

Florence, New Jersey
January 5, 2011

The Council of the Township of Florence met in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey on the above date for the purpose of organizing for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business which might properly come before it.

The meeting was called to order by Joy M. Weiler, Township Clerk, at 7:00 PM. Clerk Weiler led the Salute to the Flag.

Clerk Weiler 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 10, 2010 and January 2, 2011 and given to the Register News for information. Notice was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board."

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Frank Baldorossi
Dennis A. O'Hara
Sean Patrick Ryan
Jerry Sandusky
David Woolston

Also present: Mayor William E. Berry; Richard Brook, Township Administrator; Thomas Sahol, Assistant Municipal Administrator; Joy Weiler, Township Clerk

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

The Township Clerk opened the nominations for President of Council.

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **Dennis A. O'Hara** as Council President.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **O'Hara**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, O'Hara, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Clerk Weiler asked Council President O'Hara to take the chair and preside over the meeting.

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VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

Council President O'Hara opened the nominations for Vice President of Council.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Woolston to nominate **Frank K. Baldorossi, Jr.** as Vice President of Council.

There being no further nominations, it was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Woolston to close the nominations. All ayes – motion carries.

Upon roll call for **Frank K. Baldorossi, Jr.**, the Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO PLANNING BOARD

Council Member Ryan stated that he would be making a MOTION to nominate Dennis O'Hara as the Council Representative to the Planning Board and would like to explain why. He stated that the development of the Roebling Steel Mill site could become a reality, which Mayor and Council have been working hard on and invested a lot of time on. Council Member Ryan stated that if this project does become a reality, Council President O'Hara would be well suited on the Planning Board to make sure the project is carried out as it was envisioned through all of the meetings and negotiations.

Council Member Sandusky pointed out that all of the Members of Council and the Mayor have been involved and there has been good harmony; he hopes that will continue through 2011.

Council President O'Hara reiterated Council Member Sandusky's statement that all have been involved and included in the Roebling Steel Mill site development.

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **Dennis O'Hara** as Council Representative to the Planning Board.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Woolston to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **Dennis O'Hara** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

COUNCIL MEMBERS MAKE 2011 APPOINTMENTS

Council President O'Hara stated that there are some vacancies to be filled on various boards and commissions. There recently was a presentation regarding getting members of the community involved with the boards of the township. He hopes some of those that

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attended will volunteer to fill the vacancies. He also asked that Council Members seek out volunteers for the vacancies.

<u>Commission</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Keith Crowell	12/31/2014
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Michael Zekas	12/31/2014
Burlington County Route 130 Corridor Rep.	Thomas McCue	12/31/2011
Cross Acceptance	Thomas A. Sahol	12/31/2011
Cross Acceptance	Richard A. Brook	12/31/2011
Economic Development Committee	Michele Deyo (Baldorossi)	12/31/2011
Economic Development Committee	Paul Ostrander (Woolston)	12/31/2011
Economic Development Committee	Kevin Minton (O'Hara)	12/31/2011
Economic Development Committee	Pete Darata (Ryan)	12/31/2011
Economic Development Committee	Marvin Wainwright (Sandusky)	12/31/2011
Assessment Commission	Arthur Wise	12/31/2011
Assessment Commission	Richard Mullen	12/31/2011
Assessment Commission	Adriano Marinelli	12/31/2011
Citizens Adv. Comm. on Landfill Matters	Clinton Boyd	12/31/2012
Green Team	Laura Scatina	12/31/2011
Green Team	Pierre LaCombe	12/31/2011

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Woolston to approve the above appointments.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

MAYOR PRESENTS 2011 APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Berry presented the following Mayoral appointments:

