



BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
2020 RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
January 7, 2020

I. Call to Order

MAYOR: Happy New Year everyone and welcome to the 2020 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 2020 Reorganization meeting.

Roll Call:

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams, may I have a roll call of the 2019 Council please?

Mrs. Williams: Council President Carpenter, Councilman Germershausen, Councilman Malone, Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane

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 a meeting notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building as well as the timely publication of the Legal Notice in the official newspaper of the Borough.

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:

Ann Grossi, Morris County Clerk is with us this evening to swear in myself, Councilwoman Santoro and some of our Borough Officials. Thank you so much Ann for being here. Mayor Taylor thanked his family for being there. He acknowledged his wife Janet, his daughter Erin and her boyfriend Brandon and his son Christopher. Also my sister Karen, my brother-in-law Jerry, my brother Peter

Some other guests are:

- Stan Wisnewski, former Councilman and longtime volunteer
- Carol Anderson, former First Lady of Florham Park
- Kelly Disette from Mikie Sherrill's Office
- Laura Ally, Morris County Republican Club
- Sheriff James Gannon
- John Inglesino, Planning Board Attorney and Former Freeholder
- John Wyciskala, Planning Board Attorney
- Freeholder Tom Mastrangelo
- Freeholder John Krickus
- Dr. Steve Caponegro, Superintendent of Schools
- Board of Education President Nick Ritrivi
- Mike DeAngelis, Planning Board Chair
- Ray Sarinelli, Borough Auditor
- Edward Day, my best friend

Also in attendance this evening are all of our Borough Department Heads. Welcome! I also 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 really is so nice to see everyone! I really appreciate you all for being here this evening. It is the collective effort of all of our residents and volunteers that make Florham Park such a fantastic place to live. Before the evening begins, I would like to ask you all to stick around for a while to welcome our new Councilwoman Kristen Santoro after the meeting and enjoy some refreshments.

Councilman Zuckerman could not be here this evening so he will be sworn in at a later date by the Borough Clerk. Also, Councilman Malone could not be here this evening.

Just a reminder 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. Please do not forget to do this.

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 the Chief Orlando and to those members of our Police Dept.

Also with us this evening is a very talented singer, Erin Peters, a student from Hanover Park High School who has very graciously volunteered to sing our National Anthem this evening. Erin has done this for us before and her rendition of the Star Spangled Banner is always beautifully done. Welcome Erin.

Last, but not least, we have Pastor Ron De Groot from Calvary Presbyterian Church who will provide the invocation this evening. Thank you very much for attending!

I know everyone is wondering where Judge DeMarzo is this evening. The Judge had some minor surgery this week so was unable to be here this evening to help us out. Judge DeMarzo sends Happy New Year wishes to the Governing Body and all of our residents and invited guests. We wish him well and a speedy recovery. That being said, Morris County Clerk Ann Grossi has graciously offered to swear in some of our Borough Officials. Thank you so much Ann.

V. INVOCATION:

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

Pastor DeGroot Provides the Invocation.

MAYOR: Thank you Pastor DeGroot. That was wonderful. I appreciate you taking time out of your evening to be here. Calvary is a wonderful part of our Community.

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 them now.

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

MAYOR: At this time, I will ask Erin Peters to come up to the microphone to sing our National Anthem.

MAYOR: Thank you so much Erin. As always, that was just beautiful.

VI. 2019 Old Business

MAYOR: At this time I would ask the Borough Council to address some old business from 2019.

➤ PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Germershausen: I would like to make a motion to approve the current bills list from December 2019 in the amount of \$245,437.17.

Cefolo-Pane: I will second that motion.

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

Roll Call: Carpenter, yes; Germershausen; yes Malone, absent; Cefolo-Pane, yes

➤ MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

MAYOR: We have the Minutes of the December 19, 2019 meeting for approval

Germershausen: Motion to approve the December 19th minutes.

Zuckerman: Second

Roll Call: Carpenter, yes; Germershausen; yes Malone, absent; Cefolo-Pane,

MAYOR: Seeing that the 2019 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?

Carpenter: So moved.

