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**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
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Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence for Denise DeBergh Geckle, Yolanda (Yo) DiRocco, Bob Hudson, Floyd Henry Chew, Almira Stewart, Margaret Crain, Helen Hofstrom, Leslie Ryan

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 John Croghan
Councilman Michael MacFerren
Councilwoman Anita Mancini

Absent:

Councilwoman Margie Schieber

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

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:

Introduction of police candidate Andrew D. Myers
Chief Joe Mingori and Officer Donald Fisher were also present.

Mayor Campbell appoints Andrew D. Myers to the Gibbsboro Police Department.

Motion to ratify Mayor’s appointment of Andrew D. Myers as a Regular full time police officer to the Gibbsboro Police Department at the police contract rate with a one year probation period Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Croghan

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

2010-2-46 RESOLUTION APPOINTING ANDREW D. MYERS AS A REGULAR FULL TIME 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 DAVID D. MYERS is hereby appointed as a Regular Full Time Police Officer to the Gibbsboro Police Department at the rate of \$13.00/hour.

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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 conditioned upon verification of the appointee's qualifications to serve as a regular police officer by the Police Training Commission. The Officer in Charge within 90 days of appointment shall obtain such certification, or an unconditional waiver of training, and the failure of the Police Training Commission to verify the appointee's qualifications to serve in this capacity will be cause for the Borough Council to terminate the appointee's employment.

4) THAT this appointment is further conditioned upon the satisfactory completion of a background investigation by the Officer in Charge, physical examination, psychological evaluation (if deemed necessary), completion of agency training, successful firearms qualification on the department's weapons, satisfactory completion of K-55 radar training and any other training deemed necessary by the Officer in Charge to function as a Gibbsboro Police Officer.

5) THAT the failure of the appointee to comply with any of the conditions of appointment shall be cause for the Borough Council to terminate the appointee's employment.

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

Anne D. Levy, RMC
Borough Clerk

Motion to approve Resolution Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Brown

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

OFFICER MYERS IS SWORN IN BY MAYOR CAMPBELL

VOUCHERS:

EMERGENCIES DUE TO SNOW STORMS

A) REPAIRS TO PUBLIC WORKS PLOW

Quotes received from:

Hale Trailer	\$1,769.88
H.A. DeHart	2,016.36
Cherry Valley Tractor	2,337.81

B) SNOW PLOWING

Emergency contract was awarded to DiMeglio Construction for the two storms of 2/5/10 and 2/9/10 to assist with plowing.

Motion to award emergency purchases to Hale Trailer in the amount of \$1,769.88, and to

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DiMeglio Construction in the amount of \$13,050, charged to Public Works OE, contingent upon certification of availability of funds from the CFO Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Brown.

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

Motion to dispense reading and approve vouchers in the amount of **\$456,678.00**
Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING:

2010-01 A BOND ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS ROADWAYS, SIDEWALKS, CURBING AND BIKEWAYS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO BY THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND APPROPRIATING \$240,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,000 AND THE PAYMENT OF \$3,000 DOWN PAYMENT FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND THE ACCEPTANCE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MUNICIPAL AID \$180,000

Motion to approve Ordinance Councilman Brown, Second Councilman Bonsall

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

SECOND READING: None

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENT ON PENDING RESOLUTIONS

No voice from the public.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

RESOLUTIONS:

2010-2-41 RESOLUTION OPPOSING S-458 TO CONSOLIDATE THE MUNICIPAL

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TAX ASSESSOR AND TAX COLLECTOR AT THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-458 calls for a referendum to consolidate the municipal tax assessor and municipal tax collector at the county, and;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S-458 does not give the municipality any option if the county voters cast a majority to consolidate, and;

WHEREAS, consolidation would cause unnecessary hardship on citizens who rely on the municipal tax office for information and assistance, particularly the community's senior citizens who depend on tax offices for assistance in completing tax freeze and rebate forms. Without proper study there is no proof that consolidation will save any public money, and;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S458 calls for a master plan for the consolidation of the tax assessment and tax collection functions after enactment of the proposal thus failing to provide voters with a factual basis on which to make a decision on the referendum, and;

WHEREAS, current state statutes place responsibility for tax assessment and tax collection under municipal jurisdiction, and;

WHEREAS, it is the municipalities responsibility to collect all property taxes due and distribute same to other taxing authorities, as well as enforcing laws on delinquents, and;

WHEREAS, current statute provides for the reserve for uncollected taxes to be included in the municipal budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be sent to Senate President Stephen Sweeney, Senator Jeffrey Van Drew, Chairman of the Community & Urban Affairs Committee and Senator James Beach representing this district as a sign of our opposition to this proposal.

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

Anne D. Levy, RMC
Borough Clerk

2010-2-42 RESOLUTION TO ADOPT YEAR 32 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
GRANT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Gibbsboro is entitled to Community Development Block Grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has chosen to submit an application for Program Year 32 (2010-2011); and

WHEREAS, the grant allocation for YEAR 32 (2010-2011) FOR THE Borough of Gibbsboro is \$21,293.00; and

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body has agreed to apply for funding for the following activity;

A CONTINUATION OF FUNDING FOR THE SENIOR RECREATION PROJECT -
AN ADDITION TO THE BUILDING AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body OF the Borough of Gibbsboro, and the County of Camden that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the project Description Form for Program Year 32 (2010-2011).

