

REORGANIZATION MEETING OF JANUARY 7, 2014

CALL TO ORDER BY THE TOWN CRIER:

Town Crier Tim Yuskaitis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and made the following statement: My fellow Americans, this Country of ours is for the people and by the people. The United States of America is a republic, it is a democracy and as such, we the people gather each November in the election of our officials in government. We thank these people for exercising their voting privilege. Today, January 7 in the year of our Lord 2014, the good citizens of this beautiful town of Fair Lawn celebrate this election process by the installation of their elected officials. May God grant these honorable persons the wisdom, stamina, courage and devotion of duty for surely they will carry the torch of freedom and stand guard over this communities well being. Thank you!

PRESENTATION OF COLORS BY EMERGENCY SERVICES HONOR GUARD

FLAG SALUTE

VOCAL PERFORMANCE BY THE FAIR LAWN HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS

The Fair Lawn High School Chorus sang the National Anthem.

INVOCATION BY FATHER JOSEPH DOYLE

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, annual notice of all meetings of the Borough of Fair Lawn was published in "The Record" issue of December 20, 2013. Notices were also posted on the bulletin board located on the first floor of the Municipal Building; copies were mailed to The Community News and posted on the Borough of Fair Lawn website. The annual notice identified the meeting location and the time of Council Meetings and Work Sessions.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Cosgrove, Dunay, Lefkowitz, Peluso and Swain.

ALSO PRESENT: Manager Van Kruingen, Municipal Clerk Kwasniewski and Assistant Municipal Clerk Bojanowski.

SWEARING IN OF COUNCILMEMBERS: DUNAY AND LEFKOWITZ

Former Assemblyman Nicholas Felice swore in Daniel Dunay as Councilmember.

Judge Ellen L. Koblitz stated that before she swore in Amy, she wanted to share that she was an Appellate Division Judge in the State of New Jersey and have been on the bench twenty years. Amy was her law clerk in 2001/2002 and she swore her in as an Attorney and her other law clerk was her husband Tom so she takes full responsibility for Hannah. She also performed their wedding. She was thrilled to be asked to come here and swear in Amy in as a Councilmember for the Borough of Fair Lawn.

Judge Koblitz swore in Amy E. Lefkowitz as Councilmember.

NOMINATIONS FOR MAYOR:

Councilmember Lefkowitz and Councilmember Dunay nominated Councilmember Cosgrove as Mayor.

ELECTION OF MAYOR:

There being no further nominations, the time for nominations was closed. Upon motion by Councilmember Dunay and a second by Councilmember Lefkowitz, Councilmember Cosgrove was unanimously elected Mayor for the year 2014.

NOMINATION FOR DEPUTY MAYOR:

Councilmember Dunay nominated Councilmember Lefkowitz as Deputy Mayor. Mayor Cosgrove seconded the nomination.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR:

There being no other nominations, the time for nominations was closed. Upon motion by Mayor Cosgrove and a second by Councilmember Dunay, Councilmember Lefkowitz was elected Deputy Mayor.

NOMINATION FOR DEPUTY MAYOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz nominated Councilmember Dunay as Deputy Mayor of Community Affairs. Mayor Cosgrove seconded the nomination.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

There being no other nominations, the time for nominations was closed. Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Mayor Cosgrove, Councilmember Dunay was elected Deputy Mayor of Community Affairs.

SWEARING IN OF MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYORS:

Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno repeated what was said to her before she was sworn in 2005 as a Councilperson in her town. Justice Daniel J. O'hearn, who was the Democratic Mayor of Red Bank, told her the most important words were "under the authority of the people" and it does not matter if you are Democrat or Republican, the words are under the authority of the people. The people only care about two things and that is to make sure the streets are safe and clean and that the taxes are low. If you do those two things you will be re-elected each time no matter what your party is. She asked Councilmember Cosgrove to always keep that in mind when he takes the oath of office. As a former Councilperson, she congratulated the Mayor and newly elected Councilmembers. As the Lieutenant Governor, she was happy to be in Fair Lawn on behalf of the Governor. Please do not hesitate to call her.

