

Florence, New Jersey
August 20, 2003

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 Hofflinger at 8:00 PM. President Hofflinger 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 5, 2003 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 Hofflinger, President
Frank Baldorossi
John Fratinardo
Bruce Garganio
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

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

PRESENTATION: US ARMY CAPTAIN JASON FOERTER

Mayor and Council presented Captain Jason Foerter with a Proclamation in honor of his return home after serving our Country as an Apache Helicopter Pilot during the war in Iraq. Captain Foerter thanked everyone for their support and prayers and asked that they continue for the troops that are still overseas in harms way.

MINUTES

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

Regular Session July 16, 2003 and August 6, 2003
Closed Session August 6, 2003 and August 13, 2003

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Hofflinger; seconded by Sandusky to receive and file the Court Administrator's report for July. Roll call vote - all ayes. Motion carried.

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

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

APPLICATIONS

A. Block Party: Creekwood Drive

B. Block Party: Andrews Drive & Fillipponi Court

Administrator Brook advised Mayor and Council that the Chief of Police gave him a memo this afternoon stating that he did not have an objection to either block party.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Fratinardo to approve the above applications.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Sandusky, Hofflinger

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Terri Cranmer, Route 130, would like to obtain a copy of the land use book. Joy Weiler, Township Clerk, advised her that she may purchase one at the municipal building for \$30.

Fred Wainwright, 1091 Florence-Columbus Road, questioned the location of the property referred to in Resolution No. 2003-147. Assistant Administrator Sahol advised him that the property is on Old York Road.

Ms. Cranmer asked if the water testing was still being done? Assistant Administrator Sahol explained that the Water & Sewer Department is doing the private well testing, and he would call tomorrow to see when the next testing would be done.

Bill Bott, 64 Riverbank Drive, asked if crossing guards would be posted at the railroad crossings when the Light Rail begins service? Mayor Muchowski stated that the Township is looking into hiring additional crossing guards.

Mr. Bott asked if Mayor and Council knew what NJ Transit was going to do with the mound of contaminated dirt? Mayor Muchowski stated that he met with NJ Transit and they are currently retesting the soil to determine where it is going to go. He believes it may be utilized as landfill cover. Discussion followed regarding some of the proposals made by NJ Transit for replacing the berms. Mr. Bott asked that a copy of the decision be forwarded to the Environmental Commission.

Steve Mognancki, 904 Walnut Street, asked how many veterans' names have been used for name streets and how many names were left? Council President Hofflinger explained the procedure and gave an approximate number of names that have been used. A copy of the list of names that have been used and the available names will be forwarded to the veteran organizations. Also, each time streets are named for a veteran, the organizations will be invited, along with the families of those being honored.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-142

APPROVE AUDIT

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-143

AWARD WELL NO. 2 REDEVELOPMENT CONTRACT TO
A.C. SCHULTES, INCORPORATED
664 SOUTH EVERGREEN AVENUE
WOODBURY HEIGHTS, NJ 08097

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-144

AWARD CONTRACT FOR NEW PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY
TO RMS CONSTRUCTION
1955 DUTCH MILL ROAD, FRANKLINVILLE, NJ 08322

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-145

AUTHORIZE TOWNSHIP ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR
TO FILE 2004 LIVABLE COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-146

AUTHORIZE THE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR
THOMAS A. SAHOL, TO FILE APPLICATION FOR
THE STATEWIDE LOCAL DOMESTIC
PREPAREDNESS EQUIPMENT GRANT
WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

RESOLUTION NO. 2003-147

PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR A PROPERTY
THAT REQUIRES NO MUNICIPAL COST SHARE

Clerk Weiler advised Council that Resolution No. 2003-144 will be HELD.

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Fratinardo that Resolutions
2003-142, 143 and 2003-145 through 2003-147 be adopted.

On the Question
Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:
YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Sandusky, Hofflinger
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2003-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE CHAPTER 134 OF THE
FLORENCE
TOWNSHIP CODE TO PROVIDE FOR TRUCK ROUTES AND FOR STREETS OR
PARTS OF
STREETS WHERE TRUCKS OVER FOUR TONS GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT ARE
PROHIBITED

ORDINANCE 2003-18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING CHAPTER 43
OF THE FLORENCE
TOWNSHIP CODE TO PROVIDE FOR ONE ADDITIONAL CASUAL SALES
LICENSE WITHIN A
SIX-MONTH PERIOD WHERE THE SALE IS BEING HELD BECAUSE THE
RESIDENT IS
MOVING FROM THE SUBJECT PROPERTY

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Fratinardo to approve Ordinance No. 2003-17 and 2003-18 on first reading and set adoption for September 17, 2003.

On the Question
Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:
YEAS: Baldorossi, Fratinardo, Garganio, Sandusky, Hofflinger
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

REPORTS
Committees, Boards and Officers
?Nothing at this time.

Mayor Muchowski
Nothing at this time.

Administrator
Nothing at this time.

Assistant Administrator
After a brief discussion regarding the placement of the new play structure at Wilkie Park, Council in agreement to keep it at its present location.

Township Solicitor
Nothing at this time.

Township Engineer
Nothing at this time.

Council President Hofflinger questioned Parrish Lane. Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, stated that Parrish Lane has been marked out, the milling has begun and the paving will be done this week.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Council President Hofflinger discussed the trucks exiting unsafely and at a high rate of speed from the NJ Turnpike onto Route 130 South. Assistant Administrator Sahol will contact the NJ Turnpike Authority to see if something can be done.

Roebing 100th Anniversary Celebration

Mayor Muchowski met with Mr. & Mrs. Varga regarding the 100th anniversary of Roebing. They are interested in forming a committee to complete projects that would coincide with the anniversary. Mayor Muchowski asked that Mr. & Mrs. Varga advertise in the newspaper to open up the committee to any interested residents.

Discussion followed regarding holding a celebration for the anniversary. Mayor Muchowski suggested that a committee be formed to organize a celebration. Different ideas for the celebration were discussed.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Nothing at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing at this time.

8:35 PM MOTION by Garganio, seconded by Sandusky to adjourn to Closed Session. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:35 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER

Township Clerk