Germershausen: 2nd

MAYOR: All in favor.
All: AYE

PRESENTATION of Gift to Councilman Michalowski

Mayor Taylor:

At this time I would like Tom Michalowski to come up to the dais. Tom completed his last term at the end of this year. I would like to recognize Tom for all of his hard work on the Borough Council. He served on the Council since April 2013, when he was appointed, then ran a successful election campaign in 2015 and was elected to serve again in 2016. Tom also served as the Council President in 2016. He did a great job as liaison to Municipal Court, Sewer Utility, Water Utility, Board of Health, 4th of July Committee and the Library Board of Trustees. Tom has not only been a council member he has been an active volunteer on our 4th of July Committee for many years. Tom, on behalf of Myself and the Borough Council I would like to thank you for your service to the Borough and present you with this lamp as a small token of our appreciation. (Applause)

MAYOR: I will now turn this portion of the meeting over to Council President Carpenter.

VII. 2020 NEW BUSINESS:

Swearing in of 2020 Mayor & Council:

Council President Carpenter: Now that our 2019 business is finished we will now continue on to our 2020 New Business. We will proceed with the swearing in of our Mayor and Councilwoman Kristen Santoro. Councilman Zuckerman could not be here this evening but will be sworn in at a later date by the Borough Clerk. Please join me in congratulating them. (Applause)

At this time I would ask County Clerk Ann Grossi to step up to swear in Mayor Taylor.

County Clerk administers oath of office to Mayor Taylor. Mayor Taylor returns to the dais and Council President Carpenter turns the meeting back over to the Mayor.

Carpenter: Thank you. I will now turn the meeting over to Mayor Taylor.

MAYOR: Thank you everyone for your support. At this time I would like to congratulate our two recently elected Council members. First, Kristen Santoro and next Bill Zuckerman. I look forward to working with both of them in the coming years. As noted by Council President Carpenter, Councilman Zuckerman will be sworn in by Mrs. Williams later this week. I will now ask Councilwoman-elect Santoro to come up to be sworn in by the County Clerk.

Ann Grossi administers the oath of office to Councilwoman Santoro and Councilwoman Santoro takes her seat at the dais.

MAYOR: Councilwoman Santoro Congratulations, it is my honor to serve the Florham Park citizens with you.

VIII. ROLL CALL OF THE 2020 COUNCIL MEMBERS:

MAYOR: Mrs. Williams may I have a Roll Call of the 2020 Governing Body Members please?

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

NOMINATION OF 2020 COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MAYOR: At this time, I call for a motion of the Council for a nomination for the 2020 Council President.

Carpenter: I would like to make a motion to nominate Councilman Charles Malone to serve as Council President for 2020

Cefolo-Pane: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

MAYOR: I would like to take a moment to thank Councilman Carpenter for his invaluable support during the past year. I would also like to congratulate Councilman Charlie Malone on his new appointment as Council President. I look forward to working closely with him this year.

Borough Council 2020 Portfolio Assignments:

MAYOR: I will now announce the portfolio assignments for the Council members for 2020:

Council President Charles Malone

Council Liaison for:

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

Councilman Charles Germershausen

Council Liaison for:

Historic Preservation Commission, Board of Chosen Freeholders, Senior Housing

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

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane

Council Liaison for:

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

Councilwoman Kristen Santoro:

Council Liaison for:

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

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:

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

- Patrice Visco, Tax Collector, 4 Year Term, expiring 12/31/23
- Patrice Visco, Tax Search Officer, 1 year term, expiring 12/31/20
- Cindy Phillips, Pension Certifying Official 1 year term, expiring 12/31/20
- Sheila Williams, Search Assessment Officer, 1 year term, expiring 12/31/20

Cefolo-Pane: I will second the motion

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Mayor: At this time I would like those officials to step up to be sworn in by County Clerk Ann Grossi.

Mayor: Thank you Ann for your assistance tonight. You are always such a good friend to Florham Park. Let's give a round of applause to our Morris County Clerk Ann Grossi. (Applause)

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 Mrs. Williams can swear you in.

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
- Edward O'Donnell – Deputy Coordinator
- Mike Cannilla - Deputy Coordinator
- Kevin Guilfoyle – Deputy Coordinator
- Mike Smith – Deputy Coordinator
- Mike Sgaramella – Deputy Coordinator
- Phil Infantolino – Deputy Coordinator
- Paul McGann – Deputy Coordinator

Carpenter: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Santoro: I will second that motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Mayor: Will all of those named members please come forward to be sworn in by Mrs. Williams

Internal Affairs Officers:

Carpenter: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Santoro: I will second the motion.

