



**Florham Park Borough Council**  
**Thursday, October 4, 2018**  
**Work Session Minutes**

Mayor Taylor called the Work Session to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked the Borough Clerk for a roll call:

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

**COUNCIL PORTFOLIO UPDATES:**

Council President Cefolo-Pane provided the following report:

**Senior Citizens Club:**

- Richard Irwin, President of the Club resigned; Vice President Paul Chase is now the President. The Club is reviewing the bylaws and will see if anyone is interested in coming on the Board.
- Held Senior Picnic; it was very nice and was held at the Community Center. The picnic was catered by Natale's.

**Planning Board:**

- A Planning Board Meeting was held. Board voted to proceed with a positive Resolution of Approval for Braemar Homes which will be approved at the next meeting. There will be 49 units, including 10 affordable units. They are all "for sale" units.

### **Gazebo Committee:**

- There is a Gazebo meeting tonight.

### **Councilman Germershausen provided the following report:**

#### **Historic Preservation Commission:**

- Pathways to History was a success at the Little Red Schoolhouse; 90 people came through over the weekend.
- Contractors working on finishing touches to the work being done at the Little Red Schoolhouse
- Historic Preservation plan is about to begin; there is a display at the Library

### **Councilman Carpenter provided the following report:**

#### **Department of Public Works:**

- DPW purchased new paint machines and tillers for the fields; started renovating Borough's Little League fields with our field consultant
- Leaf collection will begin next week
- The Mayor stated that the storm drains on his street are backed up due to people already putting leaves on the street. Mr. Huyler said he will review the Ordinance and see what it says regarding enforcement. Police can send out a 404 alert indicating we will be enforcing the Ordinance against placing leaves in the street.
- DPW is currently working on scheduling their safety classes for 2019

#### **Fire Department:**

- Reappointment of Mike Wamp this evening for the Fire Department
- Pancake Breakfast is this Sunday at Fire Headquarters
- The Board of Engineers has formed a committee to evaluate the Borough Ordinance for officer qualifications; will be compared to State requirements and other municipalities. The Board will pass the recommendations on to the Council. As of this time there isn't anyone beside the current Chief who is qualified according to the existing Ordinance; Board feels it is too restrictive.

#### **Police Department:**

- Working on getting per diem dispatcher; conducting background checks
- Department in the process of hiring a new officer; they received over 200 applications. Physical testing is due to begin sometime in October
- Referendum to hire 3 new SLEO officers will be on the ballot in November
- The promotional process to replace Sgt. Glen Johnstone will begin shortly

### **First Aid Squad:**

- The First Aid Squad is working on staffing issues.
- The wetdown was a success; although slightly less people than they expected; may have an EMS picnic with leftovers

### **Engineering:**

- Milling and paving on E. Madison project will occur within the next two weeks
- NJDOT grant is due tomorrow; Mike Sgaramella has a handle on that.

### **Councilman Zuckerman provided the following report:**

#### **Board of Education:**

- The Board and teachers signed a 3 year contract; both sides happy
- Approved superintendent's goals for next year; if she meets all five goals she will get a bonus

#### **Environmental Commission:**

- The Commission met and are working on their budget for 2019;
- Some new projects for Spring Garden Lake this year.

#### **Municipal Pool:**

- No update at this time.

### **Councilman Michalowski provide the following report:**

#### **Sewer Utility:**

- Black Brook Sewer Force Main break on September 26; was repaired during the evening of October 1. In order to prevent discharge into wetlands and to determine the location of the break, a temporary hose main was installed. Right eastbound lance of Columbia Tpke was out of service from September 29 until October 2.
- Mr. Sgaramella expressed his thanks to the Sewer Dept. for their efforts during this unforeseen event.
- New sludge dome # 2 is complete and operational. Sludge Tank #1 is in process of being drained. Contractor has been granted permission to work Saturdays to get back on schedule. There have been numerous weather delays with regard to this project.
- Beechwood CCTV reports have been analyzed by the sewer consultant; two sections of vitreous clay pipe between manholes need to be replaced on Beechwood Road. A construction work package will be put out for an emergency contract next week.

- Chris Lynch, Jr. started as a new sewer operator on September 24. Also Steve Chan, sewer operator started on October 1<sup>st</sup>; both attending classes to prepare for S-1 test.

**Water Utility:**

- Completed Borough wide lead and copper sampling
- Winterized main pool and baby pool; installed covers
- Winterized pool house and pool kitchen
- Repaired broken water main at 8-10 Rever Drive
- Repaired broken curb boxes at 10 Rever and 12 Northern
- Water Superintendent attended two training seminars
- New water operator, William Williams started work on September 24

**APPOINTMENTS**

**Florham Park Fire Department:**

Councilman Carpenter made a motion to appoint Michael G. Wamp as a regular firefighter in the Florham Park Fire Department effective immediately. The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Germershausen	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone				X	
Zuckerman	X				
Michalowski	X				
Total	5			1	

**RESOLUTIONS OF APPROVAL – CONSENT AGENDA**

- # 18-118 Authorizing Emergency Appropriations for Sanitary Sewer Repairs
- # 18-119 Authorizing Hiring a Hearing Officer for Disciplinary Matter, FPPD

Council President Cefolo-Pane made a motion to approve the Resolutions listed on the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

**Roll Call Vote:**

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Germershausen	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone				X	
Zuckerman	X				
Michalowski	X				
Total	5			1	

**PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:**

Councilman Zuckerman made a motion to pay vouchers in the amount of \$456,682.40. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter

**Roll Call Vote:**

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Germershausen	X				
Carpenter	X				
Malone				X	
Michalowski	X			X	
Zuckerman	X				
Total	5			1	

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting for public comment.

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

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION**

**# 18-116** Authorizing the Governing Body to Enter into Executive Session

Council President Cefolo-Pane read Resolution # 18-116 to authorize the Council to enter into Executive Session.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Council Entered into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m.

Council adjourned the Executive Session and returned to the Work Session at 7:00 p.m.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

On a motion made by Council President Cefolo-Pane and seconded by Councilman Zuckerman the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.  
Borough Clerk  
October 16, 2018