



**Borough of Florham Park
Borough Council Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2022**

Mayor Taylor called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked the Clerk if the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act had been met? Deputy Borough Clerk Maryann Lang stated that adequate notice of the meeting was provided to the public in accordance with State guidelines.

Mayor Taylor asked the Borough Clerk for a roll call as follows:

Governing Body Member	Present	Absent
Mayor Taylor	X	
Council President Carpenter	X	
Councilman Germershausen	X	
Councilman Malone	X	
Councilman Zuckerman	X	
Councilwoman Santoro	X	
Councilman Marchal	X	

Additional Borough Officials present were Deputy Borough Clerk Maryann Lang, Administrator William Huyler and Borough Attorney Joseph Bell.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Taylor led the Salute to the Flag.

Opening Statement – Open Public Meetings Act

Mayor Taylor asked the Borough Clerk if the requirements of the Open Public Meetings act had been met. Mrs .Lang stated the Borough was in compliance with the requirements.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Mayor Taylor asked for a motion to approve the following meeting minutes:

- Minutes of the February 3, 2022 Work Session
- Minutes of the January 20, 2022 Work Session

Councilman Germershausen made a motion to approve the minutes as stated above.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

Council Portfolio Updates:

Council President Scott Carpenter had the following update:

Department of Pubic Works

- DPW winter projects continue; moving along with Phase 1 of painting the Police Department, interrogation rooms and some outside hallway rooms. The 2nd phase will include the Record Room
- Tree trimming continues and they are monitoring for Emerald Ash
- Pot holes are filled as needed
- DPW received a utility vehicle that was purchased with auction monies

- Residents have been adapting to the card system at the compactor. After 6 weeks in existence, approximately 60% of residents are using the cards. The remainder are directed as to how they can obtain their cards

First Aid Squad

- The Squad is still bringing on new members.
- They would like to thank the Council for the stretcher donation
- They are on track to get licensure by early summer

Engineering:

- Columbia/Park Street Intersection Improvement Project- Awaiting delivery of traffic signal components. We are being told possibly end February or beginning of March.
- Briarwood Road & Intersection Improvements- Awaiting delivery of traffic signal components. No word on delivery yet.
- Elm Street Road and Drainage Improvement Project- Design of the project is 90% complete. Display boards being created for a future public meeting for the Elm Street residents in February. Project is scheduled to go out to bid next Spring NJDOT grant funding is involved (\$411,700).
- Drainage Study at Farr Lane & Murphy Circle- GPI Consultants will complete Hydraulic Study with Plan depicting flood elevations. This will present the relationship of flood elevations for different storm events with the fixed floor elevations of 27 Farr Lane which has a history of flooding at its lower floor. Easement descriptions have been forwarded to the Borough Attorney for creation of Easement Agreements between the Borough and two nearby residents that have a drainage ditch within their property.
- Starting to finalize Road Capital Projects for 2022. A large portion of the capital will be designated to the Elm Street Improvement Project. Plan on using the Morris County Cooperative for paving in the Spring.

Police Department:

Police Department accreditation is underway. They have completed the audit cycle, the department policies and procedures. Their site visit will be on February 23. Once completed our Police Department will be only a handful of Municipal Police Departments that have received the NJ State accreditation. This will be the fourth year in a row that we received this.

Councilman Germershausen had the following update:

Historic Preservation Commission:

- Next meeting will be held on February 23 via Zoom
- Resolution for Part two of the Grant will be on the next meeting agenda.

Morris County Commissioners

- Morris County Board of Commissioners introduced a Grant Program for small businesses that were affected by COVID1-19. This is first come first served. They can apply at morriscountysmallbusinessgrant.com

Councilman Malone had the following update:

Finance:

- Not too much to report. Budget Intro scheduled for March 17th

Recreation:

- Councilman Malone asked Recreation Director Mr. Timmons if he had anything to report.

Mr, Timmons stated:

- He would like to thank Dan Bundschuh for getting him back to the Community Center. They now have the ability to print compactor cards there
- We are preparing for summer camp and all paperwork has gone out to the spring clubs.

Councilman William Zuckerman

Senior Citizens:

- Councilman Zuckerman stated that he attended the Senior Club's Executive Session at the February Meeting. The Club turned 60 this year and they are preparing a program.
- AARP had no meeting in February and didn't schedule one for March; however, one meeting scheduled for April 19.

Environmental Commission:

- There is a meeting scheduled for February 22nd.

Board of Education

- The next meeting will be held February 28th.

Municipal Pool

- Two Ordinances are on the agenda for tonight; one regarding fees and the other regarding repairs to the pool.

