

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 6, 2013, 7:02 P.M.
PUBLIC MEETING**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Anesh read the sunshine statement and announced that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and all provisions of that Act have been met with adequate notice of this meeting having been provided to the Borough's two official newspapers and also published on the Borough's website.

The roll call was administered by Clerk Antonides as follows:

COUNCIL	Present	Absent	Late
Councilman Barletta	x		
Councilman Bengivenga	x		
Councilman Diana	x		
Councilman McConville	x		
Councilman White	x		
Council President Rusnak	x		
Mayor Anesh	x		
ALSO PRESENT			
Administrator Cullen	x		
Clerk Antonides	x		
Attorney Rizzo	x		
Engineer Miller	x		

Flag Salute: was led by Mayor Anesh and Councilman Diana led the invocation.

Proclamation / Presentation: Mayor Anesh read the proclamation in full honoring the South Plainfield High School Wrestling Team. Mayor Anesh called up first the Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores, Freshman, the Managers and finally the Coaches. A proclamation was presented to each one. Photographs were taken and a round of applause was extended. The coaches spoke a few words. Mayor Anesh then called forth Anthony Ashnault and Scott Delvecchio and presented them both with a plaque. The audience extended a standing ovation to them. At this time, 7:35, Mayor Anesh called for a brief recess. Mayor Anesh called the meeting back to order at 7:38 p.m. and read the following proclamations in full: Older American's Month – May, 2013, Municipal Clerk's Week – May 5th – 11th, 2013, and Police Week – May 12th – 18th, 2013. Mayor Anesh made mention of how last week a proclamation was presented to Mr. Michael Mastropietro, Sr. in celebration of his 92nd Birthday.

Approve Council Minutes:

- April 15, 2013 - Agenda
- April 15, 2013 – Public
- April 15, 2013 – Executive

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			x				
Councilman Bengivenga		x	x				
Councilman Diana			x				
Councilman McConville			x				
Councilman White	x		x				
Council President Rusnak			x				
VOTE:			6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

Public Comment For Agenda Items Only:

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment.
With no comments made from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

ORDINANCE – SECOND READING BY TITLE – was read by Clerk Antonides.

#1987 AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2013 AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK WHEN THE COLA IS EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN 2.5 PERCENT PUSURANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments from the public. Mayor Anesh asked the Council if they had any comments. With no comments made, Mayor Anesh called for a motion to adopt:

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta	x		X				
Councilman Bengivenga			X				
Councilman Diana				x			
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White		x	X				
Council President Rusnak			X				
		VOTE:	5	1			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING BY TITLE – Clerk Antonides announced that the Public Hearing is set for May 20, 2013, at approximately 7:00 p.m.

#1988 AN ORDINANCE THAT CREATES CHAPTER 17, ARTICLE VI OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD THAT ESTABLISHES THE MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION OF THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD ALLIANCE FOR SUBSTANCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE (SPASA)

**CHAPTER 17
ARTICLE XI**

“SOUTH PLAINFIELD ALLIANCE FOR SUBSTANCE AWARENESS COMMITTEE (SPASA)”§ 17-36. Findings.

In March 1989, the New Jersey Legislature created the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse and an Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (P.L. 1989, c. 51; N.J.S.A. 26:2BB-1 et seq.).

The Alliance to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse is dedicated to a comprehensive and coordinated effort against alcoholism and drug abuse and is a means for implementing policies to reduce alcoholism and drug abuse.

A South Plainfield Borough Municipal Alliance Committee, in consultation with the County Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, shall identify alcoholism and drug prevention, education and community needs; implement programs; become a member of the Alliance effort; and be eligible to receive State funds to assist the programs developed by the South Plainfield Borough Municipal Alliance Committee.

§ 17-37. Establishment; Membership; Organization.

The South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness (SPASA) Committee ("Alliance Committee") is hereby established. The membership of the Alliance Committee for SPASA shall include broad representation of no fewer than four (4) persons from the Borough.

