



BOROUGH COUNCIL
Borough of Florham Park
Thursday, January 19, 2023

Regular Session Minutes

Mayor Taylor called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 6:31 p.m.

Mayor Taylor asked Borough Clerk Danielle Lewis to call the roll as follows:

Governing Body	Present	Absent
Carpenter	X	
Germershausen	X	
Malone	X	
Santoro	X	
Marchal	X	
Cicarelli	X	
Mayor Taylor	X	

Additional Borough Officials present were Administrator William Huyler, Borough Clerk Danielle Lewis, and Borough Attorney Joseph Bell.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

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

- Minutes of the December 15, 2022 Meeting

Council President Malone 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				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Cicarelli			X		Not on Borough Council at the time
Total	5		1		

BOARD OF HEALTH APPOINTMENTS

Councilman Marchal made a motion to appoint Dr. David Adinaro and Dr. Sonya Youngren to the Board of Health. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

Roll Call Vote:

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

BOROUGH COUNCIL PORTFOLIO UPDATES

Council President Malone:

Finance Committee:

The 2023 Budget books will be distributed to the Borough Council by February 1. The planned introduction of the 2023 Budget is for the March 16, 2023 Borough Council meeting and public hearing and adoption will be scheduled for the April 20, 2023 Borough Council meeting.

There will be a Spring Auction in May to sell some old and obsolete trucks and equipment.

Recreation:

Council President Malone recognized the Florham Park-East Hanover Falcons for fundraising efforts for Buffalo Bills safety Damar Hamlin's charity.

Councilman Germershausen:

Board of Commissioners:

The Reorganization meeting was held on January 6 and Commissioner John Krickus is the 2023 Director.

Historic Preservation Commission:

The first meeting will be held on January 25 at 7:00pm. They will discuss 2023 goals and Little Red Schoolhouse opening dates.

Councilman Carpenter:

Engineering:

Columbia Turnpike/Park Street Intersection Improvement Project – Waiting for service wire to be removed

Elm Street Road and Drainage Improvement Project – Work will commence in the spring of 2023. They received a New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) grant in the amount of \$411,700.00.

The Engineering department is working on the plans and specifications for the Dellwood, Puddingstone and Rustic sidewalk and re-pavement project. They are looking to submit to NJDOT for approval in early 2023 for spring/summer construction. They have applied to NJDOT for a construction grant in the amount of \$226,000.00.

Police Department:

Lieutenant D'Alessio is retiring on April 1, 2023.

Dispatcher Colette Murphy will be resigning her full-time position in the near future and staying on as a part-time dispatcher. The new dispatcher is currently per diem and being trained to be the full-time replacement.

The State passed legislation required schools to perform behavioral threat assessments on students and staff involved in any school-related threat. There is an increase in Police presence at the schools as of late but this is an unfunded mandate.

Department of Public Works:

Approximately \$31,688.00 has been saved by using the compact cards at the Environmental Center despite the increase in cost.

The new dump truck will be delivered in April. A total of 50 trees were removed by the Department in 2022, which does not include any trees removed by contractors.

New trucks were ordered for the Roads department.

Florham Park Update:

Suzanne Herold has requested entries for the next edition of the newsletter.

Councilwoman Santoro:

Planning Board & Zoning Board:

Reorganization meetings were held and several applications have been received already.

4th of July Committee:

They are looking at fundraising events and volunteer outreach and the theme should be finalized in the next few weeks.

Building:

Construction Official Kevin Guifoyle shared that 80 permits were issued in December and 1,226 issued all year. There were 411 inspections in December and about 7,254 for the entire year of 2022.

The Del Webb project is wrapping up. LCS (Delaney at the Green) will be complete in April or May. Palmont at Florham Park is in the framing stage.

Councilman Marchal:

Library:

There are a lot of events being planned for 2023 and foot traffic is up twenty-percent.

Water:

Well Rehabilitation Project – Water department is continuing training for Well #5 operation. The SCADA installation and testing is complete. The chlorine line was replaced with a stainless steel line by the contractor.

Well Transmission Project – The project is complete.

Water Meter replacement project - There are approximately 72 residents remaining that need their water meter replaced. Meter replacement fines will go out with the next water bill.

Water Tank Rehabilitation Design Project – No update

Florham Park Pool – Awaiting warmer days to empty the pool, clean the hydrostatic valves and pressure test the main drain.

Sewer:

Sewer Plant Flood Hazard Area and Wetland Permit applications have been submitted to New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). The Flood Hazard Area Verification has been received from NJDEP and we are waiting on wetland delineation.

Colliers Engineers continues with generator, bar screen, and clarifier designs.

Beechwood/Elmwood Cured-In-Place Lining Project - CDM completed the project specifications and it should be ready for bid in early to mid-2023 after the 2023 Budget is adopted.

Board of Health:

Updates can be located on the Florham Park Health department website including information on COVID-19 variants.

