

Florence, New Jersey
August 4, 2004

The Florence Township Council held a regular meeting on the above date in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order by President Fratinardo at 8:00 PM. President Fratinardo led the Salute to the Flag.

The Township Clerk read the following statement: "Notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice was published in the Burlington County Times on January 4, 2004 and given to the Register News for information. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board."

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

John Fratinardo, President
Frank Baldorossi
Bruce Garganio
Elizabeth Ryan
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Michael Muchowski, Mayor; Richard Brook, Township Administrator; Dante Guzzi, Township Engineer; William John Kearns, Jr., Township Solicitor; Joy Weiler, Township Clerk

MINUTES

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Ryan to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

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FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky; seconded by Ryan to receive and file the Township Clerk's report for July. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Sandusky made a MOTION; seconded by Ryan to approve the Treasurer's Bill List. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

APPLICATIONS

None at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carl Mattson, 710 Cooper Street, questioned the Ordinance regarding boats and trailers parked on the street. He asked if it could be parked overnight and the whole following day? Council

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President Fratinardo explained that the intent of the Ordinance is to allow people to hook up their boats the night before, if they were planning on leaving very early in the morning, without disturbing their neighbors. Administrator Brook will have someone call Mr. Mattson to go over the Ordinance with him.

Bill Bott, 64 Riverbank Drive, asked that the leaves in the access road to his development be cleaned up. Administrator Brook stated that Riverbank Drive and the access road is scheduled to be cleaned next week.

James McCullough, representing Mr. Softee, stated that he currently has a transient merchant license to operate in the township until dusk. He explained that he will be renewing the license next week and respectfully asked Council if the operating time could be extended to 8:30 PM. Administrator Brook explained that operating after dusk is a safety risk to the children. Due to the children's safety Council in agreement not to extend Mr. McCullough's operating hours beyond dusk.

Greg Kohfeldt, 403 Wilbur Henry Drive, questioned the property maintenance Ordinance. He stated that there is a property behind his that the grass has not been cut all year. He is concerned with the bugs and animals. Administrator Brook will have the Code Enforcement Official inspect the property.

Steve Mognancki, 904 Walnut Street, as the Commander of VFW Post 8830, thanked Mayor and Council for installing the curb and sidewalk on Tenth Avenue.

Richard Lotter, 3 Walnut Court, thanked Administrator Brook for his help in having a vehicle moved that was parked in a manner that it made it very difficult for the garbage truck to navigate the cul-de-sac to pick up the trash. Administrator Brook suggested discussing making that a no parking area at a Worksession. Mayor Muchowski thanked Mr. Lotter.

All residents having an opportunity to be heard, MOTION by Ryan; seconded by Sandusky to close the public portion of the meeting. All ayes - motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2004 -165

2004 NON-UNION SALARY RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-166

**CONFIRM MOTION FROM 7-21-04
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF TAX BILLS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-167

**APPOINT CROSS ACCEPTANCE REPRESENTATIVES
FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-168

**AWARD CONTRACT FOR HIGH EFFICIENT HEATING
SYSTEM BOILERS FOR
FLORENCE TOWNSHIP LIBRARY**

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Garganio that Resolutions 2004-165 through 2004-168 be approved.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

ORDINANCES

**ORDINANCE 2004-11
(2nd Reading)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 133 – ABANDONED VEHICLES OF THE FLORENCE
CODE TO ESTABLISH CLARIFICATION OF THE DEFINITION OF
ABANDONED VEHICLES**

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to approve Ordinance No. 2004-11 on second reading for adoption.

Public Comment

Council President Fratinardo opened the meeting to the public for comments at this time.

Nothing at this time.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the public hearing.
All ayes – motion carried.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

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REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

- Council Member Sandusky stated that he attended the National Night Out last evening. He felt that it was very well organized and attended. He would like more added to the event next year. Mayor Muchowski agreed.
- Council Vice President Ryan noted that there was a letter in the packet regarding Patrolman Fisher commending him for his professionalism in a court proceeding. The letter impressed Council Vice President.
- Council President Fratinardo stated that the Public Works Department did a fantastic job on the construction of the batting cages.

Mayor Muchowski

- Nothing at this time.

Administrator

- Nothing at this time.

Township Solicitor

- Nothing at this time.

Township Engineer

- Nothing at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council Member Garganio asked that a letter be sent to the Fire District asking for a map showing where fire hydrants are located; it would be especially useful in the country area. Mayor Muchowski will be meeting with Chief Kensler and will discuss with him.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Garganio discussed a letter from Susan Bass Levin stating that there is \$6 million available from the State to aid municipalities with capital improvement projects. He asked if the township is looking to apply? Administrator Brook stated item is on next week's Worksession Agenda for discussion.

Council Member Garganio asked that the Grantwriters also be included on next week's Agenda. The Township Clerk noted the request.

Council Vice President Ryan asked that the letter from DEP regarding the Florence Township Water, Test Well No. 6 and Interrelationship with the Tullytown Landfill be added to next week's Agenda for discussion. The Township Clerk noted the request.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Nothing at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing at this time.

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8:25 PM MOTION by Ryan, seconded by Sandusky to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:25 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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