

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
DECEMBER 13, 2017**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence for Councilman Jack Croghan, Ed Gregory**

**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 Fred Deterding  
Councilman Jack Flynn  
Councilman Michael MacFerren

Absent:  
None

Professionals: John P. Jehl, Borough Solicitor  
Gregory Fusco, Borough Engineer

**VOUCHERS:**

Motion to dispense reading and approve vouchers in the amount of **\$271,127.54**  
Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Flynn

Vote: J. B. Aye      M.B. Aye      F.D. Aye      J.F. Aye      M.M. Aye

**ORDINANCES:**

**FIRST READING:** None

**SECOND READING:**

2017-12      A BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO APPROPRIATING \$150,000 FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE JOHN LUCAS HOMESTEAD PHASE 3 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$92,500 AND \$7,500 DOWN PAYMENT AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE CAMDEN COUNTY RECREATION, OPEN SPACE AND HISTORIC TRUST FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO, IN THE COUNTY OF CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION I**

\$50,000 through a grant from the Camden County Recreation, Open Space and Historic Trust Fund for the restoration of the John Lucas Homestead within the Borough of Gibbsboro and the

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preliminary engineering studies, design, inspection and associated costs for the Borough of Gibbsboro, in the County Camden, New Jersey.

## **SECTION II**

The capital budget of the Borough of Gibbsboro conforms to the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Service is on file with the Clerk and is available for the public inspection.

For the financing of said improvements or purposes and to meet said \$150,000 appropriation not provided by application hereunder of said down payment of \$7,500 and the acceptance of aid in the amount of \$50,000, negotiable bonds or notes are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$47,500 pursuant to the Local Bond Law of New Jersey. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds, and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes in a principal amount equal to said principal amount of bonds are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by said law.

## **SECTION III**

- (A) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued is the restoration of the John Lucas Homestead and the preliminary engineering studies, design and inspection of the restoration.
- (B) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said purposes is as stated in Section II.
- (C) The estimated cost of said purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said down payment for said purposes.

## **SECTION IV**

The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

- (A) The said purposes described in Section III of this Bond Ordinance are not current expenses and are properties or improvements which the Borough may lawfully acquire or make as a general improvement, and no part of the cost hereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (B) The period of usefulness of said purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this Bond Ordinance is fifteen years (15).
- (C) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by said Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in said Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided for in this Bond Ordinance and said obligation authorized will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.
- (D) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$10,000 for the items of expense listed in and permitted under Section 40A:2-20 of said Law may be included as part of the cost of said improvement and is included in the foregoing estimate thereof.

## **SECTION V**

The Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro is hereby authorized to apply and receive funding under a grant from the Camden County Recreation, Open Space and Historic Trust Fund.

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Any funds obtained thereunder may be applied to the \$100,000 appropriation provided for in Section I hereof.

#### **SECTION VI**

The full faith and credit of Gibbsboro Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal and interest on the said obligations authorized by this Bond Ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all of the taxable property within the Borough for payment of said obligations and interest thereon without limitations of rate or amount.

#### **SECTION VII**

The Capital Budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistencies therewith and Resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended Capital Budget and Capital Program as provided by the Division of Local Government Services, as on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

#### **SECTION VIII**

The Borough reasonably expects to reimburse itself from proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Ordinance for capital expenditures with respect to the projects initially paid for from current or other available funds of the Borough. This constitutes a declaration of "official intent" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations 1.103-18. The Borough hereby certifies that this declaration is reasonable on the date hereof in that:

- (A) It is consistent with the budgetary and financial circumstances of the Borough,
- (B) No funds (other than the proceeds of the obligations authorized by this Ordinance) are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long term basis, or otherwise set aside by the Borough pursuant to its budget and financial policies with respect to the capital expenditures to be reimbursed, and
- (C) The Borough does not have a pattern of failing to reimburse itself for capital expenditures actually paid and for which an official intent was declared, other than due to unforeseeable extraordinary circumstances beyond the Borough's control. The Borough acknowledges that in order to reimburse itself for capital expenditures incurred with respect to the projects, the obligations authorized by this Ordinance must be initially issued not later than one year after the later of the date the relevant capital expenditure is initially paid or the date the relevant capital improvement is placed into service.

#### **SECTION IX**

This Bond Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided by said Local Bond Law.

