



BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
2018 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
January 10, 2018

I. Call to Order

MAYOR TAYLOR: Happy New Year everyone and welcome to the 2018 Annual Reorganization Meeting. It is so nice to see everyone and I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season. At this time, I would like to call to order the 2018 Reorganization meeting.

Roll Call:

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call of the 2017 Council please?

Mrs. Williams: Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane, Councilman Carpenter, Councilman Michalowski, Councilman Zuckerman

II. Open Public Meetings Act Announcement

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, have all the requirements of the Open Public Meetings act been met?

Williams: Pursuant to NJSA 10:4-9, I hereby state for the record that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public by posting the notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building as well as the timely publication of the Legal Notice in the Daily Record and The Star Ledger.

MAYOR: Thank you Mrs. Williams.

III. Acknowledgement of Guests

MAYOR:

Before we begin our appointments, I would like to begin by wishing everyone a Happy & Healthy New Year. I would also like to acknowledge some of our distinguished guests in the audience:

We have with us this evening:

1. Morris County Sheriff James Gannon
2. County Clerk Anne Grossi
3. Superior Court Judge: The Honorable James DeMarzo
4. Former Councilman Stan Wisnewski who also will be serving this year as the Chair of the Environmental Commission

Also in attendance this evening are all of our Borough Department Heads and I see many members of our volunteer organizations, our Senior Citizens, Fire Department, Florham Park First Aid, Recreation Volunteers and of course all of the wonderful volunteers of our boards, commissions and committees. It is the collective efforts of all of you that make Florham Park such a nice place to live. It really is so nice to see everyone, I really appreciate you all for being here this evening. Before the evening begins, I would like to ask you all to stick around for a while after the meeting and enjoy some refreshments. Also, if you are sworn in this evening as a Borough Official, Board or Commission member, you must sign the Oath Book before leaving tonight. The Borough Clerk's Assistant, Lisa DiTaranto, will have the oath book for you to sign on your way out in the hallway outside of the Council Chambers.

MAYOR: At this time I would like to recognize the following people who are going to assist us with our ceremony this evening.

We have the Florham Park Police Honor Guard in attendance. They will be with us shortly – As always, thank you to those members of our Police Department.

Also with us this evening is a very talented singer, Emmy Henning, a student from Hanover Park High School who has very graciously volunteered to sing our National Anthem this evening. Welcome Emmy.

Also, Superior Court Judge James DeMarzo will be with us to swear in our elected officials and other Borough Officials. Thank you so much for attending Your Honor. We always enjoy and appreciate your friendship with Florham Park and it is nice to keep the tradition going.

Last but not least, we have Father Joe Lugo who will provide the invocation this evening.

Thank you and welcome to all of you.

V. INVOCATION:

MAYOR: At this time I would ask Father Lugo to step up to the microphone to provide the invocation. Father, once again thank you for being here. Would everyone **PLEASE STAND.**

Father Lugo Provides Invocation.

MAYOR: Thank you Father Lugo. That was wonderful. I appreciate you taking time out of your evening to be here. **PLEASE REMAIN STANDING.**

V. Opening Ceremony

****Pledge of Allegiance – Florham Park Honor Guard.**

MAYOR: As mentioned before, we have with us members of the Honor Guard of The Florham Park Police Department who will lead us in the Flag Salute. They have graciously attended our ceremony for many years and always do such a wonderful job. Please join me in welcoming Sgt. Christopher D'Ambola, Patrolman Joel Phillips, Patrolman Richard Wronski and Patrolman Daniel Braico

****National Anthem - Star Spangled Banner:**

MAYOR: At this time I will ask Emmy Henning to come up to the microphone to sing our National Anthem.

MAYOR: Thank you so much Emmy- that was just beautiful.

VI. 2017 Old Business

MAYOR: At this time I would ask the Borough Council to address some old business from 2017.

➤ PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Zuckerman: I would like to make a motion to approve the current bills list from December 2017 in the amount of \$662,306.79.

Cefolo-Pane: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call: Cefolo-Pane, Carpenter, Zuckerman, Michalowski

MAYOR: Seeing that the 2017 unfinished business has been addressed I will now close this portion of the meeting. Can I have a motion of the Council to close this portion of the meeting?

Zuckerman: So moved.

Cefolo-Pane 2nd.

Mayor: All in favor.