Mayor: I hereby make a motion to appont the **following as INTERNAL AFFAIRS OFFICERS** for a term of 1 year:

- Lieutenant Karl Svenningsen
- Lieutenant Phillip D'Alessio
- Sergeant Christopher D'Ambola
- Sergeant Brian Ford
- Sergeant Brian Sampson

Police Matrons:

Mayor: I hereby make the following recommendations to appoint the following individuals as Police Matrons in the FPPD for a term of 1 year:

- Kaitlin Berger
- Carmela Cooke
- Teresa Cross
- Gianna Salvatore

Mayor: Will all of those named members of the Police Department please come forward to be sworn in by Mrs. Williams

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:

- Paul McGann, Chief
- Scott Carpenter, Deputy Chief
- Jeffrey Zuendt, Jr., Asst. Chief
- Steven Balassone, Asst. Chief
- Daniel Bundschuh, Rescue Captain

Santoro: 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: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Carpenter, abstain; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Mayor: Congratulations to our new Chief Paul McGann and all of the Fire appointees. Also, a thanks to Scott Carpenter who served as Chief for the past five years. All of our volunteer fireman do such a great job! Lets give them a round of applause. (applause) Will all of those members step up to be sworn in by Mrs. Williams

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:

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| Jane Margulies | 4 - year term expiring 12/31/2023 |
| Carmen Cefolo-Pane | 3 - year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| Jeff Hegan | 1 - year term expiring 12/31/2020 |
| Sid Dvorkan | 1 - year term expiring 12/31/2020 |
| Jeffrey Noss | 4 - year term expiring on 12/31/2023 |

Alternates:

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| Joseph Guerin | 1 - year term expiring 12/31/2020 |
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Zoning Board:

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

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| Jason Jensen | 4 - year term expiring on 12/31/2023 |
| Rick Zeien | 4 - year term expiring on 12/31/2023 |

Alternates:

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| Matt Engle | 2 - year term expiring on 12/31/2021 |
| Michael T. Shivietz | 2 - year term expiring on 12/31/2021 |

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

Gemershausen: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Mayor: Will those Board members please step forward to be sworn in by Mrs. Williams

Board of Health:

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

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| Michael Moore | 3 - year term | expiring 12/31/22 |
| Dr. Raymond Holmes | 3 - year term | expiring 12/31/22 |

Alternates:

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| Kathleen Solar Greene | 1 - year term | expiring 12/31/20 |
| Jo-Anna Finegan | 1 -year term | expiring 12/31/20 |

Santoro: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Carpenter: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Library Board of Trustees:

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

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| Dr. Louis Gaydosh | Trustee | 5 - year term expiring 12/31/24 |
| Thomas Michalowski | Trustee | Fill unexpired term – expiring 12/31/23 |
| Jane Stumpf, | BOE Designee | 1 - year term expiring 12/31/20 |
| Kristen Santoro | Council Liaison | 1- year term expiring 12/31/20 |

Gemershausen: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Carpenter: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Historic Preservation Commission:

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

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| Mark Barros | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| John Winters | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| Jonathan Golden | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |

Gemershausen: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Santoro: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone; yes, Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Environmental Commission:

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

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| Sid Dvorkan | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| Matt Toto | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| Marie Cumin | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
| Bill Zuckerman | 1-year term expiring 12/31/2020 |

Alternate:

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| Brian Bill | 3- year term expiring 12/31/2022 |
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Carpenter: 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: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Carpenter, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

MAYOR: Will all appointees from those Boards and Commissions please step forward to be sworn in by Mrs. Williams

After all officials are sworn in, the Mayor States:

MAYOR:

That concludes the oath of office portion of the meeting. Thank you Mrs. Williams.

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 in Florham Park. Without you, Florham Park would not be the special place it is today. That being said, we are looking for some Volunteers for the Gazebo Committee, the 4th of July Celebration and some other areas. Please contact me if you are interested in getting involved.

