Public Meeting December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Meeting was opened by Mayor Theresa Branella at 6:00pm. Those present were T. MacAdams, Mike Mevoli, J. Granstrom, J. McCleary, G. Gilbert, and T. Branella. The Solicitor was Timothy Higgins, Esq.. P. MacAdams was absent.

This Meeting was advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, and complies with all the laws therein.

# Reading and approval of minutes of November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012:

Motion – G. Gilbert 2<sup>nd</sup> – M. Mevoli All in favor: Carried.

#### **Open to Public:**

Dan Friel 203 Pennsylvania Road, asked if he would be able to get the meeting list for 2013 off the website. The clerk informed him that the website is getting an overhaul and might not be updated until we finish revising it. It would be best to get the list from the Gloucester City News or pick one up from the Borough offices.

#### **Old Business:**

1) Ordinance:

# 12-12 Amending Chapter 50: Abandon Property, Rehabilitation of Property Second Reading
Public Hearing – No comments or concerns noted from the public

Motion – G. Gilbert

2<sup>nd</sup> – M. Mevoli

All in Favor: Carried.

### **New Business:**

#### 2) Resolutions:

# 154-12	Award of Contract for Purchase of Calcium Hypo chlorite Tablets
# 155-12	Budget Transfers for 2012
# 156-12	Acceptance of Resignation from Class II Officer – Quenton Mulford
# 157-12	Authorization for Deferred School Taxes
# 158-12	Authorizing Hiring of Police Officer – Ray McKenney
# 159-12	Cancellation of Property Tax Balances Less Than \$10.00
# 160-12	Refund Overpayment of Property Taxes for Block 8 Lot 12 for \$100.00
# 161-12	Application for Bingo and Raffle License for American Legion Post #72
# 162-12	Execute Contract with Chief of Police
# 163-12	Chapter 159 – Safe and Secure Grant \$30,000
Motion – M. Mevoli	
$2^{nd} - J$	. McCleary
All in Favor: Carried.	

Approval of payment of bills: \$228,714.28

Motion – M. Mevoli 2<sup>nd</sup> – J. McCleary All in favor: Carried.

## **Open to Council:**

J McCleary said God Bless all the people who lost someone in the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary in Connecticut. She told everyone that she had a family friend who lost someone in the event.

J. McCleary spoke about the possibility of going to privatization for trash pickup. The CFO gave an analysis that showed some savings. Since these were not real numbers, she wants to make a resolution to go out for bids. J. Granstrom said we did this years ago and there were problems. M. Mevoli said they were over charging for tipping fees. D. Domico said that that was over 25 years ago and there are significant changes that combat those problems. G. Gilbert asked if there could be an opt-out clause in the contract. The solicitor informed everyone that you could opt-out in writing within 90 days of the years end if your not satisfied. The resolution would not bind council to a decision but give us better numbers to work with. Everyone agreed to continue the conversation over the next couple months.

Resolution 164-12 Authorize to Advertise Bids for Solid Waste Removal Motion – J. McCleary  $2^{nd}$  – G. Gilbert All in Fayor: Carried.

- M. Mevoli thanked everyone who helped out at the tree lighting held on December 1<sup>st</sup>.
- T. MacAdams said he is working with the spirit committee to give to those in need.
- J. Granstrom thanked D. Domico for educating him on the water smell issue. He feels the water tasted and smelled like bleach. D. Domico says she thinks they got the issue resolved. J. Granstrom said he is one of the first off the line from the water plant and hopes it is resolved.
- G. Gilbert said the website has begun construction. Mr. Anderson has started the initial phase of building the site.
- R. Giles informed council of the RFPs are in his office for review and the reorganization meeting will be January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm. Its been a great first year and hopes to learn more next year.

**Motion to Adjourn** – J. Granstrom  $2^{nd}$  – T. MacAdams All in favor: Adjourned.

Ryan Giles Borough Clerk