



Florham Park Borough Council
Thursday, October 2, 2014
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	

Florham Park Little League Baseball Recognitions

Mayor Taylor welcomed athletes from Florham Park Little League to the meeting. He mentioned that this evening we have some Florham Park Little League summer all-star team baseball players with us to be recognized for their achievements this past summer. I would like to say congratulations and to let you know how proud I am of each and every one of you and what you accomplished this year. I am going to ask our Recreation Liaison Councilman Malone to come and say a few words about your accomplishments and present you with a certificate.

Councilman Malone asked the Coaches to come up and assist him with presenting the certificates to the kids.

Thank you Mr. Mayor and welcome to all our Florham Park players who are being recognized this evening. I would like to start out by mentioning that we would have liked to have gotten the teams to attend an earlier meeting; however, summer and back-to-school nights prevailed.

Let's start off with our 11 year old players: Again, congratulations to you all. This group of players are the 1st District Champs in 35 years for Florham Park Little League. They faced many obstacles, such as beating a difficult Randolph team twice in order to win. They had a great ceremony at the gazebo to send them off to the State Sectionals with a very respectable showing. At this time I would like the coaches of this team to come up and help me present the awards.

Our 8 year old players: Congratulations to you. This group won their New Providence Green League tournament in a final championship game that was called due to darkness and resumed the following night. At this time I would like the coaches of these players to come up and help me present the awards.

Councilman Carpenter was also recognized by the Coaches of Florham Park little league for his many contributions. He was presented with a plaque.

Mr. Carpenter stated that it was a joy to work with the baseball programs. He encouraged people to get involved and volunteer in Florham Park. He said the only way to effect change and see that the right thing always gets done is to volunteer. He stated it was great to work with the Baseball Board; although they do not always agree, they produce a great product. He thanked everyone for recognizing him.

Councilman Malone asked for a round of applause for all of the players and thanked everyone for attending.

RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

#14-103 – Authorizing a Bid Award for Roadway Drainage Improvement Project, Felch Road, Cross Lane, and Leslie Avenue to Jo-Med Contracting Group.

Council President Carpenter made a motion to approve Resolution # 14-103, authorizing a bid award for a Roadway drainage improvement project for Felch Road, Cross Lane and Leslie Avenue to Jo-Med Contracting Corporation in the amount of \$86,057.51. He read a summary of the Resolution and asked the Borough Clerk to read the resolution in its entirety into the official record. So moved.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

Vote:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski	X			X	
Zuckerman					
Total	5			1	

Council Portfolio Updates:

Council President Carpenter provided the following report:

- Police Department – Police Department doing an ISO re-rating; potential reduction in insurance rates is possible.
- First Aid Squad – Bay construction postponed until the spring due to inclement weather coming up
- First Responder picnic a success
- Fire Dept. – Also involved in ISO; hose and ladder tests performed and all things passed with minor repairs and tune-ups to be done. New hoses need to be purchased in the upcoming year; was represented in the five-year plan

Councilman Germershausen provided the following report:

- Spoke with Carl regarding water rates; hopefully at next meeting we will have more information
- Contacted Sheriff Rochford regarding the SLAP program regarding getting help at Spring Garden Lake walking trails
- Attended Christina Ramirez’s husbands funeral

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane:

- Tonight is the first Gazebo Meeting for planning for the next season; still need volunteers. If anyone is interested please let me know.

- Planning Board - Rock GW requested a special meeting on October 22, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in connection with their amended GDP application for Corporate Suites
- Seniors – Executive Board Meeting this week; a copier was purchased from the YMCA and they would like to sell it and wanted to know the procedure. Borough Administrator Huyler stated that if it belongs to the Senior’s they can do what they want with it; if it belongs to the Borough they need to follow the Borough’s protocol for that. Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane stated she would follow up with Dennis Callahan as he was president at that time.
- Seniors would like to get their information into a calendar of events.
- Would like Wi-Fi at the Senior Center? Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane said she doesn’t think they have it now.
- Tentatively, December 17th trip is being planned to Sacred Heart Cathedral if they can get enough people, busing etc.

Councilman Malone provided the following report:

Recreation:

- Held a successful ceremony at the fields to receive the check in the amount of \$250,000 from NY Jets; Back-up quarterback Matt Simms attended. We had a great time and they did a nice job and Matt Simms addressed the players well.
- FP Little League held their 2nd Annual Charity Softball event in the spring and donated \$750.00 each to the Make Some Noise Foundation and Florham Park Athletic Foundation. All done from softball proceeds. In the 1st Annual Charity event \$700.00 was donated to each of the following: Florham Park Fire Department, First Aid Squad and Florham Park PBA.

Councilman Zuckerman provided the following report:

Historic Preservation:

Historic Preservation working on getting cost estimates for repairs to the Little Red Schoolhouse for items such as the roof, windows, doors, etc. They are going to put it all together and send it to the Council.

Talked to Grant Manager for the Dodge Foundation, she would like more information.

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Councilman Malone moved for payment of the current bills list in the amount of \$1,900,751.81. The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen.

VOTE:

Council Member	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent	Comments
Carpenter	X				
Germershausen	X				
Cefolo-Pane	X				
Malone	X				
Michalowski	X			X	
Zuckerman					
Total	5			1	

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:10 p.m., 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
October 10, 2014