

REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2014

Mayor Cosgrove called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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: Mayor Cosgrove, Deputy Mayors Dunay and Lefkowitz, and Councilmember Swain.

ABSENT: Councilmember Peluso

ALSO PRESENT: Manager Van Kruijning, Municipal Clerk/Deputy Manager Kwasniewski and Attorney Mondello.

PROCLAMATIONS: VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS

Mayor Cosgrove asked Jeff Mazzola to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Jeff Mazzola thanked the Mayor and Council for the proclamation. He stated that when Councilmember Swain contacted him about this he was completely blown away and humbled by this recognition especially since he knows how many volunteers he works with. The town is really fortunate to have the All Sports Organization, a private organization that is made up of volunteers. He also thanked Parks and Recreation Supervisor Jim Graff and the rest of the Recreation Department for the help they have provided. Mr. Mazzola also thanked the High School program.

Mayor Cosgrove stated that they know he sacrifices a lot of time to the community and they wanted to thank him for the time he has put in.

Pancreatic Cancer - Mayor Cosgrove thanked Andrea Millstein for being an advocate and for being present year after year. They know that she lost her husband to that disease. Mayor Cosgrove explained that the Borough also lost one of the Borough's beloved employees Matty Croughan from that disease.

Municipal Clerk / Deputy Manager Kwasniewski read the proclamation.

Andrea Millstein stated that Pancreatic Cancer Action Network is the only national organization creating hope in a comprehensive way through research, patient support, community outreach and advocacy for a cure.

Ms. Millstein stated that three and a half years ago her husband George, who was raised in Fair Lawn, passed away from Pancreatic Cancer. He fought a courageous battle for three years until he succumbed to this horrific disease. Together they raised their children in this wonderful community and are proud to continue to live here. The incidents and the death rates of Pancreatic Cancer are increasing. Pancreatic Cancer is anticipated to move from the fourth to the second leading cause of cancer related death in the United States by 2020. More over an estimated 1,220 will die from Pancreatic Cancer in New Jersey in 2014 and nationally it is estimated that 39,590 individuals will lose their battle to Pancreatic Cancer this year. Because there are no early detection tools or effective treatment just six percent of those diagnosed will have survived more than five years. This is the only cancer with a five year survival rate in the single digits.

Mrs. Millstein thanked the Mayor and Council for their important contribution to this national fight against Pancreatic Cancer by declaring November 2014 to be Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month in Fair Lawn to make the public aware of this disease and it's truly lethal nature.

Mayor Cosgrove thanked her for her courage and strength.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

Manager Van Kruijning stated that the Manager's Report has been submitted without change.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilmember Swain stated she supported Mrs. Millstein and all of the people who have suffered as a result of pancreatic cancer. She hoped by the little things they do that someday there will be a cure.

She congratulated Jeff Mazzola and his family on the award he received for Volunteer of the Year. She has known Mr. Mazzola a long time. He coached her younger daughter in soccer so she knows what a great coach he is and what a great person he is. He started the Stars Program for kids with special needs. Last week they had the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Berdan Playground which is an inclusionary playground for all kids. She explained that disabled kids can play side by side with able bodied children. It was so heart-warming to see the families celebrating and having a good time.

Councilmember Swain attended the Salute to Champions Breakfast at Bergen Community College to celebrate the people with special needs that have done so much. In the face of tremendous odds have gone on to the Special Olympics, have tremendous jobs and have really done things that some of us might think insurmountable but they have done it. It was really a very touching experience to be there.

Lastly, the ADA Committee is having a dance on November 7th which is being sponsored by the Veteran's Council. She thanked the Veterans for allowing this dance to go forward.

Councilmember Swain mentioned that there are two things going on for Halloween. In the afternoon River Road is sponsoring a Trick or Treat along River Road. The Borough will be holding the Trunk or Treat at the High School in the back lot at 6:30 p.m.

The Art's Council's self portrait's project deadline is November 11th. She suggested submitting something creative.

Deputy Mayor Dunay thanked Andrea Millstein and her family for everything they have done in support of pancreatic cancer awareness. It was amazing to see their endless devotion and commitment in seeking a cure. He knows that his sister walks with them every year. He felt it was important to do anything they could for such a devastating illness.

He felt that Fair Lawn was fortunate to have such amazing people as Jeff Mazzola and all the volunteers doing so much to make Fair Lawn what it is. Fair Lawn was so fortunate to have all of the volunteers in the emergency services and was so very thankful for their service.

