able to work with them because their insurance company wouldn't insure them.

Motion to put written reports on file for one year Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Bonsall

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Absent	Councilman Deterding	Absent
	Councilman Flynn	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**INFORMATIONAL:**

- Next regular Council meeting is 9/13/17

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Michael Kelly, Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Kelly commented that the JIF is hosting a Active Shooter seminar and all are invited to attend.

**CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:25 P.M. COUNCILMAN BONSALL, SECOND COUNCILMAN BROWN**

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Absent	Councilman Deterding	Absent
	Councilman Flynn	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye

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Anne D. Levy, RMC  
Borough Clerk

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Edward G. Campbell, III  
Mayor

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