All: AYE

VII. 2018 NEW BUSINESS:

Swearing in of the Recently Elected 2018 Council:

Mayor: Now that our 2017 business is finished, we will proceed to our 2018 New Business. I am sure we all wish to Congratulate Councilman Charles Malone and Councilman Charles Germershausen on their recent re-election. (Applause). Mr. Germershausen was unable to attend this evening; however, he was sworn in by Borough Clerk Sheila Williams in her office this morning. At this time, I would ask Charles Malone to step up so Judge DeMarzo can administer the oath of office to him.

(Judge DeMarzo administers the oath of office to Councilman Malone and he returns to the dais)

MAYOR: Councilman Malone. Congratulations, it is my continued honor to serve the Florham Park citizens with you.

VIII. ROLL CALL OF THE 2018 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams may I have a Roll Call of the 2018 Council Members please?

Roll Call: Council President Zuckerman, Councilman Germershausen, Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane, Councilman Carpenter, Councilman Malone, Councilman Michalowski

IX. NOMINATION OF 2018 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MAYOR: At this time, I call for a motion of the Council for a nomination for the 2018 Council President.

Zuckerman: I would like to make a motion to nominate Councilwoman Carmen Cefolo-Pane to serve as Council President for 2018

Carpenter: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call: Cefolo-Pane, Germershausen, Carpenter, Malone, Michalowski,
Zuckerman

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane			X		
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	3		1	2	

MAYOR: I would like to take a moment to thank Councilman Bill Zuckerman for his invaluable support during the past year. Bill, your assistance and diligence was very much appreciated. I would also like to congratulate Council President Cefolo-Pane on her new appointment. I look forward to working closely with her this year.

Borough Council 2018 Portfolio Assignments:

MAYOR: I will now announce the portfolio assignments for the Council members for 2018:

Council President Carmen Cefolo-Pane

Council Liaison for:

Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, Town Center Task Force, Senior Citizens, AARP, Gazebo Committee, Community TV

Councilman Charles Germershausen

Council Liaison for:

Historic Preservation Commission, Board of Chosen Freeholders

Councilman Scott Carpenter

Council Liaison for:

Department of Public Works, Florham Park Fire Department, Florham Park Police Department, Florham Park First Aid Squad, Office of Emergency Management, Department of Engineering, Recycling

Councilman Charles Malone

Council Liaison for:

CFO, Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, Recreation, Municipal Parks & Facilities, Florham Park Athletic Foundation, Economic Development & Commerce, Morris County Chamber of Commerce

Councilman Thomas Michalowski:

Council Liaison for:

Municipal Court, Sewer Utility, Water Utility, Board of Health, 4th of July Committee, Library Board of Trustees, Project Community Pride

Councilman William Zuckerman:

Council Liaison For:

Board of Education, Municipal Pool, Environmental Commission, Open Space Preservation, Grants

X. APPOINTMENTS AND OATH OF OFFICE:

Appointment of Borough Officials:

Malone: Mr. Mayor I would like to make a motion to appoint the following Borough Officials:

- Sheila Williams, Search Assessment Officer, 1 year term, expiring 12/31/18
- Joseph Guerin, Tax Search Officer, 1 year term, expiring 12/31/18
- Cindy Phillips, Pension Certifying Official 1 year term, expiring 12/31/18

Cefolo-Pane: I will second the motion

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call: Cefolo-Pane, Germershausen, Carpenter, Malone, Michalowski, Zuckerman

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Mayor: Those officials will be sworn in at a later date at the Clerk’s Office.

Police Department Appointments:

Mayor: Next we will move on to some appointments for the Police Department. As I call your name, please step up so that Judge DeMarzo can swear you in.

SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS for a term of 1 year:

- Rocco Scanniello
- John Novalis

INTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICERS for a term of 1 year:

- Lieutenant Michael Voitcu
- Lieutenant Matthew Gatzke
- Lieutenant Scott Bartell
- Sgt. Karl Svenningsen
- Sgt. Philip D’Alessio

I also recommend the following per diem dispatchers:

- Matthew Alessio
- Peter Kane
- Adam Foti

Carpenter: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Malone: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Mayor: Will all of those named members please come forward to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo

OEM Appointments:

Mayor: I hereby make the following recommendations to appoint the following individuals as Deputy OEM Coordinators in **the Office of Emergency Management** for a term of 1 year:

- Joseph Orlando – Deputy Coordinator
- Scott Bartell – Deputy Coordinator
- Kevin Guilfoyle – Deputy Coordinator
- Michael Cannilla – Deputy Coordinator
- Mike Smith – Deputy Coordinator
- Carl Ganger – Deputy Coordinator
- Mike Sgaramella – Deputy Coordinator
- Phil Infantolino – Deputy Coordinator
- Paul McGann – Deputy Coordinator

Carpenter: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Malone: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Mayor: Will all of those named members please come forward to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo

Fire Department Appointments:

Mayor: Next, we will move to the Fire Department appointees.

