

Florham Park Borough Council
Tuesday, May 17, 2011
Work Session Minutes

Present: Germershausen, Boy, Beecher, Taylor, Wikstrom
Absent: Eveland, Huyler
Others Present: Administrator Gage, Borough Clerk Williams, Attorney Bell

Councilman Taylor called the Work Session to order at 6:30 p.m. He asked if there were any questions on the Agenda for the Regular Meeting. There were no questions on the agenda.

Portfolio Discussions:

Councilwoman Beecher:

Councilwoman Beecher indicated that the Board of Health would like to raise some of the fees for the Board of Health. She stated that they would like to raise the fees for Certified Copies from \$10.00 to \$25.00. She indicated that the fees being charged are very low compared to other municipalities. She also indicated that they would like to slightly raise the fees for dog and cat licenses.

Councilman Germershausen stated that he didn't think any fees should be raised at this time. Councilwoman Beecher stated that the Certified Copy fee is one of the lowest around and it is a very time consuming process. Many of the people looking for Certified Copies are not Florham Park residents.

Councilman Boy asked what the maximum amount allowed was for the State; what is the differential?

Councilwoman Beecher indicated she would find out and they could push this issue to the next meeting for further discussion.

Councilwoman Beecher indicated that the Gazebo Concert Series will kick-off on Memorial Day Weekend with the band Sweeter Than Honey, which is a group of local kids.

Councilman Taylor:

Councilman Taylor informed the Council that the owner of the Florham Park Deli passed away. Upon inspection of the premises, it was determined by the Board of Health that there were three individuals running the Deli who were not certified as food handlers; therefore, Stephanie shut it down. Councilman Taylor also stated that they have been given instructions to clean out all perishables .

Councilman Taylor stated that there are 92 workers on duty at BASF and things are moving along up there.

The Land Conservancy closed on the property of 5 Brooklake Road.

Councilman Taylor indicated he had a mock Council Meeting with the Boy Scouts. They are interested in a clean-up effort.

Councilman Wikstrom:

Councilman Wikstrom stated for the record that the *One Day One School* event was an unbelievable effort. There were approximately 150 kids and 60 adults on hand to beautify Hanover Park High School.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman 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 FOR APPROVAL

#11-97 Resolution authorizing Executive Session Beecher

Councilwoman Beecher made a motion to approve Resolution # 11-97 to allow the Council to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Wikstrom.

Roll Call: Huyler, absent; Germershausen, yes; Boy, yes; Beecher, yes; Taylor; yes, Wikstrom, yes

The Council entered into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m.

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Councilman Wikstrom made a motion to return to re-open the work session, seconded by Councilwoman Beecher

Roll Call: Huyler, absent; Germershausen, yes; Boy, yes; Beecher, yes; Taylor; yes, Wikstrom, yes

ADJOURNMENT

The Council re-opened the open session at 7:10 p.m. At 7:10 p.m., on a motion made by Councilman Wikstrom 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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