

SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 5, 2005

Mayor Ganz called the meeting to order at 10:29 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Ganz, Deputy Mayors Etlar and Weinstein, and Councilmembers McCarthy.

ABSENT: Councilmember Caan

ALSO PRESENT: Manager/Municipal Clerk Kwasniewski, Assistant Municipal Clerk Bojanowski and Attorney Lustgarten.

RESOLUTIONS BY CONSENT NO. 12-2005

Upon motion by Councilmember McCarthy and a second by Deputy Mayor Weinstein, Consent Agenda No. 12-2005 containing the following item was unanimously adopted.

- a. Resol. #137-2005 - Award of Bid: Sprinkler Repair / Modification, Time and Material

RESOLUTION NO. 138-2005 - Authorizing Execution of Letter of Intent

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Weinstein and a second by Deputy Mayor Etlar, Resolution No. 138-2005 was discussed.

Mayor Ganz stated that this is the most important resolution that this Council has voted on, in his opinion, in the last five years and maybe the entire time that he has been on the Council. This is going to revolutionize the way that health care is provided for the Borough employees and it is going to effect savings immediately to the taxpayers of the Borough. The Borough Attorney said that they have the legal ability to do this since they are giving the identical level of service and the identical providers and the identical level of medical treatment with the exception of out of network hospital charges. They have agreed that the Borough will fund that. During the last couple of years there has been a modest amount of that, limited to under \$10,000 in the last two years and they do not anticipate that this will change substantially. Even if it does the amount of savings is overwhelming.

Attorney Lustgarten gave credit to the Borough Manager and also to the Insurance Consultant, Stuart Migdon, without the two of them, frankly this would not have occurred. The amount of time and effort discussing and negotiating, tweaking, refining, etc. with Horizon was truly a monumental task. This will be a tremendous savings to the Borough. They have a right to do this since they are providing equal or better coverage. He also commended Matt Giacobbe, Labor Counsel for his assistance. There are two small coverages in the PPO which are actually better than Medallion. The bottom line, however, is that the cost for the family plan, parent/child, husband/wife and individual, is so much less expensive to the Borough than the Medallion plan there will be monumental savings for the Borough. He and the Borough Manager both recommended this.

There being no further discussion, Resolution No. 138-2005 was unanimously passed.

ADJOURNMENT TO WORK SESSION

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Etler and a second by Councilmember McCarthy, the meeting was adjourned to the Work Session at 10:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn B. Bojanowski, RMC
Assistant Municipal Clerk

The undersigned have read and approved the foregoing minutes.

David L. Ganz, Mayor

Absent
Councilmember Allan Caan

Deputy Mayor Martin Etler

Councilmember Owen McCarthy

Deputy Mayor Steven Weinstein