

Florence, New Jersey
November 13, 2013

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 Council President Sandusky at 8:47 PM, immediately following the Executive Session. President Sandusky led the Salute to the Flag.

The Opening Statement was read by the Township Clerk: Notice was sent to the Register News for information; posted on the municipal bulletin board; placed on the web-site on January 3, 2013; and advertised in the Burlington Co. Times on January 6, 2013.

Upon roll call the following were found to be present:

Frank Baldorossi
Ted Lovenduski
Paul Ostrander
David Woolston
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Mayor Craig H. Wilkie; Richard A. Brook, Township Administrator; Thomas A. Sahol, Assistant Township Administrator; Kelly Grant, Esq., Township Solicitor; Joy M. Weiler, Township Clerk

MINUTES

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

- Township Council Regular Session – October 9, 2013
- Township Council Executive Session – October 9, 2013

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Ostrander; seconded by Lovenduski, to receive and file the Court Administrator and Township Clerk's Reports for October. Roll call vote – all ayes. Motion carried.

It was on the MOTION of Woolston; seconded by Lovenduski to approve the **Treasurer's Bill List**.

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Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Lovenduski, Ostrander, Woolston, Sandusky

NOES: None

ABSENT: None Motion carried. Unanimous approval.

REGULAR CORRESPONDENCE None at this time.

APPLICATIONS None at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Council President Sandusky opened the meeting to the public for comments.

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, it was the MOTION of Ostrander, seconded by Baldorossi, to close the public portion of the meeting. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ORDINANCES None at this time.

RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-215
Refund of Permit Fee as per Construction Code Official**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-216
Approve Release of Performance Bond
LPM9044813
NFI Real Estate, Phase I
and Posting a Two Year Maintenance Bond**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-217
Authorizing a State Contract Purchase
to have a Unitary Surface Fall Attenuation Material
Installed at the
West Sixth Street Park Tot Lot and the
Veteran's Park Tot Lot**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-218
Approve Release of Performance Bond
No. 71206899
Florence Family Dental
and Posting a Two-Year Maintenance Bond**

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-207(a)
Resolution of the Township Council of the Township of Florence
Referring a Proposed Redevelopment Plan for
Parcels Within the Route 130 Redevelopment Area to the
Township of Florence Planning Board, and Directing
The Planning Board to Take Certain Action
Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(f)**

*Resolution No. 2013-207(a) Amends Resolution No. 2013-207
Approved on November 6, 2013 in Order to Correct a Typo
“Block 159” should Read “Block 158”*

Administrator Brook explained Resolution No. 2013-207(a). Last week a Resolution was approved that referred the Destination Maternity Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for their 11-18-13 meeting. They will be considering it Monday night. There was a minor typo in the Resolution passed. Instead of saying **Block 158** it said Block 159. It is best to make sure everything is done correctly. The Township Clerk revised the Resolution.

It was the MOTION of Baldorossi, seconded by Woolston to approve Resolution No. 2013-207(a), and 2013-215 through 2013-218.

Upon roll call, Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Lovenduski, Ostrander, Woolston, Sandusky

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried. Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

Council Member Baldorossi said he was watching the news that evening and there was a story about **Brian Richardson, Fire Official**. Mayor Wilkie said he noted at the **Veteran’s Day Program on November 11, 2013** that Mr. Richardson came back to full duty a few days ago, after the horrible accident on May 31, 2012. He was officially sworn in as the Fire Official on Monday. He is doing well, and there was an article in the Burlington County Times that explained there are still some hurdles for Brian but he is facing the challenges.

Council President Sandusky said there was a nice program for the **rededication** of the **Honor Roll in Roebling**. He thanked the organizers. He also thanked Mayor George Sampson for running a very nice program for Veteran’s Day at the Township Municipal Building. Every year the attendance seems to grow.

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Mayor

Mayor Wilkie said the Sunday rededication of the Honor Roll was sponsored by the Roebing Garden Club. It is the WWII Monument remembering those from the Village of Roebing who went off to war.

Mayor Sampson and Clerk Weiler organized the Veteran's Day ceremony that was held at 11:30 at the Municipal Building on November 11th. The guest speaker was Louis Gallagher, who shared some of his experiences as a Navy Seal. Mr. Gallagher and Mrs. Gallagher placed the wreath at the monument. Mayor Wilkie thanked American Legion Post 39 and American Legion Post 194 as well as the Opre Larson VFW 8838. He said the police and fire departments were there also. It was a very nice event and Post 194 continued the tradition of presenting the wreath at the original marker at Broad and Front Streets.

Mayor Wilkie wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

He reminded everyone there is a **Council Meeting on November 25**. The meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. It is a special meeting and it will not be long. It concerns the Redevelopment Plan for Destination Maternity at Whitesell. The plan will be reviewed by the Planning Board this Monday, then the Ordinance will be introduced by Council at the Special Meeting. Administrator Brook reminded everyone the meeting of November 25 is being held in the front conference room because court will be in session.

Mayor Wilkie said the **Annual Tree Lighting** at the Municipal Building is scheduled for December 6, 2013. There is a new Santa this year.

Administrator:

Administrator Brook said Sandra Blacker, the Chief Financial Officer, is working with Bond Counsel to go out for Bond Anticipation Notes to borrow the money short term for the purchase of open space on Hornberger Avenue. Starting in 2014 the township will make interest and principal payments. It will be paid down from the Open Space Trust Fund. If all goes well, the closing on the property will be in late December or early January.

Administrator Brook thanked Engineer Biegen for setting up a meeting with the Department of Transportation. It is not easy because the Transportation Department is very understaffed. They were extremely cooperative, helpful and receptive.

Work will begin in February or March at Duffy School. One of the requirements of the agreement with MEND is that the alley behind the back be one way heading east. If Council is receptive, it could be called **Marcella Duffy Way**. This was the suggestion of Assistant Administrator Sahol. All were in agreement to name the street to honor Marcella Duffy.

Assistant Municipal Administrator :Nothing at this time.

Division of Law: Nothing at this time.

Division of Engineering: Nothing at this time.

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Division of W & S Utilities: Nothing at this time.

Unfinished Business: Nothing at this time.

New Business: Nothing at this time.

Board of Health: Nothing at this time.

Miscellaneous: Nothing at this time.

Public Comments: Open to the Public

Seeing no one wishing to be heard, it was the MOTION of Lovenduski, seconded by Ostrander to close the public comment. All ayes.

8:50 PM MOTION by Lovenduski; seconded by Woolston to adjourn. Roll call vote - all ayes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

8:50 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER, RMC/MMC
Township Clerk

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