

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION

This Ordinance #2042 published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield held on December 7, 2015. It will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing to be held on December 21, 2015, at the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at which time and place any persons desire to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies are available free of charge at the Municipal Clerk's Office prior to the public hearing. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication according to law.

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 2042

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A "PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS COMMITTEE".

WHEREAS, the Public Celebrations committee has existed within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, it does not appear that the Public Celebrations Committee was created pursuant to ordinance, and the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield wishes to establish the Public Celebrations Committee in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Code of the Borough, Chapter 17, Titled "Boards, Committees and Commissions" shall be amended to add Article VI to be titled "Public Celebrations Committee", and to include the following sections:

17-36. ESTABLISHMENT, MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS; COMPENSATION:

a. The Public Celebrations Committee shall consist of 11 members. Each member shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council.

b. Each member shall be appointed for a three-year term with the exception of appointments to be made effective January 1, 2016. There are presently five terms which shall expire as of December 31, 2015. At the discretion of the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council, appointments to three of such positions shall be for three-year terms; one such position shall be for a one-year term; and one such position shall be for a two-year term.

c. All members of the Public Celebrations Committee shall serve without compensation.

17-37. QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP:

Qualifications for membership are as follows:

a. A resident of the Borough of South Plainfield.

b. Over the age of 18.

c. No elected or appointed official of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be a member. This prohibition is intended to apply to current elected or appointed officials, and is not intended to apply to past elected or appointed officials, or to past or present members of the Board of Education.

17-38. MEETINGS; CHAIRPERSON:

The Public Celebrations Committee shall meet regularly, and shall, at its first meeting of each year, elect from its number a chairperson who shall preside over all meetings.

17-39. RULES AND BY-LAWS:

The conduct of the Public Celebrations Committee at its meetings and activities shall be governed by rules and by-laws which shall be established by the Committee.

17-40. POWERS AND DUTIES:

The Public Celebrations Committee shall be responsible for the planning, organization and execution of events, activities, parades and the like designed help the Borough celebrate any holiday, event, or occurrence, which is determined worthy or desirable to be honored and celebrated. They may utilize individuals or organize support groups of volunteers with the authorization and consent of the Governing Body to assist in the duties. They shall lend their advice to the Governing Body on all matters within their jurisdiction.

17-41.

The Public Celebrations Committee shall report to the Recreation Committee of the Borough Council. Any funds appropriated for the Public Celebrations Committee by the Governing Body shall be disbursed by the Office of the Borough Administrator. Any payment on account of expenses or claims must be supported by vouchers.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with New Jersey law.