Membership may include, but does not have to have each represented, but shall not be limited to: a Mayoral representative; the Chief of Police or his/her representative; the Superintendent of Schools or his/her representative; a student assistance coordinator; a representative from a Parent Teacher Association; a representative of the Chamber of Commerce, including, but not limited to, local business and industry representatives; representatives of local civic associations; representatives of local mental health agencies and local treatment and prevention providers; a representative of local religious groups; and private citizens, including youth representatives and youth and adults recovering from drug and/or alcoholic abuse.

Members may be appointed by the Mayor for alternately arranged terms of three (3) years. The Mayor shall approve of the Chairperson, Vice Chairperson and Secretary selected by the Alliance Committee from among its members each to serve for one (1) calendar year. Bylaws shall be adopted by the Alliance Committee with the approval of the Mayor and Borough Council. Regular meetings shall be held with a calendar of meetings established in advance. A quorum consisting of a majority of the full Alliance Committee is required for decisions. Minutes shall be taken to serve as a record. Minutes shall be formally approved by the membership of the Alliance Committee. Once minutes are approved by the Alliance Committee a copy is to be submitted to the Municipal Clerk's Office. Standing and ad hoc committees may be established.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga			X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White		x	X				
Council President Rusnak	x		X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 2013-157

AUTHORIZING THE DEDICATION OF THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD RECYCLING CENTER TO MARY MAZEPA AT THE REQUEST OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, Mary B. Mazepa was a member of the South Plainfield Environmental Commission for some ten years from 1984 until 1993; and

WHEREAS, as Chairwoman of the Environmental Commission Recycling Committee, Mrs. Mazepa was instrumental in establishing a recycling program in the Borough, and served as the Borough's first Recycling Coordinator as well as the first Chairwoman of the South Plainfield Recycling Commission; and

WHEREAS, through her dedication and foresight, the South Plainfield Recycling Center was so well designed and operated that the Borough was able to comply with New Jersey's Mandatory Recycling Act in 1987 by welcoming all Borough residents and businesses to bring their recyclable waste there; and

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Recycling Center continued to serve as an integral part of the Borough's recycling program, which made curbside collection available to all residents; and

WHEREAS, the Recycling Center continues to this day to offer residents and businesses access to recycling services, which many rely on exclusively; and

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Environmental Commission has called upon the Governing Body of South Plainfield to support their wishes to dedicate in Mary B. Mazepa's memory the Recycling Center of South Plainfield;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield do hereby support the request of the Environmental Commission to dedicate the South Plainfield Recycling Center in Mary B. Mazepa's memory and rename said Recycling Center to "The South Plainfield Mary B. Mazepa Recycling Center".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Dr. Alice Temple, Recycling Coordinator/Environmental Specialist
2. South Plainfield Environmental Commission

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-158
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID TO ANPE CORPORATION FOR HOUSING REHABILITATION
PROJECT FOR CONNELLY OF 910 ARLINGTON AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$17,453.00**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Authorization is hereby given award a contract to ANPE Corporation for housing rehabilitation project for Connelly of 910 Arlington Avenue of in an amount not to exceed \$17,453.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-159
AUTHORIZING AWARD OF BID TO UTOPIA CORPORATION LLC FOR HOUSING
REHABILITATION PROJECT FOR KONOPS OF 227 EAST FAIRVIEW AVENUE IN
AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,500.00**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Authorization is hereby given award a contract to Utopia Corporation LLC for housing rehabilitation project for Konops of 227 East Fairview Avenue of in an amount not to exceed \$8,500.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-160
AUTHORIZING A WAIVER OF A FIRE PERMIT FEE FOR THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD HIGH
SCHOOL PTO'S "PROJECT GRADUATION AUCTION" THAT WAS HELD ON APRIL 20, 2013**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:
 Authorization is hereby given to waive the fire permit fee for the South Plainfield High School PTO's "Project Graduation Auction" that was held on April 20, 2013.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-161
 AUTHORIZING THE BY-LAWS OF THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD ALLIANCE FOR SUBSTANCE
 AWARENESS COMMITTEE (SPASA)**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:
 Authorization is hereby given to approve and authorize the use of the By-Laws for the South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness Committee (SPASA)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 13-162
 AMENDING RESOLUTION #13-107 WHICH NOW AUTHORIZES AWARD OF CONTRACT TO
 ABSOLUTE FIRE PROTECTION TO REBUILD EXISTING PUMP FOR A FIRE ENGINE IN AN
 AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.00 OPPOSED TO \$17,000.00**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes award of contract to Absolute Fire Protection to rebuild existing pump on a fire engine in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Glenn Cullen, CFO
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION #13-163

