

Florence, New Jersey
March 16, 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 Township Clerk 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 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
Frank Baldorossi
Bruce Garganio
Elizabeth Ryan
Jerry Sandusky

Also present:

Michael Muchowski, Mayor; Richard Brook, Township Administrator (8:15 PM); Thomas Sahol, Assistant Administrator; Dante Guzzi, Township Engineer; William John Kearns, Jr., Township Solicitor; Joy Weiler, Township Clerk

MINUTES

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

Regular Session	January 19, 2005, February 2, 2005 and March 2, 2005
Closed Session	March 2, 2005

FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENCE

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky; seconded by Ryan to receive and file the Court Administrator's report, Chief of Police's report and Township Clerk's report for February. 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.

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APPLICATIONS

CATERING:

- 1) Roebing Vol. Fire Co. (Little League Opening) 4-16-05, 3PM – Midnight
- 2) Roebing Vol. Fire Co. (Florence Family Fitness) 7-1-05, 3PM - Midnight

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to approve the above applications.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

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

Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bill Bott, 64 Riverbank Drive, believes that the new school construction contract will be awarded at March 22, 2005 School Board meeting.

Mr. Bott asked that the Township fix the sign going into his development. Assistant Administrator Sahol explained that he looked at the sign. The sign is on private property and he cannot find any record that allows the sign to be there. Assistant Administrator Sahol will research further. Council Member Sandusky stated that if something were done with the sign he would like it moved to an area where it will be more visible.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-67

**AUTHORIZE REFUND
HANDICAPPED PARKING APPLICATION FEE**

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-68

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF CURRENT ESTIMATE NO. 16 FOR
RMS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 1985 DUTCH MILL ROAD,
FRANKLINVILLE, NJ 08322
NEW PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-69

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF CURRENT ESTIMATE NO. 3 (Final) FOR
THE EARL COMPANIES
FARMINGDALE, NJ 07727
2004 SIDEWALK PROGRAM**

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan that Resolutions 2005-67 through 2005-69 be approved.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinaro

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

ORDINANCES

**ORDINANCE NO. 2005-09
(2nd Reading)**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING
CHAPTER 120 – SOIL REMOVAL AND DEPOSIT OF THE FLORENCE
TOWNSHIP CODE TO REQUIRE THE RELOCATION OF ANY SOIL OR
EARTH REMOVED FROM A SITE WITHIN TO TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE
TO A LOCATION WHERE IT CAN BE PUT TO PUBLIC USE BY THE
TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE**

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Ryan to approve Ordinance No. 2005-09 on second reading for adoption.

Public Comment

Council President Fratinaro opened the meeting to the public for comments at this time.

Nothing at this time.

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Garganio to close the public hearing.
All ayes – motion carried.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinaro

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NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2005-10
(1st Reading)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE VACATING THE PUBLIC INTEREST IN A CERTAIN 20 FOOT WIDE STREET KNOWN AS TILTON LANE AND RUNNING FROM WALLACE AVENUE SOUTHERLY TO THE BURLINGTON-BORDENTOWN ROAD (U.S. ROUTE 130), TOGETHER WITH A CERTAIN 20 FOOT WIDE UNNAMED ALLEY RUNNING FROM AN INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID TILTON LANE EASTWARD TO PREMISES SHOWN AS LOT 6.01 IN BLOCK 109 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE VACATED AREAS SHALL BE INCORPORATED INTO LOTS 1 THROUGH 5, 7.01, 7.03, 8 AND 9, ALL IN BLOCK 109 AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF, AND LOCATED IN, THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE, BURLINGTON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

It was on the MOTION of Sandusky, seconded by Garganio to approve Ordinance No. 2005-10 on first reading and set adoption for April 20, 2005.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

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

Unanimous approval.

NOTE: Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, will provide the summary for publication to Clerk Weiler tomorrow.

REPORTS

Committees, Boards and Officers

- Council Member Sandusky asked about the date for the **Free Yard Sale Day**? Joy Weiler, Township Clerk, stated that it is usually in May and will have a date for approval in April.
- Council Member Baldorossi, on behalf of the **Little League**, thanked the **Public Works Department** for their help with the batting cage last week.

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Mayor Muchowski

- Mayor Muchowski thanked Council for their support of the **Florence Township High School Jazz Band's Café Night** and allowing **BurLink** to shuttle the ticket holders, which was utilized and successful. He stated that the band enjoyed playing at the Roebing Fire House and would like to hold other events there.
- Mayor Muchowski stated that he will be out of town from March 24th to April 2nd and by Proclamation appointed Chief Gordon Dawson as Acting Mayor in his absence. He wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Assistant Administrator

- Nothing at this time.

Township Solicitor

- Solicitor Kearns reported that he completed the Draft Truck Stop Ordinance. He believes it will be on April 6, 2005 Agenda.

Township Engineer

- Dan Guzzi, Township Engineer, stated that a Resolution needs to be approved allowing US Home to remove 20,000 cubic yards of soil.

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-70

**SOIL REMOVAL US HOME'S GREENBRIER
DEVELOPMENT**

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Ryan that Resolution 2005-70 be approved.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Garganio stated that the **Centennial Committee** may need additional **storage** and asked if there may be space available at the **old public works building**? He asked that space at the building be divided among the groups that need storage. Council Member Sandusky suggested installing a fire sprinkler system. Different systems were discussed.

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NOTE: 8:15 PM Administrator Brook present at this time.

Council Member Garganio questioned the **documentation & items** that were taken from the **Roebing Steel Mill Site** by **Rutgers**. Rutgers indicated that they would lend some of the materials to the museum, but the Township responded that the materials belonged to the Township. He asked if Rutgers has ever given an answer? Administrator Brook will follow up.

Administrator

- Administrator Brook stated that he received the Treatment Works Applications for **Tall Pines Water and Sewer**. He asked if Council would like to approve a Resolution this evening authorizing Alaimo Associates to submit the applications to the State?

RESOLUTION NO. 2005-71

**AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE NJDEP PERMITS
TWA AND BSDW
TALL PINES WATER AND SEWER, TALL TIMBER LANE AND
FLORENCE-BUSTLETON ROAD
BLOCK 2.01, 16; LOT 160.01**

It was on the MOTION of Garganio, seconded by Sandusky that Resolution 2005-71 be approved.

On the Question

Nothing at this time.

Upon roll call Council voted as follows:

YEAS: Baldorossi, Garganio, Ryan, Sandusky, Fratinardo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Unanimous approval.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Nothing at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mayor Muchowski discussed a request for help in funding a resident whose child was invited to attend a Young Leaders Conference. He has received similar requests in the past. He asked if Council minded if he approached the **school** regarding implementing a **fund raising program** to help with these types of events? Council in agreement for Mayor Muchowski to approach the school.

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Council Member Baldorossi announced that there will be a **Clean Up Roebbling Day** on Sunday, **April 3rd**. Everyone will meet at the park at noon. There will be a designated drop off point for trash, which the Township will pick up on Monday.

8:25 PM MOTION by Garganio, seconded by Sandusky to adjourn to Closed Session. Action may be taken following Closed Session. Roll call vote - all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT

8:25 PM: Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOY M. WEILER
Township Clerk

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