<u>Commission</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Municipal Alliance Membership, Mayor Representative	Thomas A. Sahol	12/31/2011
American with Disabilities Comm.	Joy M. Weiler	12/31/2011
American with Disabilities Comm.	Richard A. Brook	12/31/2011
American with Disabilities Comm.	Thomas Layou	12/31/2011
American with Disabilities Comm.	Randy Belknap	12/31/2011
American with Disabilities Comm.	Joseph McHugh	12/31/2011
CDBG Representative	Thomas A. Sahol	12/31/2011
Delaware Estuary Program	Paul Ordog	12/31/2011
Historic Preservation Commission, Class B	Carl Szathmary	12/31/2014

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Historic Preservation Commission, Class C	Charles Bauer	12/31/2014
Planning Board, Class 4	James Molimock	12/31/2014
Planning Board, Class 2	Wayne Morris	12/31/2011
Planning Board, Class 4, Alt. #2	Charles Bauer	12/31/2012
Environmental Commission	George Lengel	12/31/2011
Environmental Commission, Alt. # 2	Joseph Csik	12/31/2011
Environmental Commission	William Bott	12/31/2012
Environmental Commission, Alt. #1	Pierre Lacombe	12/31/2012
Citizens Adv Comm on Landfill Matters	Mark Hollern	12/31/2012
Citizens Adv Comm on Landfill Matters	John Rein	12/31/2012
Economic Development	Joan Geary	12/31/2011
Economic Development	Ted Lovenduski	12/31/2011
Economic Development	Rick Lee	12/31/2011
Economic Development	Thomas McCue	12/31/2011
Economic Development	Emma Cartier	12/31/2011
Economic Development	A. Wesley Bridges	12/31/2011
Economic Development	Laura Taylor	12/31/2011
Green Team	David Carriger	12/31/2011
Green Team	Kim DiLaurentis	12/31/2011
Green Team	George Lengel	12/31/2011
Recreation Committee, FAAD Rep.	Thomas Sahol	12/31/2011
Recreation Committee	Ted Lovenduski	12/31/2015
Recreation Committee	J. Joseph Foga	12/31/2015
Recreation Committee	David Luthke	12/31/2011

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to approve the above appointments.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

COUNCIL MEMBERS CONFIRM MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Berry recommended the following **professional appointments** to Township Council for their approval:

Township Solicitor	William John Kearns, Jr., Esq.
Township Engineer	Dante Guzzi
Township Planner & COAH Planner	Clarke, Caton, Hintz
Township Water & Sewer Engineer	Richard A. Alaimo (with Russell Trice)
Prosecutor	Nicholas J. Costa, Esq.
Public Defender	William E. Sitzler, Esq.
Bond Counsel	McManimon & Scotland, LLC
Conflict Public Defender	James D. Fattornini, Esq.
Special Projects Conflict Engineer	Birdsall Engineering

It was on the MOTION Woolston, seconded by Ryan to approve the above appointments.

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Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None Unanimous approval.

Council President O'Hara welcomed and invited the professionals present to take their seats.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Environmental Commission

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky to nominate **Sean Ryan** as Council Representative to the Environmental Commission.

Council Member Ryan respectively declined the nomination and explained that he has served on the Environmental Commission for many years and even though he has enjoyed it, he would like to place a majority of his focus on the Environmental Green Team this year.

The nominations for the Environmental Commission will be held until the end of Council Representative appointments.

Recreation Committee

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **David Woolston** as Council Representative to the Recreation Committee.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **David Woolston** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None Unanimous approval.

FAAD Representative

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Woolston to nominate **Frank K. Baldorossi, Jr.** as Council Representative to FAAD.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **Frank K. Baldorossi, Jr.** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

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Green Team

It was on the MOTION of O’Hara, seconded by Baldorossi to nominate **Sean Ryan** as Council Representative to the Green Team.

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by O’Hara to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **Sean Ryan** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Woolston, O’Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
NOT VOTING: Sandusky Motion carried.

Economic Development Committee

It was on the MOTION of Ryan to nominate **Jerry Sandusky** as Council Representative to the Economic Development Committee.

Council Member Sandusky respectively declined and stated that he would like to serve on the Committee on Landfill Matters.

Nominations for the Economic Development Committee will be held until later during the meeting.

