

## **Florence Township Council Regular Session 10/5/22**

Florence, New Jersey  
October 5, 2022

The Florence Township Council held a regular 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 Vice President Ostrander at 7:00 p.m. Council Vice President Ostrander 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: Nicholas Haas, Kristan Marter, Paul Ostrander

Also Present: Mayor Craig Wilkie; Stephen Fazekas, Township Administrator; Robert N. Wright, Jr., Township Solicitor; Nancy L. Erlston, Township Clerk; Jenise Silinsky, Deputy Township Clerk

Absent: Frank Baldorossi, Bruce Garganio

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- Regular Session of September 21, 2022

Motion of Marter, seconded by Haas to approve the minutes as submitted. Voice vote – All ayes.

### **FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE**

Motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to approve the following correspondence and the Treasurer's Bill List.

- Court Administrator's Monthly Report for September 2022
- Township Clerk's Monthly Report for September 2022
- Treasurer's Bill List

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

- YEAS: Haas, Marter, Ostrander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Baldorossi, Garganio

Unanimously approved by all members present – Motion carried

### **REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE**

None at this time.

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**APPLICATIONS**

None at this time.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Council Vice President Ostrander opened the meeting up to the public at this time.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, it was a motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Voice vote – All ayes.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2022-187  
Cancel Taxes on Property Owned by a Totally Disabled Veteran**

Motion of Marter, seconded by Haas to approve Resolution No. 2022-187.

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

- YEAS: Haas, Marter, Ostrander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Baldorossi, Garganio

Unanimously approved by all members present – Motion carried

**ORDINANCES**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-13  
Amending and Supplementing Chapter 91 Entitled Land Development, Including Article XI  
Official Map; Article XXXI Agricultural District; Article XXXVI Special Manufacturing; Article  
XXII General Provisions and Article XLI Special Manufacturing Overlay District  
in Accordance with the 2022 Master Plan  
(2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, Public Hearing and Adopt)**

Council Vice President Ostrander opened the meeting up the public at this time. Seeing no one wishing to be heard it was a Motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to close the public hearing. Voice vote – All ayes.

Motion of Marter, seconded by Haas to approve Ordinance No. 2022-13.

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

- YEAS: Haas, Marter, Ostrander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Baldorossi, Garganio

Unanimously approved by all members present – Motion carried

**ORDINANCE NO. 2022-14  
Bond Ordinance Providing for Acquisition of Public Works Vehicles and Equipment  
(Introduction and 1<sup>st</sup> Read) (2<sup>nd</sup> Read and Adopt on 10/19/22)**

Administrator Fazekas explained that Council had agreed a month ago to proceed with the purchase of Public Works equipment from Ford Motors. Ford is going to open up for a week in November for orders and this ordinance allows us to have the funding in place for that.

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Motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to adopt Ordinance No. 2022-14.

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

- YEAS: Haas, Marter, Ostrander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Baldorossi, Garganio

Unanimously approved by all members present – Motion carried

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND OFFICERS**

Council Representative Haas stated that the Economic Development Committee met and the packets are starting to go out to local businesses. Marty Eckert is the contact person handling the delivery of the packets of information to these businesses and it will also be on the website. There will be another update in the next month or so.

### **REPORTS: ADMINISTRATION**

#### **Administrator**

Administrator Fazkeas stated that Florence Township will be hosting a flu clinic at the Municipal Building in the courtroom on Thursday, October 27, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in coordination with the Burlington County Health Department. It is a walk-up clinic so no registration is required. Individuals 6 months of age and older are able to receive the vaccine. He thanked the County Health Department for bringing it back here again this year.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None at this time.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

None at this time.

### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

None at this time.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

None at this time.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Council Vice President Ostrander opened the meeting to the public at this time.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, it was a motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to close the public comment portion of the meeting. Voice vote – All ayes.

### **ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION**

- Resolution No. 2022-188 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: Personnel – Administration

Motion of Haas, seconded by Marter to adjourn to Closed Session at 7:09 p.m. Voice vote – all ayes.

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Council returned to the Regular meeting at 7:14 p.m. Vice President Ostrander called for a Motion to approve a Resolution to hire Christopher Santiago as the temporary Chief Financial Officer for a maximum of one-year. Motion of Marter, seconded by Haas to approve Resolution No. 2022-188.

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

- YEAS: Haas, Marter, Ostrander
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Baldorossi, Garganio

Unanimously approved by all members present – Motion carried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion of Marter seconded by Haas to adjourn. Voice vote – all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Erlston, RMC  
Township Clerk  
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