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,
Jenn Pulice, Ron Bauer, Marie D'Amico, Mike Farrell, John Sugg, Sal
Cirrincione, Jessica Cox, John Huelbig

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

Germershausen: I will second that motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Town Center Task Force:

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

Michael Prokop, Chair
Carole Anderson, Steve Jensen, Michael Mehl, Lou Nucci,
Bruce Peterson, Paul Peterson

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

Santoro: I will second that motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes;
Zuckerman, yes; Santoro, yes

Community Television:

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

John Timmons, Joseph Jagiello

Santoro: 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: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, yes; Santoro, yes

Recreation Committee:

MAYOR: I recommend the following 2 year appointments to the Recreation Committee, which terms will expire 12/31/2021:

Scott Carpenter
John Miscia
Bruce Peterson
Michael Murphy

Santoro: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Germershausen: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

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 Suebert

Santoro: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Cefolo-Pane: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Municipal Pool Advisory Committee:

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

Richard Zuckerman, Frank Newman, Myron Kleban
Steve Zuckerman, Laura Sugg

Carpenter: I move for confirmation of these appointments.

Germershausen: I will second the motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Affirmation of Current Borough Employees

MAYOR: I recommend the continued employment of all Borough Employees who were on the Payroll on December 31, 2019, except for any employees whose service with the Borough may have been terminated at or on December 31, 2019

Cefolo-Pane: I will move that motion.

Carpenter: Second.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

Announcement of 2020 Meeting Dates:

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 2019 meetings are as follows:

Regular Monthly Public Council Meetings in 2020 will be held in the Municipal Building, 111 Ridgedale Avenue at 6:30 p.m. prevailing time on the following dates:

January 23, February 20, March 19, April 30, May 28, June 18, July 16,
August 13, September 24, October 22, November 19, December 10

Regular Council Work Sessions for 2020 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 2020 are as follows:

February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, September 5, October 3, November 7

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 are as follows:

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.

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

Germershausen: I will second that motion.

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

MAYOR: At this time I will ask our Borough Clerk to notify the proper newspapers of the meeting dates for 2020

Williams: So noted.

XII. Resolutions – Consent Agenda

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

Carpenter: 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 as follows:

- # 20-1 Authorizing Depositories for Borough Funds
- # 20-2 Authorizing Signatures for Checks, Drafts & Withdrawals
- # 20-3 Authorizing 2020 Borough Holiday Schedule
- # 20-4 Authorizing Appointment of a Pension Certifying Officer
- # 20-5 Authorization for Transfers of Overpayments
- # 20-6 Authorization of Professional Service Contracts
- # 20-7 Authorization of Interest Rates for Delinquent Taxes
- # 20-8 Authorization of the Official Newspapers of Florham Park
- # 20-9 Notice of Official Newspapers to Receive Meeting Notices
- # 20-10 Charges for Mailing Meeting Notices
- # 20-11 Appointment of Insurance Fund Commissioner

- # 20-12 Petty Cash Account Re-affirmation
- # 20-13 Appointing a Public Agency Compliance Officer
- # 20-14 Appointing 2020 Community Development Advisory Committee
- # 20-15 Appointing 2020 Office of Emergency Management Coordinators
- # 20-16 Appointing Internal Affairs Officers for 2020
- # 20-17 Appointing Police Matrons for 2020
- # 20-18 Authorizing a 2020 Temporary Budget
- # 20-19 Authorizing a Risk Management Consultant
- # 20-20 Authorizing the appointment of a Tax Collector
- # 20-21 Accepting Grant Funds for the Florham Park Police Department
- # 20-22 Authorizing a Per Diem Tax Consultant in the Finance Department

Santoro: Second

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

Roll Call: Malone, absent; Germershausen, yes; Carpenter, yes; Cefolo-Pane, yes; Zuckerman, absent; Santoro, yes

XIII. Mayoral Address to the Citizens

Mayor Taylor will address the citizens of Florham Park as follows:

Good Evening and welcome to the Annual 2020 Re-Organization meeting. Thank you all for taking time out of your busy schedules to attend this evening.

I would like to thank all of the family members, visitors, dignitaries and friends who have joined us this evening to welcome in the New Year for the Borough of Florham Park. Please stay after the meeting to enjoy some refreshments and to meet and greet members of the Council and some of our great employees.

I am truly honored and thankful that the residents of our great town have re-elected me to this post as your Mayor. As I begin my new term as Mayor, I do not take this honor lightly. This is a labor of love for me. I would like to first thank my wife Janet and my children Erin and Christopher for their continued support. It does take time away from family but they are very understanding of this commitment. Please know that I, along with the council members, continue to work every day to do our absolute best for all the residents of Florham Park as we move forward together.