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE FROM TELVUE OF A VIDEO SERVER, ON –LINE BULLETIN BOARD, AND A CAROUSEL CHANNEL SYSTEM FOR SPTV IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,142.50

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes from TELVUE a purchase of a video server, on-line bulletin board, and a carousel channel system for SPTV in an amount not to exceed \$6,142.50.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION #13-164

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE FROM MIKE BUTEAS CONSTRUCTION, LLC OF A TROPHY CASE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500.00

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a purchase from Mike Buteas Construction, LLC of a trophy case in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga		X	X				
Councilman Diana				X			
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak	X		X				
		VOTE:	5	1			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-165
AMENDING AND CORRECTING RESOLUTION 13-131
CONCERNING THE AWARDED BID TO WASTE MANAGEMENT
FOR RECYCLABLE MATERIAL COLLECTION SERVICE.**

WHEREAS, on April 15, 2013, Resolution 13-131 was adopted which set forth bids received for recyclable material collection service pursuant to Option I for a three-year term in an amount not to exceed \$428,640.00; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution set forth that Waste Management of 107 Silvia Street, Ewing, New Jersey was the low bidder, and the award of contract was to Waste Management; and

WHEREAS, the conclusory paragraph of Resolution No. 13-131 contained a typographical error in that it authorized the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute the necessary agreement with Republic Services, identifying said company as the lowest responsible bidder for the services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that Resolution No. 13-131 is amended to reflect that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are authorized to execute the necessary agreement with Waste Management, the lowest responsible bidder for the services described, with regard to the recyclable material collection service pursuant to Option I for a three-year term in an amount not to exceed \$428,640.00.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta					X		
Councilman Bengivenga					X		
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville	X		X				
Councilman White							X
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	3	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 2013-166
AUTHORIZING A 2013 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$1,125,000.00 IN THE CURRENT FUND

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40a:4-19 Local Budget Act provides that where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is prior to the adoption of the FY 2013 Budget, and

WHEREAS, the temporary budget set forth below does not exceed twenty six and one quarter percent of the total appropriations in the previous year’s budget (exclusive of any appropriations made for Debt Service, Capital Improvements Fund and Public Assistance).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that the temporary appropriations are hereby amended to add the following amounts and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer.