Lieutenant Governor Guadagno swore Councilmember Cosgrove in as Mayor.

Lieutenant Governor Guadagno swore Councilmember Dunay in as Deputy Mayor of Community Affairs.

Lieutenant Governor Guadagno swore Councilmember Lefkowitz in as Deputy Mayor.

NEWLY ELECTED MAYOR ASSUMES THE CHAIR

Mayor Cosgrove assumed the chair:

MAYOR RELEASES THE COLORS BY EMERGENCY SERVICES HONOR GUARD

Captain Kneer retired the colors.

REMARKS OF THE MAYOR:

Mayor Cosgrove thanked the Color Guard which was made up of all of Fair Lawn's Emergency Services. He especially wanted to thank Captain Kneer for being here tonight. His Mom just passed away over the weekend and he really appreciated that he was dedicated enough to be here tonight to lead the Color Guard.

Mayor Cosgrove wished everyone a happy New Year! He thanked the people of Fair Lawn for giving him the honor and privilege to serve once again as your Mayor. Special thanks go out to Lieutenant Governor Kim Guadagno for being here and swearing the Councilmembers in. He also congratulated the two Deputy Mayors, Amy Lefkowitz and Dan Dunay. He was sure the people of Fair Lawn will learn soon what he knows about Dan and Amy. They are very bright,

energetic and hard working and easy to get along with. Over the past few weeks several residents have come to him telling him that they felt that this Council had great potential. He has no doubt that they will continue to work together and move Fair Lawn forward.

Over the past two years, he has had the opportunity to work with both Councilmember Swain and Councilmember Peluso and he will assure you that they were always working for the best interest of the people of Fair Lawn. He looks forward to working with them again in 2014.

Mayor Cosgrove thanked his family, loved ones and friends for their encouragement and support. Tonight, he was fortunate to have many of them with him. His three children, John, Kevin and Kerri Ann were present. He thanked them for their love, patience and understanding over the years. Also here tonight is his girlfriend, Mary Ann, whose unwavering support, love and encouragement keeps him going every day.

Last year he was fortunate to serve as Fair Lawn Mayor. While serving as Mayor he witnessed firsthand the things that make Fair Lawn such a great place to live and call their home. This is a diverse community but unlike places in our Country or in our world, our diversity is our strength. In Fair Lawn they help their neighbors who are less fortunate than themselves. We are a community that takes tragedy and turns it into random acts of kindness. This community rises to meet the needs of others, whether it is restocking our food bank, building an inclusionary park for people with different abilities, supporting those who were affected by Superstorm Sandy and sending food and money to people half way across the world in the Philippines after the recent typhoon. The people of Fair Lawn consistently answer the calls of others for help. Fair Lawn is a large town with a small town attitude.

Some may say that these are reasons why Fair Lawn was chosen as the number one city to live in New Jersey. However, he happened to believe it is mostly the efforts of the Borough employees, Police Officers, volunteers who through their efforts make Fair Lawn stand above the rest.

He has witnessed the generosity of so many of the civic organizations, Knights of Pythias, Knights of Columbus, Lions Club and both Rotary Clubs as they consistently give of their time, talent and money supporting worthy causes in Fair Lawn. Whether it is the Adopt-a-Soldier Platoon who sends care packages to the soldiers overseas, or the Garden State Grandmas that sew dolls for sick children in the hospital, the people of Fair Lawn give back to our community and pay it forward.

Last year he said when his grandparents came across the river from Paterson to Fair Lawn and his family has now been in Fair Lawn for over 100 years, they never dreamt that their grandson would be the Mayor of Fair Lawn.

Many of his friends kid him saying that Fair Lawn is the center of his universe. Tonight he considered himself fortunate to be able to serve as the Mayor of the town that he loves.