Gazebo Committee:

The Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage dinner will be held on March 18, 2023 from 7:00pm to 11:00pm and the proceeds will be used for the Summer Concert Series.

Councilman Cicarelli:

Hanover Park Regional District:

Kids Helping Kids was honored last night at Hanover Park and Mr. Cicarelli introduced himself to Superintendent Maria Carrell.

The next Board meeting will be held on February 8, 2023 at 7:30pm.

Florham Park Board of Education:

The next school district meeting will be held on January 30, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Environmental Commission:

Has been exchanging emails with the Chair Mary Orloff and the next meeting will be on January 24, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Grants & Open Space:

Will receive contact information to provide updates on this.

Florham Park Pool:

Plans to meet with Richard Zuckerman.

Senior Citizens Club:

Reviewed the recent newsletter and will meet with Paul Chase again.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

- #23-01** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park in the County Of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 250 Zoning, Section 30.1, Zoning Permit Fees, of the Borough Code

Councilwoman Santoro read the following Ordinance #23-01 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING**

CHAPTER 250 ZONING, SECTION 30.1, ZONING PERMIT FEES, OF THE BOROUGH CODE

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

Councilwoman Santoro stated that the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on January 19, 2023. She further stated that the Council would consider this Ordinance for a second reading and final passage on February 16, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. prevailing time. She asked the Borough Clerk to publish the proper notice and to post the Ordinance on the bulletin board in the Municipal building.

Mayor Taylor moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

#23-02 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 108, Dogs, Article II, Licenses, Section 108-2, Fees, Subsection A, of the Borough Code

Councilman Marchal read the following Ordinance #23-02 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-02**

**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 108, DOGS, ARTICLE II, LICENSES, SECTION 108-2, FEES,
SUBSECTION A, OF THE BOROUGH CODE**

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

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Mayor Taylor moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Council President Malone.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

#23-03 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 96, Cats, Section 96-3, License Requirements, Subsection G, License Fee Schedule, of the Borough Code

Councilman Marchal read the following Ordinance #23-03 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-03**

**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 96, CATS, SECTION 96-3, LICENSE REQUIREMENTS,
SUBSECTION G, LICENSE FEE SCHEDULE, OF THE BOROUGH CODE**

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

Councilman Marchal stated that the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on January 19, 2023. He further stated that the Council would consider this Ordinance for a second reading and final passage on February 16, 2023 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.

Mayor Taylor moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

#23-04 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending Chapter 216, Section 216-32, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Florham Park

Councilman Cicarelli read the following Ordinance #23-04 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-04**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 216, SECTION 216-32, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK

The motion was seconded by Councilman Marchal.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

Councilman Cicarelli stated that the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on January 19, 2023. He further stated that the Council would consider this Ordinance for a second reading and final passage on February 16, 2023 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.

Mayor Taylor moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			

Total	6			
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APPOINTMENT OF PER DIEM DISPATCHER

Michael Primamore was formally sworn in as the new per diem dispatcher for the Police department by the Borough Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Council President Malone made a motion to approve the presented Resolutions via a single motion of the Council except for Resolution #22-34, which was pulled. He asked the Borough Clerk to read the Resolutions into the record. All Resolutions listed below are appended hereto.

- #23-26 **EXTENDING FLORHAM PARK MEMORIAL FIRST AID SQUAD’S CERTIFICATION FOR THE YEAR 2023**
- #23-27 **AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF OFFICER DANIEL BUNDSCHUH**
- #23-28 **AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF OFFICER FRANK PIETROPINTO**
- #23-29 **AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF A PER DIEM DISPATCHER**
- #23-30 **AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE 1033 PROGRAM**
- #23-31 **ESTABLISHING FEES FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY THE OFFICE OF BOROUGH ENGINEER**
- #23-32 **AUTHORIZING AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO ACTION DATA SERVICES FOR PAYROLL**
- #23-33 **AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED BALANCE**
- #23-34 PULLED **AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT**

The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	6			

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

Council President Malone read a summary of the current bills list and made a motion to approve it in the amount \$12,657,541.73. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	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:

John Winters, 32 Brooklake Road:

Mr. Winters asked if Ordinance #23-01 through 23-03 were all increases in fees and wanted to know if Resolution #23-31 was an increase as well. He was advised that the Ordinances and Resolution in question were all increases.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND REGULAR SESSION ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Taylor asked Councilman Carpenter for a motion to approve **Resolution #23-35, a Resolution of the Mayor and Borough Council Authorizing an Executive Session**

Councilman Carpenter moved for approval of Resolution #23-35.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Malone	X				
Santoro	X				
Marchal	X				
Cicarelli				X	
Total	5			1	

It was regularly moved by Council President Carpenter and seconded by Mayor Taylor that the regular session of the meeting be adjourned at 7:00 p.m. for executive session.

Danielle M. Lewis, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk
January 19, 2023