

Florence, New Jersey
October 5, 2005

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 following statement was read: "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 2, 2005 and January 16, 2005; 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
Bruce Garganio
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

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

OATH OF OFFICE: POLICE OFFICERS – FLORENCE TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

- ❖ **NICHOLAS B. CZEPIEL**
- ❖ **JAMES E. FORD**
- ❖ **MICHELLE C. HOLLINS**

Joy Weiler, Township Clerk, administered the Oath of Office individually to the new Florence Township Police Officers while their family members held the Bible and looked on.

Chief Gordon Dawson thanked everyone attending this evening. He is very pleased to have three (3) additional recruits and the first female police officer in Florence Township. All three did very well in the Police Academy and will do well serving the citizens of Florence Township.

Mayor Muchowski, on behalf of Mayor and Council, welcomed the new police officers to the force and wished them luck.

Council President Fratinardo called for a two-minute recess.

RECESS

MEETING RESUMED

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MINUTES

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

Executive Session September 14, 2005
Closed Session September 14, 2005

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Garganio; seconded by Sandusky to receive and file the Chief of Police report and the Township Clerk’s report for September. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

Garganio 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. Off Premise 50/50 Raffle: Holy Assumption PTA, December 2, 2005, 6:00PM - 10:00PM
- B. On Premise Raffle: Holy Assumption PTA, December 2, 2005, 6:00PM – 10:00PM
- C. Social Affair: Holy Assumption School PTA: 12/2/05, 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

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: Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo
NOES: None
ABSENT: Baldorossi, Ryan

Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Bott, 64 Riverbank Drive, stated that there is an Ordinance in Florence Township that states political signs cannot be placed in a public right-of-way. There are signs in front of the school but he is not sure if it is the school’s property or the township’s.

Bill Federico, 902 Broad Street, since it is getting darker earlier now, asked if there were plans to install walkway lights at Veterans Park? Council Member Garganio explained

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that miles worth of walking path will be connected to the existing path and Assistant Administrator Sahol has run preliminary numbers for lighting, which may be done in phases. It will be discussed at budget time.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-191

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE NJPDES PERMIT
RENEWAL AND MODIFICATION
FOR DEAN NORTHEAST, LLC FOR
GARELICK FARMS FACILITY
ROUTE 130 AND CUMBERLAND BOULEVARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-192

**AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH DEAN NORTHEAST, LLC
TRADING AS GARELICK FARMS**

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Sandusky that Resolutions 2005-191 through 2005-192 be approved.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baldorossi, Ryan

Motion carries.

ORDINANCES

Solicitor Kearns stated that Ordinance No. 2005-24 may be ready for introduction next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-23

(1st Reading)

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE
PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF BEST
MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR THE
MANAGEMENT OF STORMWATER AND PROVIDING**

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**FOR DESIGN AND PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR
STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Sandusky to approve Ordinance No. 2005-23 on first reading and set adoption for October 19, 2005.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baldorossi, Ryan

Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

- Nothing at this time.

Mayor Muchowski

- Nothing at this time.

Administrator

- Administrator Brook will be moving forward with a temporary trailer.
- Administrator Brook received a request from the developer for Rite Aid asking that their Performance Bond be released and they will post a check in an amount that exceeds the cost of the improvements. They posted a check today in the amount of \$25,000, which will be held in an escrow account. It will not be released until all of the items have been completed. If the items are not completed, they agreed with the township that a Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued. The \$25,000 Bond will not be released until there is a formal report from the Municipal Engineer and it is approved by the governing body. The CO will not be issued unless all the land development approvals have been met. Also, conditioned upon posting of the Maintenance Bond.

It was on the MOTION of Fratinardo, seconded by Sandusky that the Performance Bond be released with the above conditions.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Garganio, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: Baldorossi, Ryan

Unanimous approval.

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- Administrator Brook asked if Council would like to discuss the inquiries from Tall Pines residents concerning Alternate No. 1 this evening or at next week's Worksession? Council would like to discuss at next week's Worksession.

Assistant Administrator

- Assistant Administrator Sahol discussed the memo in the packet regarding the DEP program on Clean Shores. If Council is interested he would like to give DEP an answer. Council is interested in participating.

Township Solicitor

- Nothing at this time.

Township Engineer

- Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, updated Mayor and Council on the Community Development Block Grant project. He and Assistant Administrator Sahol are finalizing the list; they will do a base bid with several alternates. This way only the amount of work that the grant will pay for will get done.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mayor Muchowski asked Mr. Guzzi for an update on punchlist items for the old Public Works Building at next week's meeting. Mr. Guzzi will provide update.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Nothing at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Nothing at this time.

8:20 PM MOTION by Sandusky, seconded by Garganio to adjourn meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:20 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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