



Florham Park Borough Council
Thursday, May 1, 2017
Work Session Minutes
6:00 p.m.

Mayor Taylor called the Work Session to order at 6:00 p.m. He asked the Borough Clerk for a roll call:

| Governing Body | Present | Absent |
|-----------------------------|---------|--------|
| Mayor Taylor | X | |
| Council President Zuckerman | X | |
| Councilman Germershausen | X | |
| Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane | X | |
| Councilman Carpenter | X | |
| Councilman Malone | X | |
| Councilman Michalowski | X | |

RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution # 16-75 Authorizing Executive Session

At 6:00 p.m., Councilman Germershausen made a motion to approve Resolution # 17-75 to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Michalowski.

Roll Call Vote:

| Council Member | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Comments |
|----------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Michalowski | X | | | | |
| Germershausen | X | | | | |
| Cefolo-Pane | X | | | | |
| Carpenter | X | | | | |
| Malone | X | | | | |
| Zuckerman | X | | | | |
| Total | 6 | | | | |

Council returned to the work session after the Executive Session was adjourned at 7:20 p.m. On a motion made by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Germershausen, the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:20 p.m.

Council Portfolio Updates:

Council President Zuckerman provided the following report:

Environmental Commission:

- The size of the footbridge is being reviewed for Spring Garden Lake
- Having a work detail at Spring Garden Lake on Saturday, May 13th from 9-1 to spread wood chips

Board of Education:

- The Board of Education passed their budget. The average increase is \$69 for the average homeowner; student body is 954

Florham Park Municipal Pool:

- Still looking for lifeguards and assistant managers; looking forward to opening at the end of May
- Reminder that after May there is a \$25.00 late fee for those who didn't register.

Councilman Germershausen provided the following report:

Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders:

- The Freeholders adopted their budget last week; \$332.1M. The average increase to homeowner is \$18 more per year. The increase was \$1.7M. The health insurance increased by \$6M.

Historic Preservation Commission:

- Suzanne Herold gave the Cub Scouts a tour of the Little Red Schoolhouse yesterday

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane presented the following report:

Planning Board: Not much to report; a few site plan waivers

Gazebo Committee:

- The Gazebo Committee has another meeting on Thursday. Bands are all lined up; there will be no concert on Father's Day due to historically low attendance.
- Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane announced the bands for the 2017 Concert Series. She stated that there would not be a concert on Father's Day due to historically low attendance. Donations have been rolling in. The concerts for this year are as follows:

June 11 - British Invasion
(Pizza Vita)

June 25 - David Aaron Orchestra
(Pizza Vita)

July 2 - Separate Ways – Journey Tribute Band
(Empanada Guy)

July 9 - One Stop Pony (Tribute to Johnny Cash, Neil Young & Others)
(Pizza Vita)

July 16 - Desert Highway (Eagles Tribute)
(Pizza Vita)

July 23 - Little Big Band
(Empanada Guy)

July 30 - Jesse Garron (Elvis Tribute)
(Empanada Guy)

Senior Citizens

- There is an Executive Board meeting on Wednesday; June 14 luncheon will be held at Hanover Manor
- The Holiday luncheon this year will be held at Brooklake Country Club

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane stated there is an Ordinance on the Agenda tonight for adoption of the PILOT for supportive housing.

Councilman Carpenter presented the following report:

Florham Park Police Department

- Police participated in a nationwide distracted driving initiative; they stopped 236 cars; 128 summonses were issued
- Block Watch captain's meeting on April 26; 42 out of 70 captains attended.; currently have 124 streets with active block watch captains.
- PD held another successful *Operation Take Back*; 57 pounds of drugs collected

Department of Public Works

- Working on catch basin repairs
- Grass pick-up is continuing; will switch to no biodegradable bags or branches
- Assisted with water main break
- Working on composting of leaves; that is now back in-house

Florham Park First Aid Squad

- In the process of ordering a new rig; reviewing specifications

Florham Park Fire Department

- One new recruit in the pipeline for the Fire Department
- Bill Shaw longtime resident, business owner and firefighter passed away

Department of Engineering

Borough Engineer Sgaramella reported the following:

- Regarding the pedestrian bridge at Spring Garden Lake; looking at options, i.e. fiberglass composite bridges; composite reduces deterioration and mold; will report back on prices, etc.
- Madison Avenue; consultant finishing up work over there; will be advertising bid shortly.
- Borough Hall roof; meeting with architect next week; will be advertising that bid shortly

Councilman Malone provided the following report:

Recreation:

- Stobaeus Trail is looking good; Frank and the DPW crew have cleared a lot of branches; Mike met with the school; the school might extend their path
- Recreation Committee has not met for a while; will meet to finalize the awards to be given out at the 4th of July which are the Fred Stobaeus and Lou Boyd awards
- Spring season is underway; planning for summer
- Recreation youth sports are in full swing; i.e baseball, soccer and lacrosse
- Day Camp and Teen Summer Experience all in planning stages
- Men's softball; had an injury over the weekend. Man broke his ankle in three places

Councilman Michalowski provided the following report:

Library:

- Former employee Marina Mafia received the Library Rising Star award.

4th of July:

- Things are moving along with the planning for the 4th of July Celebration; Joe Guerin is now the chair of the Committee. The theme for this year is the Little Red Schoolhouse.

Water Utility:

- Working on hydrant flushing
- Dealt with watermain breaks on Elm Street, Pinchbrook, Delwood

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE # 17-11

**# 17-11 Approving the Financial Agreement for Tax Exemption Between
Florham Park Borough & Florham Park Supportive Housing LP**

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane read a summary of Ordinance # 17-11 and moved for its adoption. She stated that the Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on April 20, 2017 as follows:

BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE #17-11

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE
BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE
OF NEW JERSEY APPROVING THE FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR TAX
EXEMPTION BY AND BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
AND FLORHAM PARK SUPPORTIVE HOUSING LP**

Mayor Taylor asked Borough Clerk Sheila Williams to read a summary of the legal notice.

Mrs. Williams read a summary of the legal notice and stated that the Ordinance had been published as required by law, posted on the bulletin board in Borough Hall and that copies had been made available to members of the general public desiring same.

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public on the Ordinance and stated that any taxpayer of the Borough of Florham Park or any interested persons could be heard.

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting for public comment.

Seeing no members of the public who wished to be heard, he closed the meeting to the public.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED, that the Ordinance, as read by title, on second reading, at this Regular meeting, be adopted and finally passed.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Vote:

| Council Member | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent | Comments |
|----------------|-----|-----|---------|--------|----------|
| Zuckerman | X | | | | |
| Germershausen | X | | | | |
| Cefolo-Pane | X | | | | |
| Carpenter | X | | | | |
| Malone | X | | | | |
| Zuckerman | X | | | | |
| Total | 6 | | | | |

Mayor Taylor declared that the Ordinance passed and asked the Borough Clerk to print the notice of adoption in the proper places.

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Councilman Malone made a motion to approve the current bills list in the amount of \$3,578,716.78. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

Vote:

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| Zuckerman | X | | | | |
| Germershausen | X | | | | |
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| Malone | X | | | | |
| Michalowski | X | | | | |
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PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting for public comment as follows:

John Winters, 32 Brooklake Road

- Mr. Winters asked asked about the Rock GW getting a Fortune 500 Company. Are they going to have a tenant in the 2nd building?

The Mayor stated the second building was not going to have a tenant.

Mr. Winters Asked about the County increase; believes it varies from town to town.

Mayor Taylor said it does; we should have it soon and CFO Patrice Visco agreed.

George Stafford, Representative of NJ Highlands Coaltion

Mr. Stafford has two resolutions he would like the Council to consider. The first one concerns the NJ Water Plan; a study was supposed to be done; no study ever published after the initial one. We ask the State of NJ to publish the latest water plan and the second is to do another water plan so we know where we are.

The other Resolution is from *Keep it Green* and asks you to ask the State Legislature to provide money for Open Space.

Seeing no more members of the public who wished to be heard, Mayor Taylor closed the meeting to the public.

Mayor Taylor thanked Mr. Stafford for coming out and indicated the Council would take the Resolutions under advisement.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion made by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Council President Zuckerman the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.
Borough Clerk
May 17, 2017