I recommend the appointment of the following individuals to the Florham Park Volunteer Fire Department Board of Fire Engineers for a term of one year:

- Fire Chief Scott Carpenter
- Deputy Chief Paul McGann
- Assistant Chief Brian Magee
- Rescue Captain Dan Bundschuh

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Malone: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Mayor: Congratulations to all of the Fire appointees. Will all of those members step up to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo.

Mayor: Next we will move on to the appointments of our Boards and Commission Members.

Appointments to Boards & Commissions:

Planning Board:

Mayor: I hereby make the following appointments to the Florham Park Planning Board:

Joseph Guerin	1 year term expiring 12/31/2018
John Buchholz	4 year term expiring 12/31/2021
Dave Roberts	3 year term expiring 12/31/2019

Zoning Board:

Mayor: I hereby make the following appointments to the Zoning Board of Adjustment:

Jeffrey Noss	4 year term expiring on 12/31/2021
Ronald DeRose	Filling an unexpired term, due to expire on 12/31/2020
Jason Jensen	Filling an unexpired term, due to expire on 12/31/19
Brian O'Connor	4 year term expiring 12/31/2021

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Zuckerman: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Mayor: Will those members please step forward to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo.

Board of Health:

Mayor: Next, I recommend the following appointments to the Board of Health:

Peter Kleban	3 year term	expiring 12/31/20
Stanley Wisnewski	3 year term	expiring 12/31/20
Tana LaPlaca	3 year term	expiring 12/31/20
Kathleen-Solar Greene	1 year term as alternate	expiring 12/31/18

Malone: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Carpenter: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Library Board of Trustees:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Library Board of Trustees:

Jane Stumpf	Superintendent's Designee	1 year term expiring 12/31/18
Thomas Michalowski	Council Liaison	1 year term expiring 12/31/18

Mayor: Will those members please step forward to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo.

Historic Preservation Commission:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Historic Preservation Commission:

Patrick Dolan	3 year term expiring 12/31/20
Rosemary Picone	3 year term expiring 12/31/20
Dallas Herold	3 year term expiring 12/31/20

Environmental Commission:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Environmental Commission:

Stan Wisnewski	3 year term expiring 12/31/20
Mary Orloff	3 year term expiring 12/31/20
Ken Roser	3 year term expiring 12/31/20
Sid Dvorkan	Filling an unexpired 3 year term expiring 12/31/2019
Matt Toto	Filling an unexpired 3 year term expiring 12/31/2019
Sally LoRusso	Alternate Member, 2 year term expiring 12/31/2019

Zuckerman: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Cefolo-Pane: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

MAYOR: Will all appointees from those Boards and Commissions please step forward to be sworn in by Judge DeMarzo

After Judge DeMarzo swears them in, the Mayor States:

MAYOR: That concludes the oath of office portion of the meeting. I would once again like to thank the Honorable James DeMarzo for taking time out of his busy schedule to assist us this evening. Let's give him a round of applause. Also please do not forget to sign the Oath of Office Book if you were sworn in. Thank you.

Committee Appointments:

MAYOR: Next we will move on to the appointments of our various committee members. Committee members do not have to be sworn in; however, I would like each member to stand up to be recognized after their name is called. Also, I would just like to state for the record how grateful I am for all of the volunteers. Without you, Florham Park would not be the special place it is today. I would just like to say there are people that have been serving on some of these Boards, Commissions and Committees for years with little recognition. Tonight we would like to recognize you all for everything you do. (APPLAUSE) I would love it if you would stay after the meeting for some light refreshments.

Gazebo Committee:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Gazebo Committee:

Joseph Jagiello, Jr., Chair
John Timmons, Judy Wisnewski, Stan Wisnewski,
Jim Dirlam, Jenn Pulice, Ron Bauer, Marie D'Amico, Suzanne Herold
Mike Farrell, John Sugg, Tammy Verdeber, Jessica Cox, John Dirlam,
John Huelbig

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Zuckerman: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Town Center Task Force:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Town Center Task Force:

Michael Prokop, Chair
Carole Anderson, Steve Jensen, Donald Lepore, Michael Mehl,

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Malone: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Community Television:

Mayor: I recommend the following appointments to the Florham Park Community TV Committee:

David Ackerman, Chair
William Ackerman, Patty Foley, Joseph Guerin, Suzanne Herold,
Joseph Jagiello, Jr.