Meeting Open to the Public. No comment from the public. Meeting Closed to the Public.

Motion to approve ordinance Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Poll: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

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

No comment from the public.

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**CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

2017-12-136 A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Gibbsboro wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$30,000 with a match of \$42,000 for an approximate project total cost of \$72,000 for a project under the State of New Jersey SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES 18-0413 Grant Program for period 12/1/17 through 11/30/18; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request; and

**WHEREAS**, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and Borough of Gibbsboro for the purpose described in the application;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council that

1. As a matter of public policy Borough of Gibbsboro wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the applications for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

2017-12-137 RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOHN P. QUEEN, III AS A REGULAR POLICE OFFICER TO THE GIBBSBORO POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A ONE YEAR PROBATIONARY PERIOD

BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1) THAT JOHN QUEEN is hereby appointed as a Regular Police Officer to the Gibbsboro Police Department at the probationary rate of \$14.56/hour.
- 2) THAT the appointment carries a probationary period of one year, during which the appointee is not considered a permanent employee as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:14-147.
- 3) THAT this appointment is further conditioned upon the satisfactory completion of a background investigation by the Chief of Police, physical examination, psychological evaluation (if deemed necessary), completion of agency training, successful firearms qualification on the department's

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weapons, satisfactory completion of K-55 radar training and any other training deemed necessary by the Chief of Police to function as a Gibbsboro Police Officer.

4) THAT the failure of the appointee to comply with any of the conditions of appointment or if at any time during the probationary period the conduct or capacity of the appointee has not been satisfactory, the appointee may be terminated by Resolution of the Governing Body without trial. The appointee shall be served with a copy of such Resolution terminating the services of the appointee.

2017-12-138 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH ENGINEER'S DESIGN AND AUTHORIZING THE CONSTRUCTION PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS AND SENIOR CENTER IMPROVEMENTS AT POLE HILL PARK IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WORK FORCE INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH VOORHEES TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, the Borough of Gibbsboro desires to construct parking lot improvements and Senior Center Improvemets 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 accepts the Borough Engineer's design and authorizes the construction of the parking lot and senior center improvements at Pole Hill Park in accordance with the work force inter-municipal agreement with Voorhees Township.

2017-12-139 RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FINAL ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO EAST CLEMENTON ROAD

**WHEREAS**, it was necessary to make changes in the scope of work to be done in completing the Roadway Improvements to East Clementon Road from County Route No. 561 to Old Egg Harbor Road (Municipal Boundary) (Partially funded through the N.J.D.O.T. Municipal Aid Program, FY2016) in the Borough of Gibbsboro, County, County of Camden, State of New Jersey.

**WHEREAS**, Change Order No. 2-Final was developed to itemize and authorize those changes.

**WHEREAS**, certification has been received by the Borough Treasurer/Finance Director that sufficient funds have been allocated for this Change Order;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Gibbsboro that Change Order No. 2-Final is hereby authorized to revise the Contract amount from \$294,097.76 to \$232,643.25.

2017-12-140 RESOLUTION APPROVING ON PREMISE CALENDAR RAFFLE LICENSE RL 2017-36 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 calendar raffle application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by American Legion Post 371 to hold a raffle on March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; April 7, 14, 21, 28; and May

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5, 12, 19, 26, 31, 2018; 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.

2017-12-141 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN TRANSFERS WITHIN THE 2017 BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the following transfers be authorized within the 2017 Budget:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMT.</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>AMT.</u>
7-01-20-120-099	Mun Clerk OE	\$12,000	7-01-36-472-020	Social Security	\$12,000

Motion to approve Resolutions Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Flynn

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

**MINUTES:**

Motion to dispense reading and approve minutes of 1/4/17, 1/23/17, 11/8/17 Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Bonsall

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

**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/POLICE

COUNCILMAN BONSAALL

Councilman Bonsall reported there was no planning board meeting for December. Public Works worked on the recent storm. Councilman Bonsall thanked the police chief and the fire company for the tree lighting. Everything went good. The police and fire company did a good job for Councilman Croghan’s funeral services.

PUBLIC EVENTS

COUNCILMAN BROWN

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Councilman Brown reported that the tree lighting went very well and thanked everyone for their help.