Borough of South Plainfield				
Temporary Budget Amendment				
CALENDAR YEAR 2013				
CURRENT FUND				
			AMOUNT	
3-01-20-110-000-101	Executive	S&W	10,000.00	
3-01-20-130-000-101	Finance	S&W	15,000.00	
3-01-20-140-000-101	Computers	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-20-145-000-101	Tax Collection	S&W	5,000.00	
3-01-23-220-000-601	Health Insurance	O&E	50,000.00	
3-01-25-240-001-101	Police	S&W	250,000.00	
3-01-25-240-001-204	Police	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-25-240-003-241	Crossing Guards	O&E	25,000.00	
3-01-25-250-000-101	911	S&W	100,000.00	
3-01-25-265-001-201	Fire Department	O&E	20,000.00	
3-01-25-265-002-101	Fire Official	S&W	50,000.00	
3-01-25-265-003-581	Fire Service Charges	O&E	50,000.00	
3-01-26-290-001-101	Public Works Admin	S&W	25,000.00	
3-01-26-290-002-101	Road Repairs & Maintenance	S&W	50,000.00	
3-01-26-290-002-235	Road Repairs & Maintenance	O&E	15,000.00	
3-01-26-305-003-101	Recycling	S&W	10,000.00	
3-01-26-305-003-235	Recycling	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-26-310-000-101	Public Buildings & Grounds	S&W	25,000.00	
3-01-26-310-000-235	Public Buildings & Grounds	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-26-315-000-101	Vehicle Maintenance	S&W	10,000.00	
3-01-26-315-000-215	Vehicle Maintenance	O&E	5,000.00	
3-01-27-335-001-101	Environmental Commission	S&W	5,000.00	
3-01-27-335-001-515	Environmental Commission	O&E	500.00	
3-01-28-370-001-101	Recreation	S&W	25,000.00	
3-01-28-370-001-209	Recreation	O&E	1,000.00	
3-01-28-370-002-101	Office on Aging	S&W	25,000.00	
3-01-28-370-002-236	Office on Aging	O&E	2,000.00	
3-01-29-390-000-235	Library	O&E	122,954.00	
3-01-30-420-000-235	Celebrations & Events	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-31-420-001-555	Electric	O&E	50,000.00	
3-01-31-435-002-555	Street Lights	O&E	125,000.00	
3-01-31-440-001-541	Telephone	O&E	25,500.00	
3-01-31-465-001-565	Gasoline	O&E	10,000.00	
3-01-36-472-000-675	SSI	Statutory	10,000.00	
3-01-43-490-000-101	Court	S&W	16,000.00	
3-01-36-471-000-681	PERS	Statutory	480,335.00	
3-01-36-475-000-683	PFRS	Statutory	1,325,711.00	
3-01-43-490-000-101	Court	S&W	16,000.00	
TOTAL CURRENT FUND			3,005,000.00	
Pool				
3-26-55-520-000-101	Pool	S&W	25,000.00	
3-26-55-520-000-215	Pool	O&E	25,000.00	
TOTAL Pool			50,000.00	

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 13-167
AUTHORIZING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MARIO ABBRUZZESE, AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER AT AN ANNUAL PART TIME SALARY OF \$15,000.00 WITH NO BENEFITS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, in the State of New Jersey, that it hereby confirms the re-appointment of Mario Abbruzzese as Code Enforcement Officer filling a one year term effective July 1, 2013 to Expire June 30, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salary for this position is an annual salary of \$15,000 per year and is contained within the Salary Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 Mario Abbruzzese, Code Enforcement Officer
 Marie Dudek, Payroll

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 13-168
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF 15 OPTIPLEX 3010 COMPUTERS FROM DELL
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ 11,113.05

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a NJ State Contract purchase of 15 OPTIPLEX 3010 Computers from Dell in an amount not to exceed \$11,113.05 pursuant to NJ State Contract Numbers WN88ABZ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
 Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 13-169
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF 7 19 INCH COMPUTER MONITORS
FROM DELL
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$ 970.13

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a NJ State Contract purchase of 7 19 Inch Computer Monitors from Dell in an amount not to exceed \$970.13 pursuant to NJ State Contract Numbers WN88ABZ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
 Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 13-170
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF 8 17 inch COMPUTER MONITORS
FROM DELL
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,096.00

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a NJ State Contract purchase of 8 17 inch computer monitors from Dell in an amount not to exceed \$1,096.00 pursuant to NJ State Contract Numbers WN88ABZ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
 Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 13-171
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF 1 POWEREDGE R520 SERVER FROM
DELL
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,589.81

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a NJ State Contract purchase of 1 PowerEdge R520 Server from Dell in an amount not to exceed \$5,589.81 pursuant to NJ State Contract Numbers WN88ABZ.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
 Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 13-172
 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF 4 HP LASER JET PRINTERS FROM CDW GOVERNMENT
 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$988.04**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes a purchase of 4 laser jet printers from CDW Government in an amount not to exceed \$988.04 pursuant to quotation no. DKQK110.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

