

Florence Township Council Executive Session 6/8/22

Florence, New Jersey
June 8, 2022

The Florence Township Council held an Executive Session meeting on the above date in the Municipal Complex, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey. Members of the public were invited to attend the meeting in person or electronically via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order by Council President Garganio at 7:05 p.m. Council President Garganio led the Salute to the Flag.

The Opening Statement was read by the Township Clerk: Notice was posted on the municipal bulletin board on January 7, 2022; published in the Burlington County Times on January 19, 2022, placed on the Township website and given to the Trenton Times for information on January 19, 2022.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Present: Frank Baldorossi, Jr., Nicholas Haas, Kristan Marter, Paul Ostrander, Bruce Garganio

Also Present: Mayor Craig H. Wilkie; Stephen Fazekas, Township Administrator; Robert N. Wright, Jr., Township Solicitor; Nancy L. Erlston, Township Clerk; Steven Matthews, Court Administrator

Absent: None

FIFTEEN (15) MINUTES OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Council President Garganio opened the meeting to the public at this time.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Ostrander, seconded by Haas to close the public comment portion. Voice vote – all ayes.

BUSINESS

A. NJDOT Grant Application – Broad Street and Hornberger Avenue

Administrator Fazekas explained that the NJDOT grants are due by July 1st. Last year we put in for Ninth Street with Broad Street being the secondary plan and we received award money for Ninth Street. This year we put in for Broad Street with Hornberger Avenue as the backup, to include calming effects going from the railroad tracks out to Route 130. The Resolution will be brought to Council next week so the application can be submitted.

Mayor Wilkie further explained that the plan is to finish up where Hornberger Avenue stops just before the railroad tracks and take it out to the bridge and this will be that last piece of Hornberger. One of the things discussed previously when the properties there were acquired was to widen the road, create a boulevard and make it safer for people to cross from Amboy and Railroad Avenues. Mayor Wilkie said that the township engineer indicated that grant money could be used to fund this.

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ACTION

None at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council President Garganio opened the meeting up to the public at this time. Seeing no one wishing to comment, a Motion was made by Ostrander, seconded by Haas to close the public comment portion. Voice Vote – All Ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Resolution 2022-122 Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, Township Council and Support Staff to meet on Closed Session and Authorizing the Exclusion of the Public from that Portion of the Meeting Dealing with Specific Issues Requiring Non-Public Discussions:

Attorney – Client Privilege – Roebing Steel Plant Site – RFP/RFQ

Attorney – Client Privilege/Pending Litigation – ZB#2021-13 and ZB#2021-14

Motion of Marter, seconded by Baldorossi to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:07 p.m. where no action will be taken. Voice vote – all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

Council returned to the Regular meeting at 8:48 p.m. No action was taken. Motion of Haas seconded by Marter to adjourn. Voice vote – all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Erlston, RMC
Township Clerk
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