Tonight as they move forward, he believed that it gives him an opportunity to tell them their State of Affairs. These are still difficult times. The Borough is facing some of the same challenges that many other cities, towns and Borough's across our nation. The fact that the economy still struggles and the escalating obligation leaves the Borough in a situation where they must constantly examine the way they operate. Although these times are tough, this Council will look at the budget and continue to stabilize taxes while preserving many of the amenities that make Fair Lawn such a great place. He knows the entire Council stands committed to preserving these amenities such as the Library, Community Center, Senior Center and Memorial Pool. He was sure this Council would work together and keep these cornerstones of this community strong and preserve them for future generations.

In 2014 they will see the completion of the Promenade on Route 208. Also construction will start on the 64 units of affordable housing on the old Kem site for Senior Citizens. The Fair Lawn EDC will team up with New Jersey Transit and the Bergen EDC to do a study on the Radburn business district. The Planning Board will introduce the Master Plan. Finally in the spring, the long awaited painting of the water tower will be complete.

This year also brings with it new leadership for the Borough and the Police Department. There is a new Borough Manager, Jim Van Kruiningen, who has served the Borough for over twenty-three years and will bring continuity that is so desperately needed to the Manager's office. He congratulated Chief Cauwells, Captain Ron Patterson, Captain Bob Kneer and Lieutenant Dawicki and wished them good luck and let them know that they have the utmost confidence in them and their leadership abilities. He recognized the entire Police Department for achieving the accreditation last year making this department one of the most elite forces in the State of New Jersey.

The past two years while serving on the Council has reinforced his mind what a great town Fair Lawn really is. The volunteers, Fire, Rescue, EMS, and Auxiliary Police are second to none. They continue to show everyone what Fair Lawn can do when they work together.

He was looking forward to working with the Council and the people of Fair Lawn to help shape our future. Over the next twelve months he was sure they would be dealing with many complex issues but he wanted the citizens of Fair Lawn to know that they will continue to listen and work with the people.

In closing, he thanked everyone for coming out tonight on such a cold night. He also thanked all the people that make a positive contribution to Fair Lawn every day. He looks forward to meeting with the residents and working with the entire Council in 2014. He has high hopes and great expectations for Fair Lawn's future. Thank you! God bless you and may God bless the United States of America.

REMARKS OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR:

Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz wished everyone a happy new year. It was so nice to see so many of them here tonight. It is an honor and a privilege to be sitting here as your Deputy Mayor. She welcomed all of our former and current elected officials who are with us this evening. To the Lieutenant Governor she knows she spoke for Deputy Mayor Dunay how appreciative they are were for her being there to swear them in. She thanked Judge Koblitz for swearing her in as Councilmember. She was so thrilled that she could be part of yet another chapter in her life.

As she now sits in this seat, she has to acknowledge and thank all of the Borough's elected officials for their years of service and dedication to Fair Lawn, especially Jeanne Baratta and Ed Trawinski. She also thanked Mayor Cosgrove and Deputy Mayor Dunay for being the best running mate that she could have asked for. She also thanked all those who made sitting here possible.

She thanked her parents and brother who could not be present tonight and all of her family and friends, boss and mentor and most importantly her husband Tom and daughter Hannah for all their love and support. She could not do this without them.

She thanked the people of Fair Lawn for putting their trust in her and looks forward to working with all of the Council to serve in the years ahead. The campaigns are now over. She knew as Council they would work together along with the Borough employees and the volunteers as well as the people of Fair Lawn to continue to provide our great community with the services and leadership that make Fair Lawn the best town in New Jersey.

REMARKS OF THE DEPUTY MAYOR OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS:

Deputy Mayor Dunay said it was a great honor for him to be sitting there as a member of this Council. Moreover it fills him with gladness to be here among friends and family, Council colleagues, elected officials, Borough employees and volunteers and of course tonight, insulated walls and heat.