Glenn Cullen, CFO
 Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
 John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 13-173
 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT WITH PYROTECHNICO FIREWORKS FOR
 LABOR DAY
 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$14,000**

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) establishes standards and procedures for the awards of contracts and the purchase of goods and services which are to be paid with public funds; and

WHEREAS, a need exists to engage the services of a Fireworks Display company to provide a fireworks show on Labor Day evening 2013; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:11-6.1 requires the solicitation of quotations for purchases estimated to be in excess of \$2,640.00 or more but less than \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, quotes were received from:

1. Pyrotechnico \$14,000.00

WHEREAS, the availability of funds for this purpose have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Public Celebrations Committee to award the contract to Pyrotechnico at a cost not to exceed \$14,000.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that Pyrotechnico be the authorized vendor for the 2013 firework display on Labor Day evening contingent upon the execution of an contract executed by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk as well as the vendor; Pyrotechnico.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Frank			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 2013-174

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 TAX APPEALS FILED BY ALFIERI-550 HADLEY ROAD ASSOC., L.P., FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 550 HADLEY ROAD AND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 528.01, LOT 45.05, ON THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD TAX ASSESSMENT MAPS

WHEREAS, Alfieri-550 Hadley Road Assoc., L.P. (hereinafter referred to as “Taxpayer”) is the owner of the property known as 550 Hadley Road and identified as Block 528.01, Lot 45.05, on the Borough of South Plainfield’s Tax Assessment Maps (“Property”); and

WHEREAS, the assessed value of the Property was set at \$1,200,000 for 2009; and

WHEREAS, the assessed value of the Property was set at \$1,200,000 for 2010; and

WHEREAS, the assessed value of the Property was set at \$1,200,000 for 2011; and

WHEREAS, the assessed value of the Property was set at \$1,200,000 for 2012; and

WHEREAS, the assessed value of the Property was set at \$1,200,000 for 2013; and

WHEREAS, Taxpayer filed appeals of the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 tax assessments in the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey under docket numbers 009583-2009, 002720-2010, 004641-2011, 002310-2012 and ____-2013 (Dkt # not yet assigned); and

WHEREAS, a proposed settlement of the aforesaid tax appeals was negotiated between Taxpayer and the Borough Tax Assessor and Borough Tax Attorney as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Appraiser, Russ Sterling, MAI, opined that the Borough was not able to defend the assessments for the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 tax years under appeal and recommended that the settlement be approved and therefore, this proposed settlement is reasonable and reflects the correct market values for the Property which was over assessed for all years under appeal; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the proposed Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto, the aforesaid tax appeals are to be resolved as follows:

- The 2009 original assessment in the amount of \$1,200,000 shall be affirmed and remain unchanged;
- The 2010 original assessment in the amount of \$1,200,000 shall be affirmed and remain unchanged;
- The 2011 original assessment in the amount of \$1,200,000 shall be reduced to \$982,000 and the Borough of South Plainfield shall provide Taxpayer with a corresponding tax refund for 2011;
- The 2012 original assessment in the amount of \$1,200,000 shall be reduced to \$1,009,000 and the Borough of South Plainfield shall provide Taxpayer with a corresponding tax refund for 2012;
- The 2013 original assessment in the amount of \$1,200,000 shall be reduced to \$1,009,000 and the Borough of South Plainfield shall provide Taxpayer with a corresponding tax refund for 2013;
- Taxpayer has agreed to waive statutory interest provided the subject refunds are paid within sixty (60) days from the date of the entry of Judgment; and
- Refunds regarding over payments shall be made payable to “Alfieri-550 Hadley Road Assoc., L.P. as Plaintiff and Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC, as Attorney for Plaintiff” and forwarded to Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC within 60 days from the date of the entry of Judgment.

