



BOROUGH COUNCIL
Borough of Florham Park
Thursday, August 24, 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 Jim Pryor.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Taylor led the pledge of allegiance and requested a moment of silence in honor of Jim Gibbs, Borough employee in the Tax Assessor's office who passed away suddenly in July of 2023.

The Borough Clerk stated that all requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met.

APPOINTMENT OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS

Councilman Carpenter made a motion to appoint Austin Ariza and Matthew Dirlam as volunteer firefighters for the Florham Park Fire Department. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cicarelli.

Roll Call Vote:

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

Borough Clerk Danielle Lewis administered the Oath of Office to Matthew Dirlam. Austin Ariza could not attend the meeting and will be sworn in at a later date.

MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

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

- Minutes of the June 15, 2023 Regular Meeting

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

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	5			1

ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING & ADOPTION

- #23-16** An Ordinance of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Florham Park in the County Of Morris, State of New Jersey, to Provide for General Capital Projects Enumerated Within for the Borough of Florham Park, County of Morris, and to Provide for the Funding Thereof

Councilman Germershausen read Ordinance #23-16 by title.

Borough Clerk Danielle Lewis advised that the public notice was published for this Ordinance and it was posted in accordance with the law.

Mayor Taylor opened the public hearing on this Ordinance.

No one wished to be heard. Public hearing was closed.

Councilman Gemershausen made a motion to approve the Ordinance for adoption and 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

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

#23-17 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 213, “Stormwater Control” of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Florham Park

Councilman Carpenter read Ordinance #23-17 by title and moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

Councilman Germershausen 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

#23-18 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 Ordinances of the Borough of Florham Park, Part II: General Legislation, to Add a New Chapter, Chapter 217, Titled “Privately Owned Salt Storage”

Councilman Carpenter read Ordinance #23-18 by title and moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

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

#23-19 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 250-105(C)(4) of Article XV “Off-Street Parking, Loading and Unloading” of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Florham Park

Councilwoman Santoro read Ordinance #23-19 by title and moved for approval of the Ordinance on first reading.

Councilman Germershausen 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

Ordinance #23-17, #23-18 and #23-19 all passed on first reading and will be considered for adoption at a Council meeting scheduled for September 21, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. The notices will be published in the newspaper and the Ordinances are posted in the proper places.

CONSENT AGENDA – RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Councilwoman Santoro then made a motion to approve the presented Resolutions via a single motion of the Council.

- #23-137** AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND (JIF)
- #23-138** AUTHORIZING HIRE OF PER DIEM DISPATCHER (RESIGNATION FROM FULL-TIME)
- #23-139** AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR ASSISTANT TO THE ZONING OFFICIAL
- #23-140** AUTHORIZING HIRE OF ADDITIONAL POOL EMPLOYEE
- #23-141** AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR A DWI SPECIAL COURT SESSION
- #23-142** AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND - WATER
- #23-143** AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND – SEWER
- #23-144** AUTHORIZING TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND
- #23-145** AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT WITH NJDEP FOR SPRING GARDEN LAKE PROJECT
- #23-146** AN EMERGENCY RESOLUTION FOR THE POOL UTILITY, NTE 3% OF TOTAL CURRENT AND UTILITY BUDGETS
- #23-147** APPROVING 2023 SIDEWALK CAFÉ LICENSE FOR ANGELINA'S TRATTORIA
- #23-148** APPROVING 2022 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
- #23-149** CERTIFICATION OF ANNUAL AUDIT

The motion was seconded by Councilman Cicarelli.

Roll Call Vote:

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

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS

Councilman Marchal read a summary of the current bills list and made a motion to approve it in the amount \$5,416,370.92. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cicarelli.

Roll Call Vote:

Council Member	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Carpenter	X			
Germershausen	X			
Malone				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:

John Winters:

Mr. Winters asked questions regarding Resolutions #23-17, #23-18, #23-19, and #23-144.

Mr. Winters asked the Mayor and Council if they will be looking into energy aggregation options.

Mayor Taylor advised that the rate is currently 1.09% and that Florham Park is in a Morris County area cooperative with 14 other municipalities, with Morris Township interested in joining as well.

Mr. Winters requested an update on the new signage for the Library and discussed the drain in the back of the Little Red Schoolhouse.

Carol Baldino:

Ms. Baldino asked for status on the installation of sidewalks on Hanover Road.

Borough Engineer Mike Sgaramella stated that the County is still reviewing the project.

ADMINISTRATOR HUYLER

Administrator Huyler requested Council approval for Halos for Angels' Fright Factor Fundraiser during the month of October, 2023. Said event is subject to approval by the Building department. There was unanimous consent by the Borough Mayor and Council to approve the event request.

Mr. Huyler informed the Council that a meeting was held to discuss the potential installation of a new audio and video system in the meeting room.

ADJOURNMENT

It was regularly moved by Councilman Carpenter that the meeting be adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Danielle M. Lewis, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk
August 24, 2023