As we once again change the calendar to a New Year, I must look back and reflect on Florham Park in 2019. We continue to see growth as a community and some of the expansion has changed the way I remember Florham Park. In many ways the Planning Board, the Zoning Board and the Town Center Task Force do their very best to read through the applications and come up with the best plan that we can present as a community while still preserving the rights of the land holders. Progress will continue long after the current council members and I have moved on.

Speaking of expansion in our town, I will be hosting a meeting on January 22nd at 6:30 PM in this room to give an overview of Florham Park's plans for our mandated Fair Share housing past, present and future. This will be a time when residents can come to an informal meeting and listen to our professionals and our planner on our plan of action regarding Fair Share housing in this community and the surrounding areas.

At this point in my address I would like to take a minute to congratulate Thomas Michalowski for his years of service as a volunteer with the many hats including serving on this council. Tom and I have already spoken about continuing his volunteer efforts on one of our boards moving forward.

(Applause)

I would also like to congratulate Kristen Santoro on her first term as our newest Councilwoman and congratulate Bill Zuckerman on his successful re-election to the council. I would also like to Thank Scott Carpenter for serving as my Council President this past year! With all I have had going on this year Scott has been a tremendous help and I thank him for keeping us moving while I was out of town on business.

As we look back on 2019 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 and I believe that everyone in this room would agree.

I cannot convey to you enough how proud I am to be a part of our continued success. As we move into 2020 and the governing body continues to work very hard to tell the story of our successes to all the residents of our community. We will be launching the latest issue of the Florham Park Update very shortly. This issue will contain a section that discusses our affordable housing mandates. With that said, a big thank you goes out to Council President Carpenter and Councilwomen Cefolo-Pane along with Suzanne Herold and all of our Department Heads for all the time and input generated for this effort. We hope that this update will be educational to all that receive it.

This information will help aid our residents on issues and increase the awareness of just how fiscally responsible we are as a municipality and how this governing body will address the future as we work forward together.

We continue to work very closely with the Board of Education as partners on issues that will affect the schools and the Borough. Administrator Bill Huyler, Superintendent Dr. Caponegro, BOE facilities director Phil Infantolino and I have been meeting quarterly to increase our joint efforts to ensure that both our entities are on the same page. A most recent topic was the discussion of Fair Share Housing and how it relates to the school age population of children.

The Board of Education and the Borough of Florham Park are walking in lock step together as we move forward under the guidance of Dr. Caponegro. Beginning this school year Chief Orlando and the Board of Education have worked as a team to put together the Class 3 SLEO Officers team. The officers have been deployed in Brooklake, Briarwood and Ridgedale schools and serve as the front line at the schools.

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 are all of our dedicated Employees of the Borough of Florham Park. I would like to wish all the best to all of our employees and thank them for a job well done. (Applause)

I also would like to wish at this time my heartfelt appreciation to the administrative staff in Borough Hall, Our Administrator Bill Huyler. Also our Borough Clerk Sheila Williams, who puts this meeting together every year. Our Clerk wears many hats from the Election Official, Website Administrator, Secretary to the Mayor and Governing Body, Licensing Official, Custodian of Records and so many other things too numerous to name. In addition to that, she keeps me in line every day. I would also like to thank Deputy Clerk Maryann Lang and Lisa DiTaranto for their hard work working under Mrs. Williams. Let's give a round of applause for our Borough Employees.

Also kudos to the Police Department under the direction of Chief Joseph Orlando, our retiring Captain Michael Voitcu, and all our police officers here tonight and all of the newest police officers. We will be swearing in some new ranks and a Patrol Officer at the January 23rd meeting.

I would also like to thank all the employees of DPW under the direction of Mike Smith, supervisors Andrew Williams and George Stiner. This team of DPW workers are very hard working and dedicated to keeping our town looking and running the best as it can. Thank you for your hard work.

We have some changes going on at the library with the retirement of our Librarian Joan Hipp. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Joan and wish her all the best in her retirement.

I would also like to welcome our new director Nancy Shah who has taken over as librarian at the Florham Park Library. Nancy would you mind standing up to be recognized. (Applause)

I would like to recognize the Water department and Sewer department directed by Mike Sgaramella, with water superintendent Alex Zipeto, and acting sewer plant manager Joseph DePasquale. We have had some challenges this year and these team members were here to work through all of them. As late as yesterday the water department, DPW workers Alex Zipeto and Director Mike Sgaramella were out working to repair and restore water service to our residents at the Mac-Cali building following a large water main break on Columbia Turnpike. Let's give them a round of applause.