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield Tax Assessor agrees that it is in the best interests of the Borough of South Plainfield to resolve the aforesaid tax appeals pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth above and in the Stipulation of Settlement annexed hereto based on market conditions as well as the uncertainty and costs associated with continued litigation; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid settlement is based on the specific and identifiable facts and circumstances pertaining to the Property and has no general application to other properties within the Borough of South Plainfield; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of South Plainfield having reviewed and considered the pending tax appeals and the proposed settlement thereof agree and confirm it is in the best interests of the Borough of South Plainfield to resolve the tax appeals as set forth herein and in the Stipulation of Settlement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council make this settlement with the Taxpayer without prejudice to its dealing with any other South Plainfield taxpayer’s request for tax assessment reduction; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council leave the allocation between land and improvements of the aforesaid tax assessment reductions to the Borough Tax Assessor’s discretion with the direction that same be set so as to be most beneficial to the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough Tax Assessor is hereby directed to establish the allocation between land and improvements of a \$982,000 total tax assessment reduction for the 2011 tax year for Block 528.01, Lot 45.05 which is most beneficial to the Borough and advise the Borough Attorney of that allocation.
2. The Borough Tax Assessor is hereby directed to establish the allocation between land and improvements of a \$1,009,000 total tax assessment reduction for the 2012 tax year for Block 528.01, Lot 45.05 which is most beneficial to the Borough and advise the Borough Attorney of that allocation.

3. The Borough Tax Assessor is hereby directed to establish the allocation between land and improvements of a \$1,009,000 total tax assessment reduction for the 2013 tax year for Block 528.01, Lot 45.05 which is most beneficial to the Borough and advise the Borough Attorney of that allocation.
4. The Borough Attorney is authorized to execute on behalf of the Borough of South Plainfield the attached Stipulation of Settlement pertaining to the tax appeals filed by Alfieri-550 Hadley Road Assoc., L.P. under Docket Nos.: 009583-2009, 002720-2010, 004641-2011, 002310-2012 and ____-2013(Dkt. # not yet assigned), for the property known as 550 Hadley Road and identified as Block 528.01, Lot 45.05, on the Borough of South Plainfield Tax Assessment Maps which results in the Taxpayer's 2009 tax appeal being affirmed and remaining unchanged; which results in the Taxpayer's 2010 tax appeal being affirmed and remaining unchanged; which reduces the 2011 total tax assessment on the Property from \$1,200,000 to \$982,000; which reduces the 2012 total tax assessment on the Property from \$1,200,000 to \$1,009,000; which reduces the 2013 total tax assessment on the property from \$1,200,000 to \$1,009,000; which further provides that Taxpayer agrees to waive statutory interest on any refund or overpayment due provided the refund check is paid within sixty (60) days from the issuance of Judgment; and which further provides that any refunds shall be made payable to "Alfieri-550 Hadley Road Assoc., L.P., as Plaintiff and Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC, as Attorney" and forwarded to Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC within 60 days from the date of the entry of Judgment.
5. This settlement shall be without prejudice to the Borough's dealings with any other taxpayer's request or appeal for a tax assessment reduction.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Frank			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-175
AUTHORIZING MEMBERSHIP INTO THE SOMERSET COUNTY
COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield desires to become a member of the Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System, #2-SOCCP, effective, and, that such membership shall be for the period ending December 31, 2013, and each renewal, thereafter of the system, unless elects to formally withdraw from the system;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the attached agreement for such membership.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT two certified copies of the Resolution and Agreement be submitted to:

Mary Louise Stanton, QPA
Purchasing
P.O. Box 3000
20 Grove St.
Somerville, NJ 08876-1262

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Frank			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-176
ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF LINDA SANDRO AS ASSESSING CLERK
EFFECTIVE MAY 3, 2013**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

It hereby accepts the resignation of Ms. Linda Sandro from the full time position of Assessing Clerk effective Friday, May 3, 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Linda Sandro, Assessing Clerk
2. Mary Frances Hildebrandt, Tax Assessor
3. Glenn Cullen, Borough Administrator
4. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
5. Marie Dudek, Payroll

