

SPECIAL MEETING OF DECEMBER 9, 2004

Mayor Ganz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Assistant Municipal Clerk Bojanowski read the following statement of compliance:

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 19, 2003 and July 23, 2004. Notices were also posted on the Bulletin Board located on the First Floor of the Municipal Building and at the Maurice Pine Free Public Library, copies mailed to The North Jersey Herald and News. The Annual Notice identified the meeting location and the time of the Council Meetings and Work Sessions.

PRESENT: Mayor Ganz, Deputy Mayors Etler and Weinstein, Councilmembers Caan and McCarthy (late - 8:05 a.m.)

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

Deputy Mayor Weinstein stated the North Jersey Council for Boy Scouts asked for a contribution to their organization. He suggested that since the New Jersey State Constitution does not allow such contributions, they send a letter to explain why they cannot make the contribution. Mayor Ganz asked Manager/Municipal Clerk Kwasniewski to send a letter.

Mayor Ganz acknowledged Charles Austin leaving the Bergen Record to resume a ministry. He wished him well. He stated the First Amendment is a high authority but the authority he is seeking the call of is even a higher one. He added he may not have always agreed with everything that he wrote but felt he was a fair and square reporter and a very good one and enjoyed working with him.

Deputy Mayor Etler echoed what Mayor Ganz said and that 98% of his stories were true and accurate and wished him the best.

Deputy Mayor Weinstein stated Mr. Austin was always balanced with his views and reports and expressed his appreciation.

Councilmember Caan echoed what everyone else said and felt it was an interesting experience.

Mr. Austin stated they did not mess up enough for him to write anything else.

MISCELLANEOUS PUBLIC COMMENTS:

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

No one wished to be heard.

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

RESOLUTION BY CONSENT #30-2004:

Upon motion by Deputy Mayor Etler and a second by Councilmember McCarthy, Consent Agenda 30-2004 containing the following items was unanimously adopted.

- a. RESOL. #344-2004 - EXTENSION OF COAH SECOND ROUND SUBSTANTIVE CERTIFICATION

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon motion by Councilmember McCarthy and second by Deputy Mayor Weinstein, the meeting was adjourned at 8:07a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn B. Bojanowski, RMC
Assistant Municipal Clerk

The undersigned have read and approve the foregoing minutes.

Mayor David L. Ganz

Councilmember Allan Caan

Deputy Mayor Martin Etler

Councilmember Owen McCarthy

Deputy Mayor Steven Weinstein