He would not be in that seat if it was not for the unflinching support he received from so many dear friends. He acknowledged the following people: His parents, Jim and Joanne who both grew up in Fair Lawn and have always pushed him to

do better. To his sister Jenna who never hesitates to tell him when he is saying something wrong. To his Grandmother Isabel Nicolosi who has spent half a century on Hunter Place and would never miss her Monday Bingo at Temple Beth Shalom. To his Aunt Lorraine, who was present tonight and to all of his aunts and uncles, many of whom grew up in Fair Lawn. He acknowledged all his friends from the civic organizations in town, many of whom that are present tonight, particularly the St. Anne's Knights of Columbus, the Filipino American Association, the Sunrise Rotary Club and of course the Fair Lawn Republican Club. Thanks to former Mayor Jeanne Baratta and Ed Trawinski for the profound leadership in igniting this movement in Fair Lawn. Finally, he thanked the elected officials that came out and especially Lieutenant Governor Guadagno for coming to Fair Lawn, County Executive Kathy Donovan, Freeholder Di Nicola, and a special thank you to former Assemblyman Nick Felice for swearing him in. Mr. Felice was one of the first people he met in politics when he was very young and he was very grateful that he was present tonight.

This is an exciting time in Fair Lawn. They are very fortunate to have Mayor Cosgrove back at the helm again. He knows no one more committed to Fair Lawn's future success than the Mayor. He is excited to be sitting here at his side. They also are very lucky to have a Deputy Mayor as capable and committed as Amy Lefkowitz. He and Amy worked closely on the campaign and were constantly inspired by her determination to deliver a positive outcome for Fair Lawn. He was glad too to work with Lisa Swain and Kurt Peluso. He hoped they share his view that they have a strong working relationship and hoped those relationships are ones that grow and thrive in the years ahead.

He knows there are still some individuals in town who may not be that excited about this administration even some who find it fitting that they are being sworn in on the coldest days in recent decades. His sincere hope that this new Council will work together to imbue the Borough leadership with a renewed sense of warmth and well meaning. It was his hope that before long, even though sometimes they may disagree, all of them will cause the town and everyone here to come to appreciate their determination to do good for the Borough.

They in Fair Lawn are very blessed to have a strong tradition of public service from the resident with the many civic and religious groups and the devoted volunteer organizations. He is encouraged tonight to serve alongside all of them and alongside all of the residents as a member of this Council. His pledge tonight to everyone present, to those watching on television and to everyone that has the best interest of this community at heart, is to do everything he can to support the Borough and allow it to survive. Fair Lawn is his home and it is home to his family and friends, neighbors and if they all work together with glad hearts and good meaning, he knows they will achieve great results for this town.

REMARKS OF COUNCILMEMBER PELUSO:

Councilmember Peluso thanked everyone for coming tonight. It was great to see so many elected officials and so many residents from Fair Lawn. It was amazing to look out at the audience to see so many representatives from so many volunteer organizations, boards and committees. There are people present from the different boards and committees, the Filipino organization, Freeholder Di Nicola, people from the 501(c)3, members of the ADA Committee and members of the Planning Board. It seems that almost everyone he was looking at was involved in some way. That is what makes Fair Lawn so great.

Over the past two years, it has been a pleasure serving on this Council. He has been able to do a lot of things that he planned on doing when he was first sworn in. He would listen to the residents and hear their issues and resolve them if he could. He pushed for the residents to please bring their concerns to the Council because that is how our democracy works. The Council was there to serve the people. The only way they can help is for the people to come to them to let the Council know what they need.

He mentioned some of the issues they dealt with these past two years. One resident had a complaint about noise because she had big bulldozers come in picking up dumpsters at 6:00 a.m. A simple thing like that was easy to change by pushing the time back to 7:00 a.m. It was great working with the business community and getting their support and for the residents to have that simple change which made a huge difference to some people.

On January 14th, the Council will be meeting with many residents who want to discuss the parking situation at the train station. That is great and that is how a democracy works. They have to see what issues the residents have and try to resolve them.