The Sunrise Rotary Club sponsored the Service above Self Dinner at which they recognized Gail Cebular, Emil De Lucia and Inserra Supermarkets for everything they do for Fair Lawn. He thanked everyone for attending.

The Fair Lawn Food Pantry is constantly collecting food especially during the holidays. He mentioned that the Dutch House was also holding a food drive. They are calling it the Green Corbit Food Drive in honor of Richard Green and John Corbit. This year everything they collect will be donated to the Fair Lawn Food Pantry.

Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz congratulated Jeff Mazzola for everything he does for the community. She also recognized Ms. Millstein's commitment to pancreatic cancer. She attended the Service above Self Dinner and wished to congratulate those honorees as well.

She attended the River Road Street Fair which was chilly but many people attended.

Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz congratulated the Borough for receiving the outstanding achievement award in community traffic safety from the New Jersey American Automobile Association (AAA). She thanked the Police Department, Manager and the employees for everything they do to continue to make Fair Lawn safe.

She announced that the Ramsey Public Library will be having a program on gambling on Monday, November 17th at 7:30 p.m. Fair Lawn is in the process of finding a permanent drop off box for prescription substances so there will be a safe place for people to drop off unused medication.

She mentioned there was candy laced with marijuana and urged parents to be aware of it. She urged them to check all of the candy the children bring home.

Mayor Cosgrove commented that he knew Jeff Mazzola for a long time and is a very humble man who has done some extraordinary things. He thanked him for all his efforts for Fair Lawn.

He attended a forum regarding the \$135 million project of the Passaic Valley Water Commission to build two gigantic storage tanks. About thirty Mayors and State Legislators have banded together to find what the impact would be with the storage tanks. He was happy to read in the paper that they have put it on hold for now. He stated that Fair Lawn was concerned about a rate increase because of the project. Twenty - five percent of our water comes from Passaic Valley. There will be another meeting on November 17th.

He attended the St. Leon's Armenian Church's food festival. He was able to visit with a lot of the people in attendance.

Mayor Cosgrove thanked the Chamber of Commerce for the River Road Street Fair. He judged the antique car show in which he chose a 1938 Plymouth owned by a Fair Lawn resident.

He attended the AAA Traffic Awards with Chief Cauwels, Traffic Safety Officer Franco and Officer Tom Check where once again Fair Lawn was recognized as one of the top traffic safety programs in North Jersey. He congratulated the Police force and thanked them for that.

There was a ribbon cutting for Promenade Dental on Route 208. He wished them good luck.

Last Thursday night he attended the Salute to American Heroes which was sponsored by Adopt a Soldier Platoon, a Fair Lawn organization that was started

by Alan Krutchkoff and his wife Mary Edna. They raised over \$100,000 that night which will go to the troops. He offered a huge thank you to Alan and his wife for being such great patriots and for always taking care of the troops.

It was great to see the inclusionary park at Berdan Grove completed and have people use it. It will be an excellent park for a long time. He thanked the Co-Chairs, Marianne Pettineo and Steve Weinstein for the great job they did in bringing that playground to fruition.

Mayor Cosgrove attended the Fair Lawn Jewish Center's Meet the Mayor last weekend. He enjoyed speaking about Fair Lawn to its members.

He reminded everyone that the Trunk or Treat will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the back lot of the High School.

Councilmember Swain reminded everyone that next Tuesday is Election Day and voting is one of the most important activities they can do as citizens of this country.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING:

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Councilmember Swain, it was unanimously agreed to read the following ordinance by title and open the time for public comments.

ORDINANCE NO. 2322-2014 (RESOLUTION NO. 367-2014)

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR A CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT IN THE BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE RECEIPT, ACCEPTANCE AND DEPOSIT OF FUNDS THEREFORE

There being no comments by the public, upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, it was unanimously agreed to close the time for public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, Résolution No. 367-2014 adopting Ordinance No. 2322-2014 was unanimously passed.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, it was unanimously agreed to read the following ordinance by title and open the time for public comments.

ORDINANCE NO. 2323-2014 (RESOLUTION NO. 368-2014)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 170 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN 2000 ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" AND CHAPTER 208 ENTITLED "STREETS AND SIDEWALKS"

There being no comments by the public, upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, it was unanimously agreed to close the time for public hearing.