**TRASH & RECYCLING/HEALTH**

**COUNCILMAN DETERDING**

Councilman Deterding reported that 86 tons of trash and 24 tons of recycling were collected for November.

**RECREATION/L&I**

**COUNCILMAN MACFERREN**

Councilman MacFerren had nothing to report. Positive feedback has been received from the residents on the picnic tables and benches. A bench was also placed in Wynnewood behind the retention basin.

**INSURANCE/ENVIRONMENTAL**

**COUNCILMAN FLYNN**

Councilman Flynn reported no insurance claims for November. The Environmental Commission's grant application is moving through the State. Regarding the community garden there is an issue with the FAA regarding the fence.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MAYOR CAMPBELL**

Mayor Campbell reported that the Town Crier will go out mid-January. The grease blockage that occurred near the Wawa was reported by Engineer Fusco and the damages for the repairs was \$5,884.50. If the repair fees are paid to the Borough, a citation will not be issued. Councilman Bonsall, Mayor Campbell, Engineer Fusco and Planner Slauch met to discuss Brandywine's concept around the Micro Warehouse former building. There is a pond which is high on the land and it would demean the townhouses to be built. It was a good brain storming session and how to better locate the water management. The wall at the Shell station was hit and at the CVS part of the wall was destroyed. Initial repairs were done to both sites. Both have been notified that additional work must be done. The DEP will be doing wetlands walk through.

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

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

TO: Chief Tomaszewski dated 12/3/17 Received 12/11/17  
FROM: Officer Andrew J. McAlpin  
RE: Resignation  
ACTION: Motion by Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Flynn to accept resignation.

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

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1. USE OF GIBBSBORO MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

Applicant: Gibbsboro Community Garden  
FACILITY: Senior Center  
Date of Event: 1/12/18  
Fee & Bond Paid: Requests Waiver

Motion to approve use of the Municipal Facilities Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Brown

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

2. USE OF GIBBSBORO MUNICIPAL FACILITIES

Applicant: Gibbsboro Fire Company  
FACILITY: Senior Center  
Date of Event: Saturday, 1/13/18  
Fee & Bond Paid: Requests Waiver

Motion to approve use of the Municipal Facilities Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Brown

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

3. MAYORAL APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL R. FLAHERTY TO THE GIBBSBORO FIRE COMPANY

Motion to ratify Mayor's appointment Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

4. S&P GLOBAL RATINGS – 2 YEAR DEBT REVIEW

Mayor Campbell commented that every two years S&P reviews the Borough's debt that is in the marketplace. The auditor and Mayor held a conference call with S&P and S&P reaffirmed our AA+ rating, the highest in Camden County.

5. ROUTE 561 BIKEWAY EASEMENTS

Mayor Campbell commented that he would like to receive authorization to hire an appraiser and make offers to purchase easements along the Wawa area.

Motion to authorize the submission of appraisals Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Flynn



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Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

6. CRICKET FIELD GROVE AREA TREES

Mayor Campbell commented that the trees in the grove area are dying because people are parking in the grove.

Motion to authorize KEI Engineer to build a berm that cannot be driven over along Lucas Boulevard – Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Flynn

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

7. PRO-TURF

Mayor Campbell commented that Pro-Turf is up to about half million dollars in fines. They filed to apply to the planning board. The application was declared incomplete. They have hired attorney Jeff Brennan. Mr. Brennan came to the planning Board and an agreement was worked out giving Mr. Hulme until March to meet with the site plan review committee by the end of the year to discuss council's and the planning board's expectations for the revised application. They have encroached on all the adjoining property owners by taking down trees, etc. They must remove all encroachments. Have the application declared complete and approved by the April planning board meeting and stop doing any work on Route 561 until they receive approval.

**INFORMATIONAL:**

1. Reorganization Meeting is January 3, 2018

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Anthony Castiglioni, 11 McKee Road. Mr. Castiglioni asked what will be built on the lot next to the Lucas House.

Ann Braddock, 72 Haddon Avenue. Mrs. Braddock asked about the Lucas House.

**CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:46 P.M. COUNCILMAN BONSALL, SECOND COUNCILMAN BROWN**

Vote: J. B. Aye M.B. Aye F.D. Aye J.F. Aye M.M. Aye

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Anne D. Levy, RMC  
Borough Clerk

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Edward G. Campbell, III  
Mayor

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