It has been a pleasure living in Fair Lawn all his life. This past Saturday, he had his first experience as being an All Sports Coach. He has been an All Sports participant and now being a coach for his oldest son has been a real pleasure seeing so many of the parents and the All Sports volunteers that are so devoted to the children. Going through this town as a child and now as a parent he sees how supportive this community is every step of the way. They help people from the time they are born to the time they die. His Grandmother is still a member of the Senior Center and leads the line dance every day. He said if she was watching, he wanted her to stop shoveling snow. There was a big issue last week when we had a foot of snow.

To the new Councilmembers, he looks forward to working with them and he thanked Ed Trawinski and Jeanne Baratta for their work on the Council in the past.

It was great seeing them tonight. He looks forward to working with everyone on a bi-partisan effort. He knows they will work hard. As Ed Trawinski always said, the past Council agreed 90% of the time and he hoped that this Council will be able to do better going forward.

REMARKS OF COUNCILMEMBER SWAIN:

Councilmember Swain stated it was great to see everyone tonight. As she starts her seventh year on the Council, she was honored to continue to serve the residents of this community. Over the last six years, she has fought to address the number one concern of residents - taxes. She has been their voice during budget sessions, always looking at ways to save the residents money. She will continue to look at new sources of revenue and a way to reduce the expenses while fighting to stabilize taxes over the next year.

While serving on the Planning Board, they approved the Promenade development which is about to open. This will bring new stores, housing and jobs to this area which will enhance the overall community. Many Borough residents will be able to access this area by bike, foot as well as by car. This brings to mind something that is important to the Borough. Without your health, nothing else really matters. There is nothing more important than protecting the health and safety of the residents. For six years she has worked to improve pedestrian safety whether it is at the Broadway train station, the intersection of Fair Lawn Avenue at Saddle River Road or along River Road.

One of the most recent improvements she brought to the Council was illuminated signs that the Crossing Guards will be using at the busiest intersections.

The Green Team launched a 3k walk this past year which raised money for a local food bank in Little Ferry. They also had a six week healthy eating program which they hope to continue this year through the one pound at a time initiative. Stay tuned for new activities in 2014.

Many of these improvements come from conversations the Council has had with residents, ideas that they bring to the Council and then they put them into action. An example of this was a couple of years ago a resident who asked them about keeping kids up to the age of 26 on the family pool plan at Memorial Pool. The Council adopted a resolution incorporating that. So now kids that are living at home can be included in the pool membership. With this in mind, she wanted to talk about communication and how important it is and how they should continue to keep communications open between residents and Councilmembers.

She asked the Municipal Clerk to put on a future Work Session how Councilmembers are informed of events and communications.

In closing, she welcomed the newest Councilmembers and Deputy Mayors and wished them a successful and productive term. She looks forward to working with her new colleagues and to gain consensus for the betterment of Fair Lawn. She wished everyone a very happy and healthy new year. The best is ahead of us.

She announced that the ADA Committee will be holding a dance this Friday night. It will be the kick off the New Year dance so anyone you know with special needs is welcome to come to the Community Center. She was happy to announce that there is a new program for children and teens with special needs for All Sports. It is called Stars Basketball. The program is for children ages 5 to 16 and will be held this Saturday at the Community Center. She wanted to thank Jeff Mazzola and Ken Dobler who has been spearheading this special needs program and also Mike Aversa who is President of All Sports. Thank you for their support and for being able to see their programs on their website.

Mayor Cosgrove introduced Freeholder Mora DiNicola. He acknowledged former Assemblyman, former Mayor and his Dad's former running mate, Nick Felice. There are two other former Mayors, Ed Trawinski and Jeanne Baratta. And as most of you know, there are seventy towns in Bergen County; our County Executive Kathy Donovan was present.

County Executive Kathy Donovan stated she was late because she was swearing in the new Councilmembers in Englewood Cliffs. It was great to be here. It's been three out of four years coming here. There is a part of the Oath, the words are "under the authority of the people", they are public servants and they get to do what they do because the people allow them to do that. She thanked them for giving her the opportunity personally to be the County Executive. Every day is an adventure. She is grateful for the opportunity to serve the people.