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Carpenter: I will second that motion.

Mayor: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Recreation Committee:

MAYOR: I recommend the following 2 year appointments to the Recreation Committee, which terms will expire 12/31/2019:

Scott Carpenter, Bill Carlucci, Bruce Peterson, Michael Murphy

Malone: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Zuckerman : I will second the motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

4th of July Committee:

MAYOR: I recommend the following appointments to the July 4th Celebration Committee:

Joe Guerin, Chair

Joseph Guerin III, Linda Michalowski, Tom Michalowski, John Novalis, Dallas Herold, Suzanne Herold, Gary Fiore, Alexis Subert, Nancy Lack

Cefolo-Pane: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Malone: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call: Cefolo-Pane, Germershausen, Carpenter, Malone,
Michalowski, Zuckerman

Municipal Pool Advisory Committee:

MAYOR: I recommend the following appointments to the
Pool Advisory Committee:

Mike Murphy, Richard Zuckerman, Frank Newman,
Peter Fucuciello, Isaac Kisselman, Myron Kleban, Steve Zuckerman

Zuckerman: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Carpenter: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Affirmation of Current Borough Employees

MAYOR: I recommend the continued employment of all Borough Employees
who were on the Payroll on December 31, 2017, except for any
employees whose service with the Borough may have been
terminated at or on December 31, 2017.

Cefolo-Pane: So moved.

Malone: Second.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Announcement of 2018 Meeting Dates by the Council President:

Cefolo-Pane: The Open Public Meetings Act establishes the right of all citizens to have adequate advance notice of all public meetings and the right to attend those meetings at which any business affecting the public is discussed or acted upon. The Legal Notices for these meetings have been posted in the official newspaper of Florham Park Borough in accordance with current laws. The Open Public Meetings act also requires the official announcement during the first ten days of the New Year of all the official meeting dates of the Governing Body which is being done here tonight. The 2018 meetings are as follows:

Regular Monthly Public Council Meetings in 2018 will be held in the Municipal Building, 111 Ridgedale Avenue at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time with a work session preceding at 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

[January 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 14, July 12, August 16, September 20, October 18, November 15, December 13](#)

Regular Council Work Sessions for 2018 will also be held in the Municipal Building and will begin at 6:30 p.m. Business conducted at the work sessions will include such matters as may come before the Council, including the taking of official action when deemed necessary by the Governing Body. Work Sessions are open to the public for questions and comments. The Work Session dates for 2018 are as follows:

[February 1, March 1, April 5, May 3, September 6, October 4, November 1](#)

I would like to mention at this time that the law specifies nine exceptions to the requirements for admitting the public to meetings. These exceptions would allow the Governing Body

to enter into a closed session. They are:

1. Matters ruled confidential by law.
2. Matters that would impair monies.
3. Matters constituting invasion of individual privacy.
4. Matters involving collective bargaining, including negotiations.
5. Tactics and techniques involving protection, public safety and property as well as investigations of possible violations.
6. Matters involving acquisition of real property and investment of funds.
7. Litigation, contract negotiations, or matters involving attorney client relationships.
8. Personnel matters such as hiring, firing, disciplinary action, etc.
9. Deliberations after public hearing that may result in civil penalties or loss of a license or permit.

Malone: I move that the meeting dates for public meetings and work sessions be accepted as read.

Zuckerman: I will second that motion.

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

MAYOR: At this time I will ask our Borough Clerk to notify the proper newspapers of the meeting dates for 2018

Williams: So noted.