Committee on Landfill Matters

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Woolston to nominate **Jerry Sandusky** as Council Representative to the Committee on Landfill Matters.

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **Jerry Sandusky** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O’Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

Environmental Commission

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Sandusky to nominate **David Woolston** as Council Representative to the Environmental Commission.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **David Woolston** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O’Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

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Economic Development Committee

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to nominate **Frank Baldorossi** as Council Representative to the Economic Development Committee.

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Sandusky to close the nominations.

Upon roll call for **Frank Baldorossi** Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

TOWNSHIP AUDITOR APPOINTMENT

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Woolston to appoint **John J. Maley, Jr.** as the Township Auditor.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-01

**ANNUAL NOTICE AND SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 231, P.L. 1975**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-02

TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2011

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-03

DESIGNATING DEPOSITORIES

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-04

ACCOUNTS DEPOSITED AT NEW JERSEY CASH MANAGEMENT FUND

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RESOLUTION 2011-05

ACCOUNTS DEPOSITED AT ROEBLING BANK

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-06

ESTABLISHING A CHARGE FOR RETURNED CHECKS

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-07

**AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH TOWNSHIP SOLICITOR
KEARNS, REALE AND KEARNS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-08

**AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH TOWNSHIP ENGINEER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-09

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF BOND COUNSEL

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-10

**AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF TOWNSHIP WATER & SEWER
ENGINEER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-11

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PROSECUTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-12

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC DEFENDER

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-13

APPOINTING TAX SEARCH OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-14

DESIGNATION OF MUNICIPAL ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER

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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-15

APPOINT DEPUTY TOWNSHIP CLERK

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-16

AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-17

APPOINTING ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-18

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF ORGANIZATIONS
TO PROVIDE RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES
IN THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-19

APPOINTING RECYCLING COORDINATOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-20

APPOINTING ROAD INSPECTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-21

APPOINTING TEMPORARY SUBSTITUTES FOR MUNICIPAL PROSECUTORS

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-22

**AUTHORIZE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, SANDRA A. BLACKER, TO
MAKE MUNICIPAL DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS
AS PER THE CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-23

**APPOINTING TOWNSHIP CLERK AS
PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER**

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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-24

**APPOINT THE TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATOR, RICHARD A. BROOK,
AS THE JOINT INSURANCE FUND COMMISSIONER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-25

ADOPTING CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-26

**ADOPTION OF A DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY
IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE DRUG FREE WORKPLACE ACT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-27

**APPROVE MUNICIPAL STORMWATER
PROGRAM COORDINATOR**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-28

**A RESOLUTION FIXING INTEREST RATES AND PENALTIES
ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND MUNICIPAL CHARGES AND FIXING
ADDITIONAL SUMS TO BE PAID TO THE HOLDER OF A TAX
TITLE UPON REDEMPTION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-29

**AUTHORIZING THE TAX ASSESSOR OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE TO FILE APPEALS, OMITTED AND
ADDED ASSESSMENT APPEALS, AND ROLL BACK COMPLAINTS WITH
THE BURLINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-30

AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT OF CONFLICT PUBLIC DEFENDER

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-31

**AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF A COAH PLANNER
FOR COUNCIL ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

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RESOLUTION NO. 2011-32

**AUTHORIZING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
WITH CONFLICT/SPECIAL PROJECTS ENGINEER**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-33

**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL FORMALLY APPOINTING THE ASSESSMENT
COMMISSION MEMBERS FOR ONE-YEAR TERMS**

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-34

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE TO ENTER
INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE “BURLINGTON
COUNTY DWI TASK FORCE” PROGRAM FOR 2011**

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Baldorossi to approve Resolutions 2011-01 through 2011-34.

