



**Florham Park Borough Council  
Thursday, August 15, 2013  
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 Cefolo-Pane		X
Councilman Germershausen		X
Councilman Carpenter	X	
Councilman Malone	X	
Councilman Michalowski		X
Councilman Zuckerman	X	

**Portfolio Updates/Discussions:**

**Mayor Taylor Update:**

Mayor Taylor discussed some of the pocket parks in Florham Park. He indicated that local Landscaper Paul McCann has offered to care for Girl Scout Park. He further indicated that Michael Ardolino would take over Beechcrest Park. Mayor Taylor was happy that those areas would be cleaned up at no expense to the taxpayers.

Mayor Taylor stated that the Grand Opening for TD Bank will be held on Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. The public is invited. There will be a barbeque, giveaways, etc. This should be a nice event.

Mayor Taylor indicated that Hanover Park High School would like to put a banner on Ridgedale Avenue regarding the Special School Board Election. All Council members agreed to have the banner placed there.

Mayor Taylor discussed the possibility of starting a service award program to recognize volunteers or the possibility of having a luncheon to recognize them.

Mayor Taylor also indicated that the Senior Citizens would like to use the Community Center to hold their meetings.

Councilman Zuckerman made a motion to approve that use, seconded by Councilman Carpenter.

### **Roll Call:**

Cefolo-Pane, absent; Germershausen, absent, Carpenter, yes; Malone, yes; Michalowski, absent; Zuckerman, yes

### **Councilman Carpenter:**

Councilman Carpenter stated that the First Aid squad was asked by Hanover Park High School to cover at least 6 football games at the High School. The Squad has indicated that they do not have the resources to do this. They simply don't have the manpower. They also feel it is a liability. That being said there is a physician on site, so it is not like they are being left there without anyone who can provide medical attention. They feel bad about it; however, that is there position.

The Fire Department and First Aid Squad are planning the first responders function. Everyone is excited about it and the idea is moving along. It will be on September 21<sup>st</sup> and will be held at the Company #1.

Florham Park Baseball parents held fundraiser in the form a softball tournament. They raised \$2,100. The money was donated to Police, Fire and First Aid.

Councilman Carpenter stated they were working on the travel soccer field and will continue to do so.

### **Councilman Zuckerman:**

Councilman Zuckerman asked Director of Community Services Carl Ganger to provide a status on what was happening at the Pool.

Mr. Ganger stated that there were 578 members to date.

New chairs were purchased for the pool and partitions were put up in the men's locker room.

A teen night was held last week; 44 teens showed up. They received a \$700,000 estimate from a Pool Company to make some improvements. The proposal was given to Bill Huyler.

## **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Mayor Taylor opened the meeting to the public for those who wished to be heard.

The following members of the public wished to be heard:

### **Jon Winters, Brooklake Road**

Mr. Winters inquired as to the status of the Brooklake Road Grant.

Mayor Taylor stated that the Borough Engineer is trying to get that working for October.

Mr. Winters also stated that Germershausen Park was running a little wild and asked what the plans were for that.

Mayor Taylor stated that he and Mr. Carpenter as well as others will be working out there shortly. He stated that there are wild chrysanthemums growing there. Each time they are cut, they come back stronger. We need some more variety there.

Mr. Winters inquired as to the status of the Elm Street recreation project.

Mayor Taylor stated that things were moving along there. They are ahead of schedule; storm detention system will be put in shortly.

Mr. Winters asked if the Mayor and Council had any idea as to how much the FP Athletic Foundation will be donating to offset the costs there.

Mayor Taylor stated that he does not know at this point.

Councilman Carpenter stated that they have a new president and we should see some activity coming from them shortly.

Mr. Winters asked about the status of the manganese treatment plant.

Carl Ganger stated he is behind on it and has some work to do on it.

Mr. Winters asked about any activity at the former Bennigan's location.

Mayor Taylor indicated that they never came back to the Board.

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

**RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Resolution # 13-113** Authorizing the Council to enter into Executive Session

Councilman Carpenter made a motion to approve Resolution #13-113 to enter into executive session, seconded by Councilman Malone. All Council in favor.

The Council entered into executive session at 6:50 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Council returned to open session at 7:05 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila A. Williams, R.M.C.  
Borough Clerk  
September 16, 2013