XII. Resolutions – Consent Agenda

- # 18-1 Authorizing Depositories for Borough Funds
- # 18-2 Authorizing Signatures for Checks, Drafts & Withdrawals
- # 18-3 Authorizing 2018 Borough Holiday Schedule
- # 18-4 Authorizing Appointment of a Pension Certifying Officer
- # 18-5 Authorization for Transfers of Overpayments
- # 18-6 Authorization of Professional Service Contracts
- # 18-7 Authorization of Interest Rates for Delinquent Taxes
- # 18-8 Authorization of the Official Newspapers of Florham Park
- # 18-9 Notice of Official Newspapers to Receive Meeting Notices
- # 18-10 Charges for Mailing Meeting Notices
- # 18-11 Appointment of Insurance Fund Commissioner
- # 18-12 Petty Cash Account Re-affirmation
- # 18-13 Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer
- # 18-14 Appointing 2018 Community Development Revenue Sharing
Advisory
Committee Members
- # 18-15 Authorizing Temporary Budget Appropriations – 2018 Budget
- # 18-16 Authorizing 2018 SLEO Officers in the FP Police Department
- # 18-17 Appointing Per Diem Dispatchers in the FP Police Department
- # 18-18 Authorizing 2018 Office of Emergency Management Appointments
- # 18-19 Authorizing a Risk Management Consultant
- # 18-20 Rescinding the Petty Cash Account for the Municipal Pool
- # 18-21 Rescinding the Petty Cash Account for the Municipal Court
- # 18-22 Authorizing a Change in Petty Cash Fund Custodian for the Police
Dept.
- # 18-23 Authorizing a Change in Petty Cash Fund Custodian for the Finance
Dept.
- # 18-24 Authorizing Appointment of a Public Defender for FP Borough

MAYOR: Can I have a motion to allow the Resolutions listed on the agenda to be approved by consent agenda of the Council please? The Resolutions are listed on the agenda and are of a routine nature. If there are any questions from the public regarding them, please ask them at this time.

Cefolo-Pane: I would like to make a motion to allow the resolutions listed on the agenda to be approved by consent of the Council via a single motion

Carpenter: Second

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call please?

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

XIII. Mayoral Address to the Citizens

Mayor Taylor will addressed the Citizens of Florham Park as follows:

Good Evening and Welcome to the Annual 2018 Re-Organization meeting. Thank you all for taking time out of your busy schedules to attend this evening. We are blessed this evening to have such nice weather for our re-organization meeting. The weather last Thursday forced me to reschedule the meeting for safety reasons.

As we once again change the calendar to a New Year, I must look back and reflect on how well Florham Park progressed in 2017 and the plans that we have for this year and beyond. I am truly honored and blessed to stand before you this evening as your Mayor as I begin my 6th year as mayor of this great town. I would like to first thank my wife Janet and my children Erin and Christopher for their continued support to allow me to be the mayor. It does take countless hours away from our time together. Please know that I along with the council will continue to work every day to do our absolute best for all residents of this great town as we move forward together.

I would like to take a minute to congratulate Charlie Malone and Charlie Germershausen on their recent re-elections to sever this Borough on our Council. I would like to Thank Bill Zuckerman for serving as Council President this past year... Thank you, Bill

As we look back on 2017 and all that we have accomplished, I must highlight that Florham Park continues to be the best place in New Jersey to live and

raise a Family... that is my most humble opinion. I cannot convey to you how proud I am to be a part of our continued success. In this community of volunteers, the accomplishments continue to be realized due to the efforts of so many people. One of the most important factors in this accomplishment are the dedicated Employees of Florham Park Borough. I would like to wish all the best to three retired employees from 2017, Chief Robert Treiber, DPW Director Frank Esposito and Steve Jones Construction Official. Collectively these three individuals had over 80 years of service with the Boro of Florham Park, all the best to them. I also would like to wish at this time my heartfelt appreciation to the staff in Borough Hall, Our Administrator Bill Huyler and our Clerk Sheila Williams the Police department under the direction of Acting Chief Joseph Orlando, all the employees of DPW under the direction of Mike Smith, supervisors Andrew Williams and George Stiner, our Library employees directed by Joan Hipp, the Water department and Sewer department directed by Carl Ganger, Alex Zipeto and Ted Lee, Recreation department directed by John Timmons our Zoning department, directed by Kevin Guilfoyle and Janet Doherty. In our engineering department Mike Sgaramella and Jim (JD) DePalma. Our Assessors office John Murry, Jim Gibbs and Lisa Amato ...If there is anyone else I have missed... I am sorry, but thank you all for a great job well done. I would like to give a big round of applause to all the employees that are here this evening.

Thank you to our Volunteers on the Fire Department and First Aid Squad. These are the people who are on the front line 24 hours a day 7 days a week. A big round of applause... Our Recreation volunteers, from those on the Recreation Committees to coaches, parent coordinators and all others who assist in our many sporting activities in here in Florham Park and East Hanover on our joint programs. I would also like to thank all of our volunteer board members, commissions and committee members that take time out of their daily lives to serve this Borough in whatever capacity they can to make a difference. I would like all members here this evening to stand for a round of applause.