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**RESOLUTION 2013-177
AUTHORIZING T&M ASSOCIATES TO PERFORM ENGINEERING SERVICES TO PROVIDE AND
ADMINISTER BIDS FOR
3RD PARTY ELECTRICAL SUPPLIER SERVICES**

BE IT RESOLVED that authorization by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby granted for T&M Associates to provide and administer bids for 3rd party electrical supplier services for the Borough of South Plainfield and is also hereby authorized to publish a solicitation for said bid accordingly;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded as follows:

1. Borough Administrator
2. Municipal Clerk
3. T&M Associates

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

RESOLUTION 2013-178
A RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE PROPOSED WATER
QUALITY MANAGEMENT (WQM) PLAN AMENDMENT ENTITLED:
MIDDLESEX COUNTY FUTURE WASTEWATER SERVICE AREA MAP

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield desires for the orderly development of wastewater facilities within the Lower Raritan-Middlesex County WQM area; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) requires that proposed wastewater treatment and conveyance facilities and wastewater treatment service areas, as well as related subjects, be in conformance with an approved WQM plan; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP has established the WQM plan amendment procedure as the method of incorporating unplanned facilities into a WQM plan; and

WHEREAS, a proposed WQM plan amendment noticed in the New Jersey Register on May 6, 2013 for a Proposed Amendment to the Lower Raritan-Middlesex County Water Quality Management Plan entitled: Middlesex County Future Wastewater Service Area Map has been prepared by the Middlesex County Office of Planning Division of Comprehensive Planning and the Environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED on this 6th day of May, 2013, by the governing body of the Borough of South Plainfield that:

1. The Borough of South Plainfield Council requests that the proposed Wastewater Management Plan be revised to include the parcels identified in Attachment #1, as being within the proposed sewer service area. These areas are currently shown on the Middlesex County Future Wastewater Service Area Map as “Areas Removed from MCUA Future SSA.” The Borough recommends that this designation be changed to “Unchanged MCUA Future SSA (Year 2000)”, as shown in the legend of the County map. Sewer service to the subject parcels will further the development and economic goals of the Borough as expressed in its Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance and these areas should remain in the sewer service area.
2. With the exception noted above, the Borough of South Plainfield hereby consents to the remainder of the amendment entitled Middlesex County Future Wastewater Service Area Map and publicly noticed on May 6, 2013, prepared by the Middlesex County Office of Planning Division of Comprehensive Planning and the Environment, for the purpose of its incorporation into the applicable WQM plan(s);
3. This consent with the noted exception shall be submitted to the NJDEP in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:15-3.4 and the Middlesex County Office of Planning Division of Comprehensive Planning and the Environment.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	X		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		X	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE FOLLOWING CORRESPONDENCE BE AND ARE HEREBY ACCEPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND AUTHORIZATION IS HEREBY GIVEN TO FILE ALL CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

- Middlesex County Planning Board Minutes – March 12, 2013
- Board of Adjustment Minutes – March 19, 2013
- Traffic Safety Advisory Commission Minutes – March 27, 2013
- Thank You Letter from Township of Piscataway for use of Senior Center Facilities
- Volunteer Litter Clean-Up Week Report

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			X				
Councilman Bengivenga	x		X				
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman McConville			X				
Councilman White			X				
Council President Rusnak		x	X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
APPROVAL OF BILLS AND CLAIMS**

WHEREAS, The Chief Financial Officer has certified and submitted a consolidated bill list for the payment of claims; and

WHEREAS, all vouchers listed herewith have been encumbered and sufficient funds are available for payment; and

WHEREAS, the required signatures of the Department Head or the and/or the Finance Chairperson, the Vendor, and the Chief Financial Officer, have all been obtained on each voucher on the attached list.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of South Plainfield Borough that the voucher list submitted is hereby approved for payment in the total amount of **\$1,734,894.61**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this approval be forwarded to the following:

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Glenn Cullen, Chief Financial Officer
3. Dotty Paradiso, Supervisor of Accounts

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta			x				
Councilman Bengivenga			x				
Councilman Diana			x				
Councilman McConville			x				
Councilman White	x		x				
Council President Rusnak			x				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Borough Attorney Paul Rizzo, Esq. – reported that the trial for Liquid Assets will begin next Monday and that he will keep the Council posted on the status of this.