Councilwoman Kristen Santoro provided the following Update:

Planning & Zoning Boards

- Councilwoman Santoro stated that the Planning Board had a meeting on 2/14. They had a few site plan waivers. One for a dentist office and also for 23 Vreeland Road. There was one for addition of parking spaces at Sun Valley Plaza.
- We also continued discussion on the 2022 Zoning Code although we were light a few members that night and they decided to continue discussions on it at the next meeting on the 28th. We hope to finalize it for this calendar year.
- All members should have received the 2021 audit. There are 16 applications on there; and ½ of them were for pools. They are trying to ease the burden of those applications.

4th of July:

- No meetings for 2022 have been set yet.
- We are looking for more volunteers and are tossing around some ideas regarding the parade and are planning on having the full traditional Florham Park Celebration. We will advertise in the next newsletter.

Construction:

Councilwoman Santoro asked Construction Officer Kevin Guilfoyle to provide a Construction update:

Mr. Guilfoyle stated:

- They are working on redesigning construction fees; when anyone comes in now they will know exactly what they are paying for.
- Council President Carpenter stated that he thought the Council was going to get a report outlining zoning changes. Mayor Taylor stated that he would send out a report once the changes were done.
Council President Carpenter said he wanted to see where the changes came from and how they ended up.
Councilwoman Santoro stated that this was actually the first time she was part of the discussion as liaison. She will see if there is something Catherine can provide; she believes it is a redlined document.

Councilman Joshua Marchal provided the following update:

Library Board:

- The Board had 2nd Annual Community Conversation. The Board was thankful that the Mayor and myself attended the February 15th session. Councilman Marchal will attend the remaining sessions where they will discuss civic engagement and volunteerism.

Gazebo Committee:

- The Committee held a meeting on February 2nd; Councilman Marchal attended
- The Committee is currently working on planning the upcoming concert series.
- Councilman Marchal stated that he had found 2 people that would like to join the Committee.

Board of Health:

Per Tom Cantisano, Covid numbers are down significantly in NJ. The Governor dropped the mask mandate effective March 7th. It will be up to the schools if they want to drop the mask mandate.

Water Utility

- Well Rehabilitation Project- Materials and equipment which have been delayed are slowly being delivered. Contractor installing as soon as they arrive. Council to consider resolution for Change Order #1 which is the separation of the SCADA(Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) system. Still on schedule for

the Well to be fully operational by 3/31/2022 (Milestone #1) but will be manually operated just like the Borough's existing wells. SCADA for the entire water system which provides for off-site monitoring and control will be installed by 5/31/2022 (Milestone #2), and the emergency generator will be installed by 8/31/2022 (Milestone #3).

- Well Transmission Project- Contractor will address punch list items likely between now and the Spring.
- Water Meter replacement project- National Metering Services responsible for installing the 1,442 permanent residential meters. Approximately 1,004 meters were replaced by National Metering between March and 12/31/2021. The Contract has ended and is now being closed out. The Florham Park Water Department will be responsible for the replacement of the remaining 438 meters. The Water Department will begin reaching out to residents that require their water meter changed next month. There are still approximately 148 accounts that made no effort to contact National Metering Services for meter replacement after four National Metering Services notification letters, one Borough notification letter, and placement of door placards by Water Department. We are at point where a decision has to be made to issue violations with penalties for these accounts.
- Water Tank Rehabilitation Design Project- Updating leases continues and will likely span over several months and could affect income. Lease Amendments have been sent out to all cellular carriers. Joe Bell, Patrice, and myself will be meeting with the Livingston Administrator to discuss their dealings with the cellular carriers during their tank rehabilitation projects.
- Municipal Pool- We have received one repair quote for the planned early Spring repairs which include re-caulking the pool and repairs to the balance tank. Awaiting another quote.
- Daily and Weekly Duties completed. Repaired three water main breaks at 125 Rockwood, 161 Rockwood, and 115 Cathedral. Repaired main valve and hydrant valve for the Brandywyne community and will be billing them for work. Replaced water meter at 97 Ridgedale to address possible pressure issues. Prepared year end NJDEP Reports.

Sewer Utility

- Colliers Engineers continues to work on the 3rd Clarifier and Bar Screen design. Sewer Plant Generator design scope consisting of adding new natural gas generator to Sewer Plant, relocating one Plant Generator to replace generator at Well #4, and keeping other Plant Generator as backup still being discussed.
- Carrigan Lane/Burnet Road Sewer and Sewer Pump Station project- Treatment Works Approval Permit was received from the NJDEP just prior to Christmas. GPI Consultants will now finalize plans for construction for bid in late Winter or

early Spring. Coordination with the utilities continues to provide gas and electric service to the proposed pump station.

- Beechwood/Elmwood Cured-In-Place Lining Project- CDM obtaining latest pipe videos produced by the Boro's Sewer Department to assess. Sewer Utility is CUBING the area in order to obtain pipe videos, but has been delayed due to weather.
- Daily and Weekly Duties completed.