Edward G. Campbell, III,
Mayor

Anne D. Levy, RMC,
Borough Clerk

2010-2-43 RESOLUTION APPROVING A BINGO LICENSE – LICENSE BA-2010-01 TO
THE GIBBSBORO HOME AND SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that a Bingo License application has been submitted to the Borough of Gibbsboro by the Gibbsboro Home & School Association, who is sponsoring a Bingo night fund raiser at the Chop House on March 11, 2010; and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that License BA2010-01 is hereby granted to the Gibbsboro Home and School Association; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said license is for the refurbishment and improvement of the school's athletic grounds, specifically the upper basketball court and the removal of the lower basketball court.

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

2010-2-44 RESOLUTION APPOINTING AVAILABLE ANIMAL CONTROL AS THE
MUNICIPAL ANIMAL CRUELTY INVESTIGATOR TO SO ACT AS AN
OFFICER FOR DETECTION, APPREHENSION AND ARREST OF
OFFENDERS OF NEW JERSEY ANIMAL CRUELTY AND CONTROL
LAWS PURSUANT TO NJSA 4:19-15.16b

WHEREAS, John Micklewright of Available Animal Control, is contracted with the Borough of Gibbsboro, to provide animal control services; and

WHEREAS, John Micklewright has successfully completed the mandatory training outlined under *NJAC* 8:23A-2.6 and 8:23A-2.7; and

WHEREAS, there does exist a need for the municipality to have a full time, professionally trained animal cruelty investigator to protect the animals living within the municipality.

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey hereby appoint Available Animal Control as an Animal Cruelty Investigator to so act as an officer for detection, apprehension and arrest of violators of New Jersey animal cruelty and control laws.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this appointment will be valid for so long as Available Animal Control is contracted with the municipality, and that the municipality will incur no additional financial charges resulting from this appointment.

Anne D. Levy, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

2010-2-45 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXTEND THE YEAR 2009 AGREEMENT WITH THE VOORHEES ANIMAL ORPHANAGE, INC. TO PROVIDE HOUSING FOR ANIMALS OBTAINED WITHIN GIBBSBORO BY THE MUNICIPAL ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF GIBBSBORO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, State of New Jersey, County of Camden that the Mayor is hereby authorized to extend the 2009 Year Agreement with the Voorhees Animal Orphanage, Inc. to provide housing for animals obtained within Gibbsboro by the Municipal Animal Control Officer for the Borough of Gibbsboro at the rate of \$325 per month.

Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

Anne D. Levy
Borough Clerk

2010-2-47 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE GRACE PERIOD FOR THE FIRST QUARTER 2010 TAXES DUE TO A SNOW STORM

WHEREAS, the snow storm on February 10, 2010 caused hazardous conditions and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor authorized an extension of the grace period of the first quarter property taxes to February 16, 2010.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Gibbsboro, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby grants an extension of the grace period for payment of taxes from February 10, 2010 to February 16, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this resolution confirms the authorization given by the Mayor prior to the next scheduled Council Meeting as the meeting scheduled for February 10, 2010 was cancelled because of the snow storm.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a copy of this resolution will be forwarded to the Borough Tax Collector.

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Edward G. Campbell, III
Mayor

Anne D. Levy, RMC
Borough Clerk

Motion to approve Resolutions Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman MacFerren

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

MINUTES: None

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>	Welfare Director	<u> X </u>
Compliance/Zoning Officer	<u> X </u>	Engineer	<u> X </u>

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

PLANNING BOARD/PUBLIC WORKS

COUNCILMAN BONSALL

Councilman Bonsall reported that Public Works has plenty of material on hand for the upcoming storm. One public works truck is not working. Replacement of the 4-wheel drive vehicle is being sought.

PUBLIC EVENTS

COUNCILMAN BROWN

Councilman Brown reported that preparations are underway for the Easter Egg Hunt which will be held Saturday 3/27/10 or rain date of 4/3/10. The event will be held at the Elementary school.

POLICE/ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

COUNCILMAN CROGHAN

Councilman Croghan reported that nothing new regarding police other than the new hire tonight. The Environmental Commission is continue to work on signs for the tree and shrub identification. An event for the dedication of the Open Space is being planned for the end of April.

RECYCLING/SANITATION/RECREATION

COUNCILMAN MACFERREN

Councilman MacFerren reported that January recycling 20.5 tons, trash 76.18 tons. Councilman MacFerren spoke with Justin Walsh from the men's softball league and advised him that the fields will not be available in the Spring and perhaps not in the Fall.

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LOCAL ASSISTANCE/INSURANCE

COUNCILWOMAN MANCINI

Councilwoman Mancini reported that the insurance JIF/HIF meetings were held Monday. The safety breakfast was held on 2/23/10 and George Rogers was given two plaques for the Borough – one for zero accidents in 2009 and the second for 15% reduction of accidents from the prior year.

