



Florham Park Borough Council
Thursday, March 12, 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 Malone	X	
Councilman Germershausen	X	
Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane	X	
Councilman Carpenter	X	
Councilman Michalowski	X	
Councilman Zuckerman	X	

Recognitions:

Mayor Taylor announced that the Hanover Park 2015 NJSIAA Group 2 State Wrestling Champions were in attendance this evening. He stated that he was proud of the team and is a graduate of Hanover Park as well. He also joked that the school didn't even have lights there in 1978. He stated Carmen Cefolo-Pane also had a very vested interest in the team as her nephew is part of the team. Mayor Taylor asked Anthony Cefolo to stand up to be recognized. Mayor Taylor invited the coaches up to present the Certificates of Achievement to the team members.

When the presentations were completed, Mayor Taylor congratulated them once again and thanked them all for coming in.

Council Portfolio Updates:

Councilman Germershausen provided the following report:

Councilman Germershausen stated he had just received some questions regarding the water rate study from Councilman Carpenter and he would try and have them answered by the next meeting. He stated he needed to get together with Borough Administrator Bill Huyler regarding the Executive Summary for the water rates.

Mayor Taylor stated that it is imperative that we get this moving along and dissect where we are going to go with it.

Mr. Germershausen had another meeting to attend and left the meeting at 6:50 pm.

Council President Malone provided the following report:

Recreation:

- Fred Stobaeus and Lou Boyd awards are typically handed out on Baseball Day. This year they are going to be handed out at the 4th of July Celebration in front of a larger audience. It was also discussed that the award recipients could ride in a car in the parade. That award in years past took on a huge significance in town; in years recently passed that has diminished in years. The thinking is to elevate the award and give it more prominence. Council President Malone also mentioned the possibility of inviting the involvement of the Athletic Foundation.
- John Timmons has been busy with Day Camp and Teen Summer Experience registration. He asked Mr. Timmons to provide an update. Mr. Timmons stated:

The Recreation Department has been busy with registration. TSE is just about completely sold out. One week sold out in 1 ½ hours. Day Camp registration is moving along; about 100 kids have registered so far.

Finance:

- The consolidation phase of the budget has begun. There is also a budget work session education training coming out of the Summit Meeting scheduled for March 16, 2015 at 5:00 pm. This training is regarding the budget process and is open to the Public.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane provided the following report:

Planning Board:

- London Day School was back in to a Planning Board hearing. They provided proper notice to all property owners in the surrounding area. They were approved for expanding their service from 18 months to six years old, as they also offer kindergarten.
- Florham Park Sports Dome on Passaic Avenue also attended the PB meeting. They revised their application. They no longer have two domes. It is going to be one dome with a regulation size turf lacrosse field that will be inside the dome. There will also be a swimming pool. There will be a separate building that will house their ice rink. Instead of having the 2nd dome which that had three basketball courts, they are moving that to where they originally have the 12,000 square foot party room. The party room is now going to be 8,000 square feet, which is now going to be 6,000 square foot basketball court. There is going to be a small wall. They also anticipate having camp there. They were approved and a positive resolution is being prepared by the PB attorneys.
- Senior's had their annual St. Patrick's Day party which was a success. The Malone girls were part of the entertainment. They performed their Irish step dancing, which was very well received. There was also an accordion player.
- For the Gazebo, there is one change. June 21 is now Heartbreakers, which is a Tom Petty tribute band.

Councilman Carpenter provided the following report:

Police Department:

- Some active investigations going on; sensitive in nature
- Command staff met with Board of Education, PTA, School Board Administrators and Traffic Safety Police regarding traffic and parking issues around Brooklake School. They have developed some short-term strategies to alleviate the problem and looking at some long-term solutions.

Fire Department:

- Held annual CPR class; was well attended.

Engineering:

- Felch Road contract is finalized and will be handled at a future council meeting.

DPW:

- All service contracts are set to be set out regarding lawn maintenance.

Councilman Michalowski provided the following report:

- Sewer Utility received an official notice from the DEP compliance inspection that was held on February 5, 2015.
- The library rewarded a book from the Sun Literacy Volunteer program
- Library has approved Summer Smarts program for school aged children
- There is a link on the Borough website for all retail food establishment inspections. Just go to the website and follow the links.
- 4th of July asked if it would be okay to have an ATM machine at the 4th of July Celebration at the Borough complex. Attorney Joseph Bell said he would take it under advisement.

Councilman Zuckerman provided the following report:

Municipal Pool:

- Ordinance for rate changes to the Florham Park Municipal Pool will be introduced at the next meeting; 7% increase overall and an extra charge if you use a credit card.
- Councilman Zuckerman asked the Borough Engineer to provide an update on work at the Pool. Mr. Sgaramella stated that they have been working there the last two weeks. They have been working on the gutters there and they welded about half the gutters and have done some painting. Things are moving along there pretty well.
- Environmental Commission will be holding a work session the second Saturday in April for Spring Garden Lake and the second Saturday in May for the park at Brooklake.

Mayor Taylor:

Mayor Taylor recognized audience member Alita Thomas from the Board of Education. He stated they have had meetings and are keeping the lines of communication open.

He discussed an article in the paper about salt in the water. We don't have an issue. If anyone would like to see it.

Passaic River Coalition has reached out to the Borough. There are properties that they are going to give to the Borough for conservation and for water retention for flood zones. Have green acres public hearing notice; therefore we can take care of this at the next meeting.

Also Hanover Park Wrestling asked for a contribution to offset the cost of championship rings. They need to raise approximately \$7,000 for this.

Council President Malone made a motion to donate \$250.00 to the club. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman.

Vote:

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

PAYMENT OF VOUCHERS:

Council President Malone made a motion to approve the current bills list in the amount of \$380,281.57. The motion was seconded by Councilman Zuckerman.

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Germershausen				X	
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Zuckerman	X				
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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.

RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

#15-43 Authorizing the Council to Enter into Executive Session

Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve Resolution #15-43 to enter into Executive. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane.

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

ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:10 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
March 24, 2015