Our Recreation department directed by John Timmons and his assistant Tammy Verderber continue to grow new programs and ways for our young people to stay involved and participate in many sports related programs. I am very glad that we have the skating rink set up for the season, it seems to be working well in keeping that "S" word (snow) away from Florham Park for the most part!

I would also like to thank our Construction department, with Construction Official Kevin Guilfoyle and Zoning Officer Janet Doherty and the great staff in that department that continue to work to finish development projects. Florham Park has been very busy this past year with new development and these dedicated employees continue to work every day very hard to keep things moving forward.

In our engineering department directed by Mike Sgaramella, Mike and his team have successfully paved 12 roads this year. Crescent Road and Beechcrest which were the two that were talked about so much. Mike, thank you and your entire team for all your hard work.

Our CFO Patrice Visco has continued to bring in a budget that is on time and on budget and I thank her for her hard work. Also thanks to our dedicated tax Assessors office John Murray, Jim Gibbs these gentlemen are amazing at what they do.

I would also like to recognize Planning & Zoning Board secretary Marlene Rawson. Both the Zoning Board and the Planning Boards have been extremely busy this year and I thank Marlene for keeping the volunteer members moving forward. If there is anyone else I have missed... I apologize, but thank you all for a great job well done.

Some long time employees in the Police Department have or will be retiring in the next few weeks. I would like to thank our Police Captain Michael Voitcu, Lieutenant Scott Bartell and Lieutenant Matthew Gatzke for their many dedicated years of service to this community. I would like to give a big round of applause to all the employees that are here this evening. (Applause)

Thank you to our Volunteers on the Fire Department and First Aid Squad. These volunteers are the people in your neighborhood who serve on the front line 24 hours a day 7 days a week. Unfortunately, Florham Park had three home fires this year. The residents of one of the homes were rescued by being pulled out of a second story window by neighbors, Police officers, Firemen and First Aid members. Thank God nobody was injured and that includes their dogs. All of those individuals involved in those rescue efforts deserve a big round of applause. (Applause)

I would to thank our Recreation volunteers, from those on the Recreation Committees, coaches, parent coordinators and all others who assist in our many sporting activities here in Florham Park and East Hanover in 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. At this time I ask all members here this evening to please stand for a round of applause. (Applause)

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. We do this in spite of all the costs that continue to increase year after year. I am very proud of my team on the finance side directed by our CFO Patrice Visco. We continue to receive the blessing from Moody's with an Aaa bond rating. Florham Park continues to be one of a very few municipalities in New Jersey to hold this rating. When you consider the fact that Florham Park is one of the few of 565 municipalities in New Jersey who has held the Aaa bond rating for so many years, you realize what a great accomplishment it is. Thank you's go out to my team members, Jon Rheinhardt, Ray Sarinelli, Patrice Visco, Bill Huyler, council Liaison Charlie Malone, Councilman Scott Carpenter and all the Council members that worked so hard to achieve this goal. We have a great financial team in place and have an aggressive plan in place as we move forward into the next five plus years.

We lost some of our great seniors this past year. I would like to mention them and then ask for a moment of silence when I complete the list.

- Evanne Bauer (December 2018)
- Mary Dirlam
- Jim Dirlam
- Peter Sena
- Maureen Brodeur
- Art Thomas
- Frank Tassielli
- Carl Patetta
- Thomas Kane
- Michael Bendick
- Frank Lazorik
- Gertrude Naue
- Bernie Wetter.

God Bless these departed citizens and their families.

Finally, as we begin 2020, I am very hopeful for the future of our Borough. I, the Council Members as well as 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 very best to keep Florham Park the greatest town that we all love and respect.

In closing, I would just like to say I am proud of this Borough and proud to be your Mayor. I look forward to the next four years to serve each and every one of our residents and business partners. We can all look to the future for more amazing things to come here in Florham Park. I would like to thank the entire Council for their dedication to this Borough and for their continued support as we move forward in 2020.

God bless all of our armed forces and retired military here this evening and the Boro of Florham Park

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 Borough position, 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?

Carpenter: I would like to make a motion to adjourn the 2020 Reorganization meeting.

Cefolo-Pane: So moved.

MAYOR: All in favor.

Everyone: Aye.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, RMC
Borough Clerk
January 20, 2020