



**Florham Park Borough Council**  
**Thursday, July 17, 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	

Mayor Taylor asked if anyone had anything for the good of the Order to discuss. Councilman Zuckerman stated that he would like to table Ordinance # 14-11. He is not sure about residents being able to prove they are a single parent status. A discussion ensued on this topic. Mayor Taylor indicated that Council could make a motion to table the Ordinance at the regular meeting if they wished to do so.

Resident Colin Peterson was in attendance at the Work Session to discuss putting an ADA accessible path between Hillside Avenue and Baldwin Court. He stated the path would be approximately 196' in length and 4 feet in width. He indicated he was going to provide a sketch as to what this would look like.

Mayor Taylor stated that he thinks it is a good idea. The Borough will do the meets and bounds and will await receipt of the sketch.

## **Council Portfolio Updates:**

### **Council President Scott Carpenter:**

- Police Department swearing in a new member
- Pat, Bill, Carl and the Deputy Chiefs met with ISO; may jump one or two levels higher in criteria. This may also make the insurance rates less expensive and could put the Borough ahead of other municipalities
- There was a small fire in Minnesink; mutual aid was required
- First Aid Squad variance approved for their addition; agreed to help them in any way we can
- Fire Department, First Aid Squad picnic is September 27<sup>th</sup>. They have asked the Florham Park Police to join in this year.

### **Councilman Charles Germershausen:**

- Met with Lou Ricco, COAH Liaison. No federal monies are available for this person. Municipalities can only bond for it.

Mayor Taylor asked if we have explored the need for this in Florham Park.

Councilman Germershausen thinks some seniors would like to downsize.

Councilman Carpenter asked if they had figured out what size the building would be?

Councilman Germershausen stated that 20 units, maybe modular; possibly 2-3 bedrooms.

Councilwoman Cefolo-Pane stated that 3 bedroom units seemed large for seniors.

### **Councilwoman Carmen Cefolo-Pane:**

- Senior PBA Barbeque is August 6<sup>th</sup>
- July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Senior Seminar on prevention of falls
- Last Gazebo concert was great; B Street Band; final concert is Desert Highway on Sunday
- Gazebo Committee looking for volunteers
- Next Planning Board meeting is July 28

### **Councilman Charles Malone:**

- Recreation Director – 31 resumes received – looking at 16 candidates
- Adult men’s softball completed its first season

### **Councilman Thomas Michalowski:**

- Library summer reading program underway
- New Florham Park Diner open – passed its inspections
- 4<sup>th</sup> of July was a great day; although fundraising down from private and public donations
- Sewer Utility – Engineering looking at facility to see if any upgrades are needed
- Still working on Woodbine issue

### **Councilman Bill Zuckerman:**

- Historical Preservation Commission members have concerns about facility use policy
- Pool registration; \$2,000 ahead of last year in revenue – 28 more memberships than last year.

Mayor Taylor discussed that the diner asked to change their business hours. They would like to stay open Monday thru Thursday until 12:00 a.m. and Friday thru Sunday through 1:00 a.m.

The Mayor stated the entire Ordinance would have to be changed. The Council should take the matter under advisement.

The suggestion was made by Charlie Malone that we should have input/feedback from the police department about the potential impact of extending existing business hours to midnight during the week and 1:00 am on weekends.

### **Borough Administrator Report:**

Mr. Huyler stated that they are working on the situation with the dogs and hopefully that matter will be rectified shortly.

Mr. Huyler stated that the Water Superintendent resigned yesterday and he was informing the Council.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

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

Seeing no members of the public who wished to be heard he closed the meeting to the public.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 7:05 p.m., on a motion made by Councilman Michalowski, seconded by Councilman Germershausen, the work session was adjourned by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

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