We posted a huge milestone this year with the celebration of the 150th birthday of our beloved and admired landmark known as the Little Red Schoolhouse.

I would like to thank Chairperson Suzanne Herold and the entire Historic Preservation commission for the hard work in securing this treasured landmark with two recent grants to improve and restore the roof and paint the building.

Florham Park had a very busy year as we continue to chip away at lowering our debt and strive to do the best we can with the very smallest increase in Taxes in spite of health care and other costs that continue to increase year after year. I am very proud of our team on the finance side directed by our CFO Patrice Visco. Applause We continue to receive the blessing from Moody's with an Aaa bond rating. Florham Park is one of 16 Towns in New Jersey to hold this rating. When you consider the fact that Florham Park is one of 565 municipalities in New Jersey and we have held this Aaa bond rating for all these years, this is a great accomplishment. Thank you's go out to my team members, Jon Rheinhardt, Ray Sarinelli, Patrice Visco, Bill Huyler, council Liaison Charlie Malone and all the Council members that worked so hard to achieve this goal. We have a great financial team in place and we also have an aggressive plan in place as we move forward.

Recently, the Council has discussed ways to better communicate with the residents of Florham Park. We have reached out to work with TAPinto.com/Florham Park to help bring more information to the residents.

We continue to see new projects from the Rockefeller Group at the "Green at Florham Park", with the latest MD Anderson and the Archer Hotel working towards completion early this calendar year. The Green continues to evolve with more new and exciting projects that will be before the Planning Board this spring.

At this time I would like to briefly run through bullet points of each the demanding portfolios of our council members.

Council President Bill Zuckerman:

Florham Park Pool – Membership increased this year while revenues were down. This was attributed to some bad weather. The pool maintenance was impeccable this season and for that I would like to Thank Frank Newman and his entire staff.

Environmental Commission:

After many years the commission was able to install a foot bridge over the east Madison side of the lake. The Lake continues to be maintained and used as local fishing pond.

Board of Education. The Board of Education continues to work on a major capital improvement project which should be ready for review in the spring. The current Board of Education members and Superintendent Dr. Melissa Varley continued to further increase test scores of all students in our K-8 district.

Councilman Charlie Germershausen:

Historic Preservation Commission:

This year was a very special year for the Florham Park Historic Preservation Commission. We celebrated the 150th anniversary of the Little Red Schoolhouse. The events for this celebration began with a cocktail party of Brooklake County Club. This event was well attended by many residents along with Mayor Taylor and 3 former Mayors. The Commission received a flag that was flown over the United States Capitol as a gift from Congressman Rodney Frelinghuysen.

Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders

2017 was a year of continued projects and programs sponsored and completed by the Morris County Board of Chosen Freeholders. The Freeholders continue aggressive efforts to maintain roads and bridge networks throughout the county. During March 2017, the Freeholders introduced a \$332.1 million budget. Additionally, Morris County Clerk Ann Grossi will run for a second term in 2018. We would like to wish her well and show our support in this campaign year for Ann.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane:

Florham Park Senior Club, at this time I would like to pause for a moment of silence for Vinny Maggiulli who passed away earlier this year. Vinny was a fun loving person who always had something nice to say about everyone. He is truly missed. The membership of the seniors is open to all Florham Park residents, age 62 and over. The Florham Park Senior Club, President Richard

Irwin has taken leadership reins from former Club President Charlene Sozansky.

A Council Subcommittee was formed this year to reviewing senior transportation possibilities from several different sources, to include Uber, My Limo and others. The seniors have some options that they are reviewing at this time.

AARP Chapter Has elected a new President. Longtime volunteer and town resident Joelyn Hofferer. All the best to Joelyn as President and a special thank you to Dick Zeien for his past devotion as president of this group.

Gazebo Committee: The Gazebo Committee has completed the 37th year of free concerts. 2017 Concerts were well-attended and 50/50 raffle sales were back and at an all-time record level of contributions. As the committee looks forward to the 2018 concert series with the lineup of bands completed and ready to for the 2018 season. "Thank you" to the Chairmen Joe Jagiello and to all the Volunteers that make these concerts possible. Let's give a round of applause to these volunteers as well.