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, Resolution No. 368-2014 adopting Ordinance No. 2323-2014 was unanimously passed.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, it was unanimously agreed to read the following ordinance by title and open the time for public comments.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2324-2014
(RESOLUTION NO. 369-2014)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN 2000, BY AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 173 ENTITLED "PUBLIC HEALTH NUISANCES", SUBSECTION 173-2. PROHIBITED CONDITIONS"

There being no comments by the public, upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, it was unanimously agreed to close the time for public hearing.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Councilmember Swain, Resolution No. 369-2014 adopting Ordinance No. 2324-2014 was unanimously passed.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, it was unanimously agreed to read the following ordinance by title and open the time for public comments.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2325-2014
(RESOLUTION NO. 370-2014)**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 170 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF FAIR LAWN 2000 SPECIFICALLY TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENTS AND BUDGET AND FISCAL PROCEDURES" AND MORE PARTICULARLY ARTICLE II ENTITLED "THE COUNCIL" BY ADDING SECTION 2-20 TO BE ENTITLED "ELIMINATION OF BOROUGH-FUNDED HEALTH BENEFITS"

There being no comments by the public, upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, it was unanimously agreed to close the time for public hearing.

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, Resolution No. 370-2014 adopting Ordinance No.2325-2014 was unanimously passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, 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 # 20-2014

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Consent Agenda No. 20-2014 containing the following items was unanimously passed.

- a. Resol. #371-2014 - Approval of Minutes:
Special Meeting 9/30/14
Regular Meeting 10/14/14
- b. Resol. #372-2014 - Refund of Overpayment of Taxes
- c. Resol. #373-2014 - December Holiday
- d. Resol. #374-2014 - Licensing Agreement: 38-39 Victoria Road
- e. Resol. #375-2014 - Authorizing Issuance of Request for Proposals
- f. Resol. #376-2014 - Confirmation of Fire Board Actions

RESOLUTION NO. 377-2014 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Work Session 10/7/14
Closed Session 10/7/14

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz, Resolution No. 377-2014 was passed with Deputy Mayor Dunay abstaining.

**RESOLUTION NO. 378-2014 - RENEWING THE GROUP DENTAL BENEFITS PROGRAM
WITH DELTA DENTAL**

Upon motion by Councilmember Swain and a second by Deputy Mayor Dunay, Resolution No. 378-2014 was passed with Mayor Cosgrove recusing himself.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

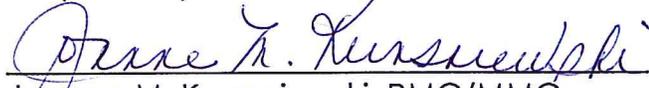
Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Lefkowitz and a second by Councilmember Swain, it was unanimously agreed to open the time for public comments.

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

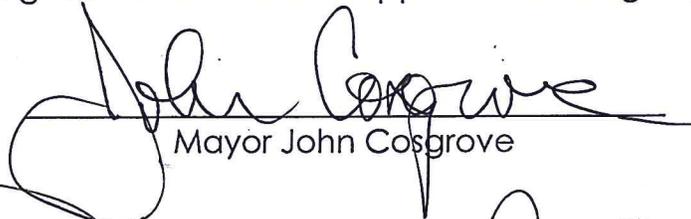
ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Dunay and second by Councilmember Swain the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

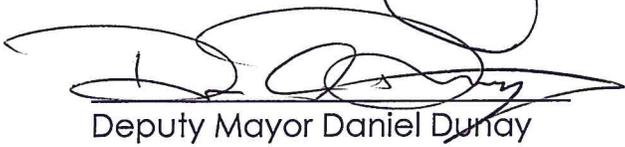
Respectfully submitted,


Joanne M. Kwasniewski, RMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk/Deputy Manager

The undersigned have read and approve the foregoing minutes.



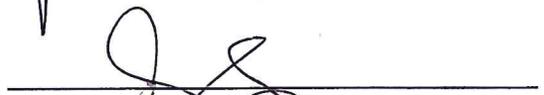
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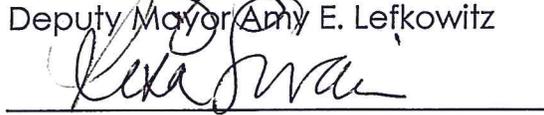


Deputy Mayor Daniel Dunay

Absent

Councilmember Kurt Peluso



Deputy Mayor Amy E. Lefkowitz


Councilmember Lisa Swain