



**Florham Park Borough Council  
Thursday, November 20, 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:

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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked if anyone had anything for the good of the order to discuss. Nothing was presented for discussion. He asked the Council members to proceed with their portfolio updates.

**COUNCIL PORTFOLIO UPDATES:**

**Council President Carpenter provided the following update:**

- DPW still working on leaves; doing a great job
- First Aid working on switching insurance – Addition postponed until spring
- Fire Department: Elections completed for Fire Department; putting a shed in back of Company #2 for gear and hoses. Company #2 needs a siren; they have it; however, it was never installed. Chief Montuore will look into it; may need a crane

**Councilman Germershausen provided the following update:**

There was a sewer main/water main break on Columbia Turnpike. The repairs took four days; French boxes were needed. Chatham helped out with the equipment.

**Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane provided the following update:**

- No Senior Meeting held this month
- AARP – 4 members attended. Not more than 25% can be out of town residents attending the meetings in our facility per our Ordinance; waiting for the list
- Seniors – upcoming senior meetings, can it be on the schedule of meetings? Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane will email the schedule to the Clerk
- Planning Board had one meeting; meeting really short –Maersk Lines Shipping Company has asked for and received a variance for the “Star” that is the symbol of their company. This star will appear on the building as a sign and will be the only sign on the building, regardless of any other tenant that may take open office space in the building.

**Councilman Malone provided the following update**

- Florham Park Athletic Foundation still has tickets available. \$50.00 per ticket; if all tickets are sold, there will be a cash prize of \$50,000.
- Discussed turf field usage; Recreation Committee is taking a look at how best to handle that; a recommendation will be made to the Council.
- Florham Park Little League has a new president, Phil DiFrancesco
- Florham Park soccer is doing well
- New snack shack is underway at the Elm Street fields
- Budget process is underway; had several meetings
- Mentioned Florham Park’s recognition by Movoto Real Estate as best community to live in in New Jersey.

Mayor Taylor stated that he was elated that Movoto selected Florham Park as the number 1 place to live in NJ. Several criteria was used to make their decision such as quality of life, safety and education of the residents. He stated he couldn’t be happier and knows that Florham Park is a great place to live.

**Councilman Michalowski provided the following update:**

- The library is making minor upgrades to its computer system
- Streaming music is also available through the library
- They are in the process of preparing the 2015 budget

**Councilman Zuckerman provided the following update:**

- Historic Preservation met and discussed improvements to the Little Red Schoolhouse. An estimate of \$93,000 was received to repair the roof.
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- Environmental Commission is working with the County Sheriff regarding SLAP to go over what is needed to be done at Spring Garden Lake. They will be coming next week.
- Still issues with settling the teacher's contract
- Board of Education is looking for a superintendent

## **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

After completion of the updates, Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public.

### **Public Comments:**

John Winters, 32 Brooklake Road

Mr. Winters asked if any discussion had taken place regarding the Pilgrim Pipeline.

Mayor Taylor stated that he and Mr. Huyler attended meeting regarding that and will discuss that with the Council.

Mr. Winters asked if the Jewish Center was a donation? Mayor Taylor stated that it was.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION RESOLUTION:**

Council President Carpenter made a motion to approve Resolution #14-22 to enter into Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Michalowski, all Council in favor.

## **RETURN TO WORK SESSION:**

Council returned to open work session at 7:00 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:05 p.m., on a motion made by Councilman Zuckerman, seconded by Council President Carpenter, the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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