Mayor Cosgrove stated that as everyone knows Lieutenant Guadagno has a big job to do so he thanked her for coming to swear them in tonight. He wished her good luck and now she has their phone numbers. Lieutenant Guadagno said the Mayor now has her cell phone number and will give it out.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS

Municipal Clerk Kwasniewski read the following appointments:

- a. Library Trustees –Keely Coffey, Katie Scully, Diane Trawinski (Mayor's Designee)
- b. Environmental Commission Chairperson -Wendy Dabney
- c. Board of Education Shared Service Liaison – Councilmember Dunay, Councilmember Peluso
- d. Planning Board Mayor's designee – Dan Furphy

- e. Class II Planning Board Member – Benjamin Bontekoe
- f. Historic Preservation Commission - Felice Koplik (Class A), Jayshree Shah Patel (Class C), Richard Ball (Class B), Laura Lander (Alternate 1), Maureen Moriarty (Class C) Michael Rosenberg (Class C), Jasvinder Arjani (Class C)

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Councilmember Swain, the time for public comments on Agenda items only was opened.

There being no comments from the public, upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, the time for public comments was unanimously closed.

RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT #1-2014 COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS:

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Councilmember Swain, Consent Agenda 1-2014 containing the following items with the exception of Resolutions Nos. 14 and 15 was unanimously passed.

- a. Resol. No. 1-2014 - Professional Appraisal Services: Value Research Group
- b. Resol. No. 2-2014 - Professional Appraisal Services: McNerney & Assoc.
- c. Resol. No. 3-2014 – Professional Bond Counsel Services: Hawkins, Delafield & Woods
- d. Resol. No. 4-2014 - Borough Attorney: Ronald P. Mondello
- e. Resol. No. 5-2014 - Professional Surveyor Services: Rigg Associates
- f. Resol. No. 6-2014 - Professional Grant Writing Services: Capital Alternatives Corp.
- g. Resol. No. 7-2014 - Professional Risk Management Services: Professional Insurance Associates, Inc. (PIA)
- h. Resol. No. 8-2014 - Professional Services: Computer Maintenance Service – Edmunds and Associates, Inc.
- i. Resol. No. 9-2014 - Professional Services: Labor Attorney - Cleary, Jacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC
- j. Resol. No. 10-2014 - Professional Services: Environmental Consulting Services: Arcadis
- k. Resol. No. 11-2014 - Professional Services: Planner of Record - Taylor Design Group, Inc.

- l. Resol. No. 12-2014 – Professional Services: Nursing Services – The Valley Hospital
- m. Resol. No. 13-2014 – Professional Services: Health Educator – The Valley Hospital
- n. Resol. No. 14-2014 - Fire Officers
- o. Resol. No. 15-2014 - Liaison to Fire Board
- p. Resol. No. 16-2014 - Liaison to the Community Center
- q. Resol. No. 17-2014 - Senior Citizen Advisory Board
- r. Resol. No. 18-2014 - Rent Leveling Board
- s. Resol. No. 19-2014 - Holiday Celebrations
- t. Resol. No. 20-2014 - Property Maintenance/Facelift Committee
- u. Resol. No. 21-2014 - Insurance Commissioners Self Insurance
- v. Resol. No. 22-2014 - Fair Lawn Borough Garden Committee
- w. Resol. No. 23-2014 - Liaison to Alliance for Substance Abuse Prevention
- x. Resol. No. 24-2014 - Liaisons to RRIC, BIC, EDC
- y. Resol. No. 25-2014 - Loss Control Services – J.A. Montgomery Risk Control
- z. Resol. No. 26-2014 - Child Care Physician - Edward A. Sciano, Jr. MD
- aa. Resol. No. 27-2014- Interlocal Services Agreement with Ridgewood: Health Officer
- bb. Resol. No. 28-2014 - Public Action Compliance Officer
- cc. Resol. No. 29-2014 - Shade Tree Advisory Committee
- dd. Resol. No. 30-2014 - Interlocal Services Agreement with Ho-Ho-Kus: Health Officer
- ee. Resol. No. 31-2014 - Environmental Commission
- ff. Resol. No. 32-2014 - Appointing Joint Insurance Fund Commissioner
- gg. Resol. No. 33-2014 - Green Team Advisory Committee
- hh. Resol. No. 34-2014 - Broker of Medical and Dental: Professional Insurance Associates, Inc. (PIA)
- ii. Resol. No. 35-2014 - Health Care Physician – Dr. Marvin Wisch
- jj. Resol. No. 36-2014 - Volunteer Economic Development Administrator
- kk. Resol. No. 37-2014 - Planning Board
- ll. Resol. No. 38-2014 - Health Advisory Board
- mm. Resol. No. 39-2014 - Fair Lawn Arts Council