Cable TV: Coordinated through the volunteer efforts of Dave Ackerman, Channel 21 (optimum) & Channel 35 (FIOS) continue to provide residents with important community information as well as meeting and event dates for the borough and local organizations.

Planning and Zoning:

Fair Share Housing: Florham Park has now passed the compliancy hearings with the court on our Fair Share Housing elements (aka COAH) for the Boro. This has taken long hours of work with our Planning Board and Council and all of our professionals. This will now keep the Boro safe from Builders remedy law suits until 2024. Thank you goes out to our planning board attorney John Inglesino, John Wyciskala and Borough Planner Robert Michaels.

Our New Construction Official Kevin Guilfoyle was hired to replace retiring Official Steve Jones.

During 2017 the construction department processed 682 new permits, for various construction throughout Florham Park. I must thank Janet Doherty for keeping this department in order.

The Planning Board voted on 34 applications. The Planning board formed a subcommittee to re-examine and update the Borough's Master Plan. There were also 18 Zoning Board applications voted on in 2017.

Thank you to Marlene Rawson the Planning & Zoning Board Secretary for coordinating all of these meetings.

Councilman Scott Carpenter:

DPW:

Retirement of 30 year employees Frank Esposito who served as Director of DPW for 8 years

Promotion Mike Smith to Director

George Stiner 20 + years was promoted to Supervisor

Florham Park Memorial First Aid Squad

Florham Park First Aid Squad ordered a new ambulance. They will be setting up the old rig for tactical/ emergency support, to support Police, Fire and critical incidents.

Florham Park First Aid Squad Responded to 1275 Calls.

CPR Saved a life. Morristown Memorial recognize FP Memorial first Aid squad for early intervention on 4 Stroke victims

New Board installed in December 2017 – Captain Michael Bender, President Kyle Wolfe, Vice Prez Danny Fucito, Corresponding Sec Bernice Thor.

Engineering:

Completed all projects on time and on budget

Managed new Boro hall roof and trim project.

East Madison road improvements

Multiply smaller road improvement projects including Sherbrook, Milton, Joyce ct. Parker ct.

Heritage road drainage improvements

Stobeaues trail

Fire Dept.

Purchased new pick up for the Fire Dept. Money for this purchase from donations

Fire Department Responded to 410 calls for service.

Trained all volunteer members over 3,044 man hours

Police:

The Police Department has undergone a restructuring with the anticipated promotions of a new Chief of Police, a Captain, two Lieutenants and a Sergeant;

The Department has hired a new patrolman, Devin Hinchcliffe and three part time dispatchers to backfill positions vacated due to the retirements of Police Chief Robert Treiber and Dispatcher Daniel Pineiro.

The Department responded to approximately 21,000 incidents in 2017

- 1134 of which were medical related
- The Department maintains fifteen (15) certified EMT's

The Department initiated 673 Community Policing Contacts

Deployed the Radar Trailer 33 weeks out of the year in various residential neighborhoods, resulting in 23 Traffic Studies related to speed on residential streets, followed by 1,282 speed enforcement or target enforcement details.

Florham Park Police made 6084 Motor Vehicle Stops.

A round of applause for all our Police and for all Police here this evening.

Councilman Charlie Malone Jr.

Borough Recognitions/Notables:

In March 2017, 'Tap Into' ranked Florham Park as the 31st Best Town in New Jersey for Families. However, within Morris County, Florham Park was ranked 2nd highest – behind only Chatham Borough (15) and Hanover Township (26) and ahead of Madison # (70).

“Welcome to Florham Park” signs were added to very important Florham Park stretch of Park Ave. Additionally, all welcome signs in F.P. added a hanging sign that reads, “The Honored Home of NY Jets, College of St. Elizabeth and Fairleigh Dickinson University”.

Recreation:

Using grant proceeds, we implemented and built new trail from Stobaeus Park to Briarwood School in the Fall of 2017. We look to have full ribbon-cutting in spring and hope extension of the trail from Stobaeus Parking Lot to Leslie Ave. in next round of county grants.

Our recreation department under the direction of John Timmons has had a very busy year with many sports groups starting and taking registration. As well the Summer Camp and teen experience programs keeps this department very busy.

Municipal Finance:

Worked through the annual budget process and developed presentations to offer a larger transparency to all residents. Florham Park's 2017 Local Tax Rate has been a low 2.1% annualized rate over the past 5 years.

