

Florham Park Borough Council
Tuesday, October 4, 2011
Work Session Minutes

Mayor Eveland 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 Eveland	X	
Council President Huyler	X	
Councilman Germershausen	X	
Councilman Boy	X	
Councilman Taylor	X	
Councilman Wikstrom		X
Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane	X	

Mayor Comments:

Mayor Eveland asked if there were any items for the next work session that the rest of the Council should be aware of.

Councilman Boy stated that he, Administrator Nancy Gage and Attorney Joe Bell had a meeting to discuss the Smoke Free Ordinance. Councilman Boy indicated that he would like to discuss it at the next meeting; although he isn't sure if they would be ready to discuss it at that point.

Councilman Boy asked what the status of the Community Center was.

Mayor Eveland stated that the Borough is waiting to see what kind of FEMA monies the Borough would get before a decision could be made. He indicated that there are two options. One option would be to repair the Community Center, although it is really a mess down there. The second option would be to rebuild it at the new Recreation Area on Elm Street. Once the amount of assistance has been determined, a decision can be made.

Administrator Nancy Gage stated that the estimate to clean up the Community Center is approximately \$70,000. Blue Acres may have funds available as well, although it may be a long while before a determination is made on that.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane indicated that someone was denied access to a local business with a service animal. She asked if there was anything the Council could do.

Administrator Nancy Gage indicated we do not have authority on this.

Mayor indicated that although we don't have authority on the issue, we can somehow give them a friendly reminder.

Councilman Huyler stated that we should probably put something on the Borough Website regarding this.

Borough Clerk Sheila Williams stated she will post something on the Board of Health portion of the website.

Councilman Taylor indicated that the Borough should put something like a banner in Florham Park indicating that we were voted #6 in New Jersey as one of the best places to live. The Council thought this was a great idea. Councilman Taylor asked if anyone would like to handle that task. Borough Clerk Sheila Williams indicated she would work on it. Once a mock-up is received from Fast Signs, she will send it out for the Council's comments.

Councilman Germershausen indicated that while signing his vouchers he noticed there was a refund to Ellsworth Havens and wasn't sure why the Borough was writing a check to him.

Administrator Nancy Gage stated that they were required to leave a deposit for services of the Police Department and any unused monies had to be refunded.

Bond Council Steve Pearlman was in attendance to provide an overview of Resolution # 11-138. He introduced Diana Geist of Northwest Financial. They stated that they did a Request for Quotes for an underwriter. The savings equates to approximately 8% or \$800,000. They are ready to sell the bonds in the next couple of weeks. They stated that Florham Park has a Triple A Credit rating and is still highly regarded.

Mayor Eveland thanked them for coming in.

RESOLUTIONS:

11-137 Authorizing submittal of a DOT Grant Application

Council President Huyler made a motion to approve Resolution # 11-137. He asked the Clerk to read the resolution into the record. The motion was seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Roll Call: Huyler, yes; Germershausen, yes; Boy, yes; Taylor, yes; Wikstrom, absent
Cefolo-Pane, yes

11-138 Providing for the Form, Maturities and Other Details of the Refunding Bonds of the Borough of Florham Park.

Councilman Boy made a motion to approve Resolution # 11-138. He asked the Clerk to read

the resolution into the record. The motion was seconded by Councilman Taylor

Roll Call: Huyler, yes; Germershausen, yes; Boy, yes; Taylor; yes, Wikstrom; absent Cefolo-Pane; yes

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Councilman Boy read a summary of the current bills list and made a motion to approve it in the amount of \$146,735.00 seconded by Councilman Germershausen

Roll Call: Huyler, yes; Germershausen, yes; Boy, yes; Taylor; yes, Wikstrom; absent Cefolo-Pane; yes

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mayor Eveland opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments.

Jon Winters, Brooklake Road

Mr. Winters asked when repairs would be done to the Municipal Building such as painting the Cupolas, fixing sidewalks.

Council President Huyler stated that he asked the Public Works Director to put money in his budget for building repairs.

Seeing no more members of the Public who wished to be heard, Mayor Eveland closed the meeting to the public.

EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION

#11-140 Authorizing the Council to Enter into Executive Session

Councilman Taylor made a motion to enter Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. seconded by Council President Huyler.

The Council returned to the open meeting at 7:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:25 p.m., on a motion made by Council President Huyler and duly seconded, the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.
Borough Clerk
October 17, 2011