On the Question

Council Member Ryan, from a funding standpoint, questioned the addition of the Florence Township Theater and Arts Association to Resolution No. 2011-18. Assistant Administrator Sahol stated that it will be discussed at budget time and explained that it started last year and Mrs. Sutherland is hoping to move it to the point where something takes place this year.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O’Hara

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Woolston to receive and file the Chief of Police’s report, the Court Administrator’s report and the Township Clerk’s report for December. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carries.

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Woolston to approve the Treasurer’s Bill List. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carries.

MINUTES

It was on the MOTION of Ryan, seconded by Sandusky to approve the following minutes. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carries.

Executive Session	November 10, 2010
Regular Session	December 1, 2010
Closed Session (with correction)	December 15, 2010

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REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT: ZONING BOARD

Council Member Sandusky suggested, since the position of Alt. #1 on the Zoning Board is vacant, to move Robert Adams (appointed earlier this evening) from Alt. #2 to Alt. #1. Township Council agreed with the suggestion and will discuss at the Worksession next week.

APPLICATIONS

A. RAFFLES: Chinese Auction & On Premise 50/50, Florence Township Riverfront School PTO, March 4, 2011, 5:00PM – 11:00PM, Riverfront School

It was on the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Woolston to approve the above applications.

On the Question: Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Ryan, Sandusky, Woolston, O'Hara

NOES: None

ABSENT: None Unanimous approval.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nothing at this time.

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

COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Berry

Mayor Berry stated how proud he is to work with each and every member of Council and looked forward to working together in 2011. Everyone works well together for the betterment of the community. There will be some challenging times budget wise and he knows everyone wants to maintain the high level of service to the community that the residents have become accustomed to. He assured the community that the governing body will do their best to maintain that level of service while keeping the budget constraints in mind. He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Council Member Sandusky

Council Member Sandusky welcomed everyone this evening and pointed out the professionals present, former Mayor Sampson and former Mayor Muchowski, current and former board members, the Chief of Police and "the regulars" that attend the Council meetings.

Council President O'Hara

Council President O'Hara also welcomed everyone in the audience and wished all a Happy New Year. He encouraged the public to attend as many Council Meetings as possible. He thanked Don Kamienski, McCay Drive resident, for the outstanding job he

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and his group did in cleaning up various parks throughout the community and hopes that he will spearhead that committee again this year. Council President O'Hara looked forward to working with Mayor Berry, his fellow Council Members as well as Administrator Brook and Assistant Administrator Sahol, who do a phenomenal job for the community. There are many challenges ahead this year with the budget and trying to provide the services that the residents desire and deserve; the governing body and administration will work hard. Council President O'Hara praised the Public Works Department for the fine job they did, in very trying conditions, with the past blizzard. They do an outstanding job with a limited staff. He also thanked Council Member Woolston for offering his expert advice on the purchase of the new chipper; the town saved money on the purchase.

Council Member Ryan

Council Member Ryan stated that there is a core group of residents that attend a majority of the Council Meetings and would like to thank them. They attend regularly and stand up during the public comment portion of the meeting, add their input, ask questions and challenge the governing body. He commended those residents.

As previously mentioned this evening, Council Member Ryan stated that it may be a very challenging year and looking at past years trends there is no telling how much state aid is going to be cut from Florence Township again this year, but he can confidently say that all the members of the governing body will work hard together for the betterment of Florence Township. He explained that sometimes individuals disagree, regardless of political party, and disagreements can improve working together. He would like a fresh start in this New Year and apologized for past disagreements.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM UPGRADE

Administrator Brook stated that Assistant Administrator Sahol prepared an outline on the Telephone System Upgrade and asked that he be able to move forward with the purchase of the hardware. Council Members were in unanimous agreement to move forward with the **purchase of the hardware for the telephone system**, as noted in Mr. Sahol's report. Administrator Brook thanked Council Member Ryan for his advice on the purchase of the phone equipment and the ability to save money through his working with Mr. Sahol.

ADMINISTRATOR BROOK

Administrator Brook stated that he looked forward to working with the governing body in 2011.

7:40 PM MOTION by Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT 7:40 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER, RMC/MMC
Township Clerk

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