Our CFO and Tax Collector worked through the \$3,9M of 2018 property tax prepayments at year-end of the calendar year from 800 residents considering the Federal Tax Bill Reform. A typical year sees about \$300,000 of prepayments – this was 13 times as much as a typical year.

Municipal Parks and Facilities:

In May, we renamed “Elm Street Park” from its working project title to “Volunteers Memorial Park” in recognition of all those great coaches, mentors, volunteers, first responders, members of the United States Armed Forces and civil servants who have helped shape Florham Park to what it is today through their charitable spirit of volunteerism that is ‘A Community of Volunteers’.

Meet Me in F.P.

Campaign continues to remind local residents of the benefits of shopping local to support businesses in the Town Center. Continue to advocate on behalf of Shopping Local through various measures including 8th Grade Trip Fundraiser specials, most recently.

Near-term possibilities:

Box Car – An off street parking app to help commuters use the train has developed in neighboring towns. We hosted a meeting in December to discuss initial commuter options with Box Car and how this may be available to FP residents on a broader scale.

Councilman Tom Michalowski:

Florham Park Library:

If you have not been in the Florham Park Public Library this year you should stop by. It is looking great. In 2017, thanks to a generous bequest, the Ely Sun Center opened. Where once there was a cave-like storage area there are now 3 bright study rooms for public use.

If you would like some statistics, we can tell you that in 2017 people visited the Library over 90,000 times and over 110,000 items were borrowed. Over 10,000 people attended the more than 500 meetings and events held in the Library meeting spaces. The library bought over 5000 items in 2017, creating a current collection of over 69,300 books, audiobooks, CDs, DVDs, magazines, downloadable E and audio books, video games, and museum passes were all available to visitors.

Florham Park Water Utility

The Borough physically took possession of the Exxon Water Well donated by Rock GW. This new source of water will be on line for our residents use in a short time frame.

A Bond ordinance was approved to provide funds for improvements to the Water Utility in the sum of \$1 million for Water replacement upgrades on Roosevelt Blvd. The construction was just completed before the Christmas holiday.

Water Division personnel responded rapidly and efficiently to a number of water main breaks over this past year. I must thank at this time, Carl Ganger, our Director of both the Water & Sewer, Water Supervisor Alex Zipeto and John Drayton and George Traver and all of the Water Department personnel for safely and efficiently restoring the water in all cases. I must add that water main breaks tend to happen on the coldest nights of the year, this past Saturday night may have been just that...the coldest. A round of applause this great crew...

Florham Park Sewer Utility:

An ordinance was approved to provide funds for improvements to the sewer utility in the sum of \$2,175,000, with \$1 million that came from surplus and

\$1, 175,000M from the sale of bonds. These funds will be used to do upgrades at the Main Sewer plant as well as other areas throughout the borough, including necessary repairs.

On a sad note, we lost Norman Slaby who passed away on 12/3/17 after a heroic battle with cancer. Norman was the Maintenance Supervisor at the Sewer Utility for many years.

Board of Health

Thankfully there were no major events for the BOH this year. I would, however, like to thank all the members of the Board of Health for their dedication to all the issues related to Health in our Town. I would also like to thank the Pequannock Board of Health for their partnership with Florham Park.

As we begin 2018, I am very hopeful for the future of our Town. I, the Council and our hardworking Borough employees continue to strive to make Florham Park the greatest place to live and work. I would like to stress to each Florham Park resident that they can be confident that the Council Members and I will always do our best to keep Florham Park the great town that we all love and respect.

In closing, I would just like to say I am proud of this Borough, proud to be your Mayor and we can all look to the future for more amazing things here in our Town. I would like to thank the entire council for their dedication to this Borough and for their continued support as we move forward in 2018.

God bless the Boro of Florham Park and God Bless America. Thank you.

XIV. Privilege of the Floor

- The Mayor will open the meeting for public comments.

XV. Adjournment:

MAYOR: At this time, I would like to remind anyone who has been sworn in to a Board or Commission this evening to see the Clerk's Assistant Lisa DiTaranto before you leave to sign the Oath of Office Book. I would also like to invite you at this time to stay and share in refreshments directly after the meeting in the conference room next door.

MAYOR: Can I have a motion to adjourn?

Cefolo-Pane: I would like to make a motion to adjourn the 2018 Reorganization meeting.

Malone: So moved.

MAYOR:

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Zuckerman	X				
Germershausen				X	
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski				X	
Total	4			2	

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, RMC
Borough Clerk