Borough Administrator William Huyler:

Borough Administrator Huyler stated that Megan Mink would like to do a town wide garage sale again this year. The date would be April 30th from 9 am – 1 pm.

ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING – FINAL ADOPTION

22-1 Amending Chapter 134, Section 12, Entitled “Fees”

Council President Carpenter read a summary of Ordinance # 22-1 and moved for its adoption. He stated that the Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 20, 2022 as follows:

BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
COUNTY OF MORRIS STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE # 22-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 134, SECTION 12 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, ENTITLED, “FEES”

Mayor Taylor asked Deputy Clerk Lang to read a summary of the legal notice.

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

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

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

Council President Carpenter read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

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

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

Mayor Taylor declared that the Ordinance was finally adopted and asked the Borough Clerk to print the notice of adoption in the proper places

➤ # 22-2 Amending Chapter 250, Section 24 Entitled “Visibility At Street Intersections (Sight Distance)

Council President Carpenter read a summary of Ordinance # 22-2 and moved for its adoption. He stated that the Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 20, 2022 as follows:

ORDINANCE # 22-2

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 250, SECTION 24 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, ENTITLED, “VISIBILITY AT STREET INTERSECTIONS (SIGHT DISTANCE)”

Mayor Taylor asked Deputy Clerk Lang to read a summary of the legal notice.

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

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

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

Council President Carpenter read the following resolution and moved its adoption:

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

The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

Mayor Taylor declared that the Ordinance was finally adopted and asked the Borough Clerk to print the notice of adoption in the proper place

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION:

- # 22-3 Amending & Supplementing Section 34 of Chapter 238 Entitled “Vehicles and off and Traffic-Stop Intersections”

Council President Carpenter read the following Ordinance # 22-3 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #22-3**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING SECTION 24 OF CHAPTER 238 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC - STOP INTERSECTIONS”.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

Council President Carpenter stated that the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on February 17, 2022. He further stated that the Council would consider this Ordinance for a second reading and final passage on March 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. prevailing time. He asked the Borough Clerk to publish the proper notice and to post the ordinance on the bulletin board in the Municipal building.

Council President Carpenter moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Malone

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

➤ # 22-4 To Revise Chapter 216, Municipal Pool Registration Fees

Councilman Zuckerman read the following Ordinance # 22-4 by title as follows and moved to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE # 22-4**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 216 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK TO REVISE REGISTRATION FEES FOR THE 2022 FLORHAM PARK MUNICIPAL POOL

The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

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Councilman Zuckerman moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

➤ # 22-5 To Provide For General Capital Projects, Enumerated with-Pool
Capital Improvement Fund

Councilman Zuckerman read the following Ordinance # 22-5 by title as follows and moved to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE # 22-5**

**AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS ENUMERATED
WITHIN FOR THEBOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS AND TO
PROVIDE FOR THE FUNDING THEREOF**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

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The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

➤ # 22-6 Authorizing Fully Funded Open Space Ordinance

Councilman Malone read the following Ordinance # 22-6 by title as follows and moved to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE # 22-6**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR FUNDING FOR AN UPDATED OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PLAN ENUMERATED WITHIN FOR THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE FUNDING THEREOF

The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

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The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

22-7 Authorizing Revising of Summer Program Fees

Councilman Malone read the following Ordinance # 22-7 by title as follows and moved to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE # 22-7**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SUMMER PROGRAM FEES FOR THE YEAR 2022 IN THE
BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

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The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

CONSENT AGENDA –RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Council President Carpenter made a motion to approve the presented Resolutions # 21-31 thru #22-44 via a single motion of the Council. He asked the Borough Clerk to read the Resolutions into the record. All Resolutions listed below are appended hereto:

- # 22-31 Approving the Proposal of Millenium Communications Group
- # 22-32 Authorizing an Agreement Between Verizon, NJ, Inc. and Florham Park Borough
- # 22-33 Authorizing a Change of the Monetary Petty Cash Value for Florham Park Borough
- # 22-34 Agreement with Johnson & Johnson, McKesson, Cardinal Health and Amerksourcebern to Resolve Claims in the Opiod Crisis
- # 22-35 Authorizing A Dedication By Rider for Self-Insurance
- # 22-36 Authorizing a Temporary Municipal Budget
- # 22-37 Authorizing an Agreement with Wyndham Hotel
- # 22-39 Authorizing an Overpayment of Taxes Schedule
- # 22-40 Authorizing a Tax Lien Redemption; Apex Capital Holdings LLC
- # 22-41 Authorizing an Emergency Inter-Connection Agreement with American Water, Inc. & Florham Park
- # 22-42 Authorizing Exxon Change Order
- # 22-43 Authorizing the Annual Agreement between Florham Park Borough and the Board of Education
- # 22-44 Authorizing COAH Loan, 140 Vanderbilt Way, Pina

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Total	6				

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Councilman Malone read a summary of the current bills list and made a motion to approve it in the amount \$5,389,383.29. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Malone	X				
Marschal	X				
Total	6				

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public.