L&I/ZONING BOARD

COUNCILWOMAN SCHIEBER

Councilwoman Schieber was absent. Clerk Levy reported that one application was heard at the zoning board and approval was received for a 16x18 storage shed in an R40 zone conditioned upon the lots being consolidated.

MAYOR’S REPORT

MAYOR CAMPBELL

Mayor Campbell reported that the natural gas auction was held and it was successful. The Governor has stirred the pot regarding COAH and the affordable housing obligation. Mr. John Blaker has procured a significant amount of electronic equipment for our surveillance system at no cost to the Borough. The Mayor will set up a meeting with Jerry Bonsall, Chief Haaf, Chief Mingori, Greg Fusco, and Jack Croghan to discuss placing the system. Lastly, Mayor Campbell commented on Wally Pratz and the good work the Mayor observed during the snow storm. Wally was able to put a PW truck back in service in a very short period of time.

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

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

CORRESPONDENCE:

TO: Mayor and Council dated 12/9/09
 FROM: Mario R. Rodriguez, Director of Government Affairs & Facilities Access
 RE: Fiber Optic Installation
 ACTION: Solicitor Jehl will send a letter to Mr. Rodriguez requesting certain concessions. This item will be placed under Old Business.

Tabled from 1/25/10 Council meeting. Motion to remove this item from the table – Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Croghan

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

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TO: Greg Fusco, Borough Engineer dated 2/9/10
FROM: Dr. James J. Lavender, Superintendent, Gibbsboro Elementary School
RE: Interlocal Services Agreement for Misc. road & drainage services
ACTION: A Interlocal services agreement resolution will be placed on the next agenda for consideration by the governing body.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. INSTALL DOOR AT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Quotes received to demo existing door at police office and install new insulated hollow metal door and frame.

Se'E Improvements, Inc., Erial, NJ	\$ 935.00
Ron Pataky, Jr. Home Remodeling	975.00
Keller's Custom Renovations, Inc.	1,100.00

Motion to award to Se'E Improvements, Inc. in the amount of \$935, charged to Police OE, contingent upon certification of availability of funds from CFO Councilman Bonsall, Second Councilman Croghan

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

2. EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL ENRICHMENT REQUEST

A. Chief Mingori – Camden County 3 Tier School Lockdown Procedure – 3/3/10
Cost: \$0, Location: CC Police Academy – 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

B. Officer Marrlow – Alcotest Operator - 6/1 and 6/4/10
Cost \$0, Location: Gloucester County Police Academy

C. Dale Glinske – Workshop – 3/5/10
Cost: \$15, Location: Oaklyn Municipal Court

Motion to approve Education/Professional Enrichment Requests Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Bonsall

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

3. POLE HILL PARK – REMOVAL AND REPLACE ROOF ON STORAGE BUILDING

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Quotes received 2/8/10	Base Bid	Alternate*	Total
Custom Constructors, LLC	\$11,340.00	\$2,475.00	\$13,185.00
Alper Enterprises	12,700.00	3,351.60	\$16,051.60

* Remove and replace with ¾” plywood roof, decking complete

Motion to award to Custom Constructors, LLC in the amount of \$13,185.00, charged to Ordinance 2009-10, contingent upon certification of availability of funds from the CFO and review by the Borough Solicitor, Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Brown

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

4. 2010 BUDGET

Mayor Campbell distributed a draft 2010 budget and asked Council to review. Introduction will be at the next meeting.

5. 2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Council to review events and advise of any changes. Mayor Campbell will publish the calendar in the Town Crier.

6. 2010 SEWER FEES

Mayor Campbell commented that last year the sewer fee was granted to be paid in two payments since the fee was raised and that it would be for one year only. To change to two payments an ordinance would have to be enacted and obtain a new program from Edmunds and purchase new forms. A straw vote was taken and the majority voted for one payment.

7. CONSTRUCTION OFFICE – TEMPORARY HELP

Mayor Campbell appointed Tammy Fakler as a temporary employee to the construction/assessor office to cover the maternity leave of Alex Crosier from 3/22/10 to 4/30/10 at the rate of \$9.00/Hour.

Motion to ratify Mayor’s appointment Councilman MacFerren, Second Councilman Brown.

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

8. PUBLIC WORKS – TEMPORARY HELP

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Councilman Bonsall requested that the item be tabled.

INFORMATIONAL:

- 1. Next Council Meeting is Wednesday March 10, 2010.

MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Glen Werner, 66 Winding Way. Mr. Werner addressed the Council on a plethora of items.

George Rogers, Emergency Management Coordinator. Mr. Rogers commented that we will apply for emergency funding for the snow storms.

CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 9:17 P.M. COUNCILMAN BONSALL, SECOND COUNCILMAN CROGHAN

Voice Vote:	Councilman Bonsall	Aye	Councilman Brown	Aye
	Councilman Croghan	Aye	Councilman MacFerren	Aye
	Councilwoman Mancini	Aye	Councilwoman Schieber	Absent

 Anne D. Levy, RMC
 Borough Clerk

 Edward G. Campbell, III
 Mayor

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