



BOROUGH COUNCIL
Borough of Florham Park
Thursday, March 16, 2023

Regular Session Minutes

Mayor Taylor called the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

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

- Minutes of the February 16, 2023 Regular Meeting
- Minutes of the March 2, 2023 Work Session

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

The motion was seconded by Councilman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X 03/02		X 02/16	
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X 02/16		X 03/02	
Total	5			1

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS

Resolution #23-50:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF SERGEANT MICHAEL NEILAN IN THE FLORHAM PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

The motion to approve the promotion of Sergeant Michael Neilan to Lieutenant was made by Councilman Carpenter and seconded by Councilman Marchal.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X			
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

Lieutenant Michael Nielan was sworn in by the Borough Clerk.

Resolution #23-51:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE PROMOTION OF OFFICER THOMAS CIASULLO IN THE FLORHAM PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

The motion to approve the promotion of Officer Thomas Ciasullo to Sergeant was made by Councilman Carpenter and seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X			
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

Sergeant Thomas Ciasullo was sworn in by the Borough Clerk.

Resolution #23-52:

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF DANIEL HEDDEN IN THE FLORHAM PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

The motion to approve the appointment of Daniel Hedden was made by Councilman Carpenter and seconded by Councilman Marchal.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X			
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

Officer Daniel Hedden was sworn in by the Borough Clerk.

Sergeant Frank Pietropinto and Lieutenant Daniel Bundschuh were both sworn in by the Borough Clerk. These promotions went into effect February 1, 2023.

COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) ORDINANCE - INTRODUCTION

#23-05 An Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40a:4-45.14)

Council President Malone read the following Ordinance #23-05 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-05**

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS TO
ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

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	5			1

Council President Malone stated that the above Ordinance was introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on March 16, 2023. He further stated that the Council would consider this Ordinance for a second reading and final passage on April 20, 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 and make copies available to members of the general public.

BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

Council President Malone read the title of Resolution #23-53 into the record and moved for approval.

#23-53 Authorizing the 2023 Municipal Budget to be Read by Title

Councilman Carpenter seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen				X
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

Council President Malone read Resolution #23-54 into the record in full and moved for approval.

#23-54 Introduction of the 2023 Municipal Budget

Councilwoman Santoro seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen				X
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

Council President Malone read the title of Resolution #23-55 into the record and moved for approval.

#23-55 Authorizing Governing Body Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission’s “Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records on Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964”

Councilman Marchal seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen				X
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

#23-06 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park in the County Of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing Tenure of Office for Michael Smith, as Director of Public Works

Councilman Carpenter read the following Ordinance #23-06 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-06**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING
TENURE OF OFFICE FOR MICHAEL SMITH, AS DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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	5			1

#23-07 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Amending the Code of the Borough of Florham Park to Require Registration of Businesses and Rental Units

Councilwoman Santoro read the following Ordinance #23-07 by title as follows:

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-07**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
FLORHAM PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE
CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK TO REQUIRE REGISTRATION OF
BUSINESSES AND RENTAL UNITS**

Mayor Taylor asked the Borough Council for consensus on the certificate fee amount.

Councilwoman Santoro made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading and a certificate fee amount of \$10.00 per certificate.

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	5			1

#23-08 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Accepting Donation of Block 1401, Lot 5.01, Located at 165 Park Avenue

Councilwoman Santoro read the following Ordinance #23-08 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-08**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ACCEPTING DONATION OF BLOCK 1401, LOT 5.01, LOCATED AT 165 PARK AVENUE THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MALONE.

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	5			1

#23-09 An Ordinance to Provide for General Capital Projects Enumerated Within for the Borough of Florham Park, County of Morris, and to Provide for the Funding Thereof

Council President Malone read the following Ordinance #23-09 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-09**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS 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	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen				X
Malone	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

#23-10 An Ordinance to Provide for General Capital Projects at the Sewer Utility Enumerated Within for the Borough of Florham Park, County of Morris, and to Provide for the Funding Thereof

Councilman Marchal read the following Ordinance #23-10 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-10**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR GENERAL CAPITAL PROJECTS AT THE SEWER UTILITY ENUMERATED WITHIN FOR THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE FUNDING THEREOF

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	5			1

#23-11 An Ordinance Establishing the Schedule of Service Charges of the Florham Park Water Utility for the Borough of Florham Park, County of Morris

Councilman Marchal read the following Ordinance #23-11 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-11**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE SCHEDULE OF SERVICE CHARGES
OF THE FLORHAM PARK WATER UTILITY FOR THE BOROUGH OF
FLORHAM PARK, COUNTY OF MORRIS**

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	5			1

#23-12 An Ordinance Establishing Salaries and Wages for Non-Union Full-Time Employees of the Borough of Florham Park for 2023

Council President Malone read the following Ordinance #23-12 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-12**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR NON-UNION
FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK FOR
2023**

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	5			1

#23-13 An Ordinance Establishing Salaries and Wages for Non-Union Seasonal, Hourly, Temporary, Per Diem and Part-Time Employees of the Borough of Florham Park for 2023

Council President Malone read the following Ordinance #23-13 by title as follows and made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-13**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR NON-UNION
SEASONAL, HOURLY, TEMPORARY, PER DIEM AND PART-TIME EMPLOYEES
OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK FOR 2023**

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	5			1

#23-14 An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, Authorizing the Advertisement for the Sale/Assignment of Certain Lease Interests and Easements on Property Owned by and Located in the Borough of Florham Park for Sale by Public Auction

Council President Malone read the following Ordinance #23-14 by title as follows. He noted that this is exploratory and may present the opportunity to keep water rates lower in the future.

Council President Malone made a motion to approve the Ordinance for Introduction on First Reading.

**BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK
ORDINANCE #23-14**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE SALE/ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN LEASE INTERESTS AND EASEMENTS ON PROPERTY OWNED BY AND LOCATED IN THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK FOR SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION

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	5			1

Ordinance #23-06 through #23-14 were introduced and read by title at this Council meeting held on March 16, 2023, and passed on first reading.

The Council will further consider the above-referenced ordinances for second reading and final passage at the meeting to be held on April 20, 2023 at 6:30pm.

The Borough Clerk will publish the proper notice thereof and post the Ordinances on the bulletin board in the municipal building and make copies available to members of the general public, upon request.

CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Council President Malone made a motion to approve the presented Resolutions 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.

#23-56 AUTHORIZING THE PROVISION OF A LOAN PURSUANT TO THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASER OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT

#23-57 REDEMPTION OF TAX TITLE LIEN

#23-58 APPOINTING 2023 POOL MANAGER TO THE BOROUGH OF FLORHAM PARK MUNICIPAL POOL

#23-59 AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SECOND AMENDMENT OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORHAM PISTOL & RIFLE CLUB, INC

#23-60 AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT AWARD FOR LIQUID SLUDGE HAULING FOR THE FLORHAM PARK SEWER UTILITY – CONTRACT #FP23-04

The motion was seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X			
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro			X	
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	4		1	1

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

Council President Malone read a summary of the current bills list and made a motion to approve it in the amount \$3,539,989.80. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Santoro.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Malone	X			
Germershausen				X
Carpenter	X			
Santoro	X			
Marchal	X			
Cicarelli	X			
Total	5			1

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public.

The following members of the public wished to be heard:

David Fox:

Asked about municipality taxes and the Mayor said that a new estimated tax bill will go out in August.

CFO Patrice Visco said new bills will go out late July to early August.

ADJOURNMENT

It was regularly moved by Councilman Carpenter and seconded by Councilwoman Santoro that the meeting be adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Danielle M. Lewis, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk
March 16, 2023