The following members of the public wished to be heard:

Jennifer McDonald, 26 Afton Drive

Mrs. McDonald stated:

I respectfully request that I be able to read my statement without being interrupted

She further stated:

That Borough Resolution 20-132 Section 3E states that public comments, questions, etc. shall be limited to four minutes per person. At the meeting held on January 22, 2022, after speaking for 17 seconds I was told by Mayor Taylor that there was no reason to continue talking. For the record, I did have further questions and comments to make. I am a woman, a mother, a lifelong resident of Florham Park and a Taxpayer. I am concerned with the increasing safety of pedestrian residents, especially the children coming and going to Ridgedale Middle School on Afton Drive where there is extremely poor lighting and no sidewalks. I was shocked, insulted, embarrassed and highly offended by the disrespectful, condescending, misogynistic verbal harassment I received. I do not believe anyone on the dais would accept it if their mother, daughter or niece or any family member that would come before this Council that was treated in the manner that I was at the last meeting. I feel the only reason I was spoken to in this manner is because of my age and the fact that I am a woman. No person in power should speak to someone in the manner that makes them feel like less of a person. It is my opinion that if I was a man I would never have been spoken to in that way. As a result I got very upset and lost my train of thought. To disparage a resident who took the time and effort to come to a meeting and bring something to your attention is unfair and unprofessional. This is why some of the residents I have spoken to while getting signatures for my petition that they had tried to get more lighting and sidewalks, but gave up. Disenfranchising and depriving a resident the right to speak should not be accepted and I will not accept it going forward. I feel a formal apology is in order. Thank you. I would also like to comment on the safe walking tips on the local access channel. It says to make direct eye contact with a driver, which can't be done because it is dark and there is no lighting for the driver to even see you. A resident at 19 Afton Drive, said he is nervous to back out of his driveway after 4 pm. The resident at 12 Afton told me they put extra lighting on their property, 30 Afton wants brighter lights.

Mayor Taylor responded and said he formally wanted to apologize for any characterization that I demeaned, disparaged in any way. The fact of the matter is that we spoke about this in its entirety at another meeting. We have also discussed this up and down with JCP&L about how long this project would take and the dollars needed to complete such a project. I did not mean to interrupt or demean you because you are a mother or resident of Florham Park. I had already talked to you at a meeting, a Christmas gathering. We were looking into this a do worry about the safety of the children and want to make it safe. I apologize for this.

Edward Lefty Grimes

Mr. Grimes has a 501c3 that fights for the disabled. He spoke about areas in Florham Park like Cheshire Home and Walgreens that had handicapped spaces blocked with things like dumpsters and snow. He thanked the Chief of Police for taking care of it.

Mr. Grimes asked about medical marijuana, if the Mayor and Council was against that. Mayor stated that they are not against it for medical reasons.

Chris Almeida, 15 4th Street, Dover

Mr. Almeida said he was a former resident of Cheshire Home and had spoken to the Chief of Police about maintaining handicapped spots there. He said it's very important. He thanked everyone for their time.

Doreen Cali, 26 Elmwood Road

Ms. Cali stated she had been a clerk for 25 years. She was confused when she was supposed to speak during the Ordinances. She is not used to Zoom meetings. She was told Brooklake Road was designated as a country road. She didn't see anything about that in the Ordinances? Was this from the forefathers? There is poor lighting. Last meeting there was someone in front of me who hit a deer. I don't think one farm shouldn't make it a country road. All we are asking for is an update to lighting on roads.

Mayor Taylor stated that he did believe the forefathers called it a country road, but we are working with JCP&L to correct that.

Maria Rebman, - no address

Wanted to also thank the Council and Police for their attention to handicapped spots. She also mentioned the problem about people that die not handing back placards. Mayor Taylor stated the he knows that sometimes the police will ask for ID when parked in the spots.

John Winters, 52 Brooklake Road

Mr. Winters asked why Master Plan is changing?

Mayor Taylor stated it is for recreation; needs to be done every 10 years.

Mr. Winters asked about Ordinances 22-4 and 22-5.

Mr. Zuckerman stated the first Ordinance is for the Pool Fees and the 2nd Ordinance is for pool repairs. It is being taken out of Pool capital account.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

It was regularly moved by Councilman Germershausen and seconded by Councilman Zuckerman that the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 p.m. ,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.
Borough Clerk
March 10, 2022