



Florham Park Borough Council
Thursday, January 22, 2015
Work Session Minutes

Mayor Taylor called the work session to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked the Borough Clerk for a roll call:

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

Mayor Taylor announced that the Council was going to go into Executive Session prior to the Work Session and asked for a motion to approve Resolution # 15-29 authorizing the Council to move into Executive Session.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane made a motion to approve Resolution #15-29 authorizing the Council to move into Executive Session for matters of contract negotiation and potential litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman.

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Malone	X				
Germershausen	X				
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Carpenter	X				
Michalowski	X				
Zuckerman	X				
Total	6			0	

Council entered into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

Councilman Zuckerman made a motion to return to the Work Session, seconded by Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane.

On a motion made by Councilman Zuckerman, and seconded by Councilwoman Pane, Council returned to the open Work Session at 6:59 p.m.

All Council in favor.

Council Portfolio Updates:

Council President Malone provided the following report:

- The budget process continues; encouraged Council members to meet to go over the budget lines in their portfolios if they haven't done so already.
- Recreation Committee meeting will be held after this meeting; will cover a number of topics that will be brought back to the Council following the meeting

Councilman Germershausen provided the following report:

- Met with DCS Director Carl Ganger; Florham Park Water Conservation Plan has been completed and working on drought management plan. Still working on several sections of it which will be completed by next Friday.
- Carl is currently developing a wellhead protection Ordinance

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane:

- Since the last Council meeting a Planning Board meeting was held: Change of Tenancy for Broadway Deli which is now Oink and Moo.
- Asco was in for site plan approval for their location on Park Avenue
- Gazebo Summer Concert Series: Will have 7 concerts this year; selected 10-12 bands that we listed in priority. One is David Aaron Band who is sponsored by a donor that covers the entire cost of the concert. This is the 35th Anniversary of the Concerts. This year we will be honoring the Fire Department as the Gazebo exists because of the Fire Department. Andy Piccone acted as the general contractor for the project.

Councilman Carpenter provided the following report:

- First Aid Squad
 - Had a re-election; elected Molly Docherty as a captain
 - Ted O'Donnell is the president; Ed Franko will stay on as Vice President
 - Squad going to re-bid the work on their building in the spring

- Fire Department:
 - Structure fire at 27 Riverside; positive response from firefighters; over 20 firefighters responded and no mutual aid was needed
 - Oven fire at Northgate; great response on that one too
 - Annual Association cocktail party will be held this weekend at Hamilton Park

- Police Department:
 - One appointment of the regular meeting agenda for tonight

- DPW:
 - Frank Esposito and the DPW are currently doing a “no snow” which seems to be working well so far

Councilman Michalowski provided the following report:

- Library is now a Hot Spot; routers tend to get overloaded so this should help with that
- New copiers in the library; more efficient

Councilman Zuckerman provided the following report:

- Municipal Pool – Ordinance on tonight for first reading
- Historical Preservation Commission met last night with the architect who was approved by the County. Working on renovations to the roof and a 5-year plan for projects that the Commission would like to see done

Mayor Taylor stated the members of the Morris Area Energy Cooperative were in attendance to outline their program. He introduced Wendy Molner and Alan Zakin and John Dunn.

Mr. Dunn Stated that Wharton is the lead agency. They are currently visiting towns like Riverdale, Lincoln Park and other towns in Morris County to present their energy aggregation program. They already have 12 towns on board in Passaic County. A handout was provided to the Governing Body outlining the program.

Discussed the fact that this is a residential program that they believe can save residents money and is an opt-out program. Residents would automatically be in the program unless they opt out or are already with a third party supplier. They would like the Borough to pass the Ordinance at the 2/26 meeting so they can get moving on it. After their presentation the Council had several questions. The Council stated they think there should be some community outreach; i.e. going to senior center, etc. to explain the program.

Alan Zakin also introduced himself and said he will be helping in publicizing the program.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public.

Public Comments:

John Winters, 32 Brooklake Road

- Asked if phosphates being discharged from the Sewer Utility had anything to do with phosphates in the water. Director of Community Services Carl Ganger stated that they did not.
- Asked why lights are on at Elm Street when nobody is on the field; Rec. Director John Timmons stated the lights should always be off prior to 10:00 p.m.
- Mr. Winters stated that the sewer bill should be based on usage.

Seeing no more members of the public who wished to be heard, Council President Carpenter closed the meeting to the public.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:30 p.m. the Council returned to open session. On a motion made by Councilman Malone and duly seconded, the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.
Borough Clerk
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