RESOLUTION NO. 14-2014 - FIRE OFFICERS

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Councilmember Swain, Resolution No. 14-2014 was passed with Mayor Cosgrove abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-2014 - LIAISON TO FIRE BOARD

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Resolution No. 15-2014 was passed with Mayor Cosgrove abstaining.

RESOLUTION NO. 40-2014 – APPOINTMENTS TO THE ZONING BOARD

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Resolution No. 40-2014 was passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 41-2014 - APPOINTMENTS TO THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Resolution No. 41-2014 was discussed.

Councilmember Swain stated she would not be voting for this resolution because she was disappointed in the Mayor because this was a political move. He removed a perfectly competent and enthusiastic person purely because she was a candidate. She thought it was really retaliatory and against the grain they were discussing.

Mayor Cosgrove thanked her for her comments. He appointed former Mayor Ed Trawinski in that spot who served on the Council for twelve years, had been the Mayor twice and has been the leading land use attorneys in New Jersey. He will not apologize for that appointment.

Councilmember Peluso stated that he agreed with keeping former Deputy Mayor Ed Trawinski on the Open Space Committee. He did believe there were some other people that could have been removed instead of the person that he chose.

Mayor Cosgrove stated the person he chose to remove from Open Space is still on two other committees and the Chairman of one. If it were political, this person would have been removed from all of them.

There being no further discussion, Resolution No. 41-2014 was passed with Councilmember Peluso and Councilmember Swain dissenting.

MANAGER'S APPOINTMENTS

Manager Van Kruijning announced the following appointments: Prosecutor Marc Ramundo, Public Defender Vanessa Sinisi Falkenstern, Alternate Public Defender Carl Spector, and Rent Leveling Board Attorney Charles Tregidgo.

RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT #2-2014

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Trawinski and a second by Deputy Mayor Baratta, Consent Agenda 2-2013 containing the following items was unanimously passed.

- a. Resol. No. 42-2014 - Cash Management Plan
- b. Resol. No. 43-2014 - Official Newspapers
- c. Resol. No. 44-2014 - Temporary Budget - Current Fund
- d. Resol. No. 45-2014 - Temporary Budget - Water Utility Fund
- e. Resol. No. 46-2014 - Petty Cash
- f. Resol. No. 47-2014 - Tax Assessment Interest
- g. Resol. No. 48-2014 - Annual Meeting Dates and Times
- h. Resol. No. 49-2014 - Defending Tax Appeals
- i. Resol. No. 50-2014 - Annual Sale of Delinquent Taxes
- j. Resol. No. 51-2014 - Authorizing the Issuance of Request for Qualifications for Green Acres Planner
- k. Resol. No. 52-2014 - Authorizing Renewal of Massage Establishment - Healthy Way and Massagist License - Wenfei Liu
- l. Resol. No. 53-2014 - Authorizing Renewal of Massage Establishment License - BRC Sauna & Spa, Inc.
- m. Resol. No. 54-2014 - Authorizing Tax Appeal Settlement - Hadco Company, LLC, 18-25 River Road
- n. Resol. No. 55-2014 - Authorizing Renewal of Massagist License - Woojon Han - Pure Nails & Spa
- o. Resol. No. 56-2014 - Authorizing Renewal of Massagist License - Ketevano Leluashvili - Medicine & Rehabilitation, P.C.

ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING:

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Councilmember Swain, it was unanimously agreed to read the following ordinance by title.

ORDINANCE NO. 2297-2014

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN 2000, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 125 "ZONING" TO ALLOW CERTAIN INCREASES IN MAXIMUM IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE RELATED TO "SWIMMING POOLS AND PERVIOUS PAVERS"

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Resolution No. 57-2014 introducing Ordinance No. 2297-2014 was unanimously passed.

RESOLUTION NO. 58-2014 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

11/26/13 - Regular Meeting

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Councilmember Peluso, Resolution No. 58-2014 was passed with Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and Deputy Mayor Dunay abstaining.

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC COMMENTS

Upon motion by Councilmember Peluso and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, it was unanimously agreed to open the time for public comments.

Jeanne Baratta, 12-02 Fair Lawn Avenue, stated they were there to say hello to everyone and happy New Year and to also wish the new Councilmembers the best. She knows they will all do terrific together and work together for the betterment of Fair Lawn because she knew they have it in their hearts and minds.

Edward Trawinski, 3-33 Lyncrest Avenue, said ditto.

H. Gelfand, Professor at James Madison University, offered his congratulations to the new members of the Council. He had a few comments about the fate of the Vanderbeck House and Naugle House. He hoped that the Council could work together in order to come up with some creative solutions for the properties to keep them as historically accurate as possible. Also, they could use Fair Lawn as the cutting edge of historic preservation and environmental protection in Bergen County. He prepared some photographs of houses he took during the summer showing some excellent examples of historic preservation.

Mayor Cosgrove informed him that the developer has called for a meeting with the Historic Preservation Commission at the end of the month. They will see what his plan is then.

Pam Coles, 13-34 George Street, congratulated everyone on the Council. This is we the people at the best. She thanked them for fighting to bring the integrity back in this town to keep the taxes down. They fought for what's right even though it wasn't the most popular thing to do. She hoped they continue that. Knowing at times the taxes have been increased but she knows over the last few years Ed Trawinski and Jeanne Baratta have fought terribly to keep the taxes low as well as increasing the surplus. She knows that has become a huge accomplishment. She hoped they continue to keep the taxes low as well as adding to surplus and keeping up the services.

Ms. Coles acknowledged Attorney Mondello and Manager Van Kruijning for their thankless jobs. She knows they do the right thing for Fair Lawn. She thanked them for keeping Fair Lawn and advising the Council to do the right thing.

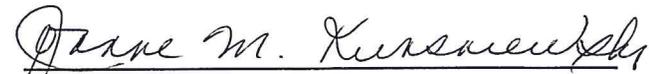
There being no further comments, upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz the time for public comments was unanimously closed.

BENEDICTION BY RABBI ALBERTO ZELICOVICH

ADJOURNMENT:

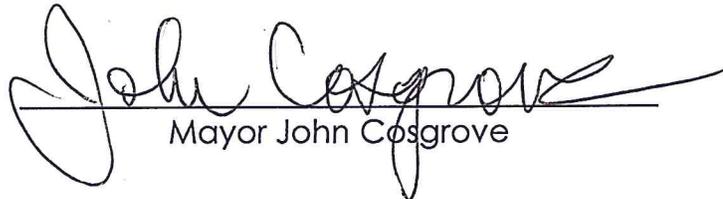
Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Councilmember Swain, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joanne M. Kwasniewski, RMC, CMC, MMC
Municipal Clerk

The undersigned have read and approve the foregoing minutes.

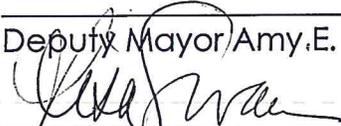


Mayor John Cosgrove



Deputy Mayor Daniel Dunay


Councilmember Kurt Peluso

Deputy Mayor Amy E. Lefkowitz


Councilmember Lisa Swain