Administrator Cullen – reminded everyone that our next Council meeting of May 20th we will be having our public hearing on the budget. On the 8th and 9th we will be meeting with Department Heads to discuss their budget requests. Mr. Cullen then advised that we have started to receive some funds from FEMA from the storm. \$260,000.00 has been received so far. We anticipate receiving a total from FEMA of around \$600,000.00. Mr. Cullen concluded his report by advising that he has posted on the Facebook page a notice of milling and paving that will be conducted around town.

Engineer Miller – updated the Council with the status of the truck route application in that his office has resubmitted plans to the State in this regard and will advise the Council as soon as his office hears anything. Mr. Miller noted that on the NJ DOT’s website they have South Plainfield shown as being the recipient of grant funding for the paving of Montrose Avenue in the amount of \$280,000.00. Mayor Anesh asked what we received in grant funding last year in this regard. Mr. Miller said we received \$220,000.00 last year. Mayor Anesh noted that is a significant increase for this year. Mr. Miller advised that his office is in the process of putting together the road project bid for this year and hopes to have it out to bid by the end of the month with the thought of awarding in June and beginning the paving before the Fall.

Clerk Antonides – had no report for this evening.

Councilman Diana – said he is particularly excited to hear about the forthcoming paving going on in town at Spring Lake as mentioned by Mr. Cullen earlier. Councilman Diana reported that the recent Clean-Up Day was a huge success and believe everyone on Council participated. On behalf of the Environmental Commission, Councilman Diana thanked the Council for passing resolution #13-157 this evening which dedicates the Recycling Center to Mary Mazepa’s memory. Though Councilman Diana said he did not have the pleasure of meeting Ms. Mazepa, based on everything he has been told about her she was a very dedicated volunteer on the Environmental Commission. Councilman Diana said in regards to Corey Singer’s recent achievement it was great to see another South Plainfield resident out there doing really well. To conclude Councilman Diana said in regards to honoring Police Week this evening he feels it to be a personal goal for him to honor police officers everyday as his father is an officer.

Councilman Barletta – announced that Progressive Insurance opened their doors officially last Monday. They have a tentative grand opening scheduled for June 1st. We are trying to see if the Lt. Governor would be available to attend that grand opening. The branch manager expressed their enthusiasm for being in South Plainfield and anticipates being very community friendly. Councilman Barletta advised that on April 19th he attended the Middle school Somerset Patriot Game. Councilman Barletta went on to thank all the residents and volunteers who came out to help with Clean-Up Day. Councilman Barletta also thanked everyone who was involved with the Unico Blood Drive which was a great success. Mr. Barletta congratulated Corey Singer for doing a great job making it to the next rug the night before on TV, which is a great thing for South Plainfield. To conclude Councilman Barletta gave a shout out to Mr. Jack Peterson for his one year anniversary of his business.

Councilman Bengivenga – echoed what Councilman Barletta and Diana said about Corey Singer as well as the success of Clean-Up Day. This past Friday, Councilman Bengivenga advised that every year awards are given out for student athletes and Unico National announced the Brian Piccolo award to Anthony Ashnault and Patrick Boyle.

Councilman McConville – advised that he too takes Police Week to heart as his family members are very involved with the Police Department. Councilman McConville advised that he too participated in Clean-Up Day and as good as it is to help clean-up the town, it is also sad to see all the things people are throwing away around town. Councilman McConville said he was happy to donate blood to help save a life at the blood drive. To conclude, Councilman McConville wished all the mom's a Happy Mother's Day.

Councilman White – advised he attended the Cultural Arts Line Dancing event which was a lot of fun. The book signing that they sponsored was a phenomenal event pertaining to the history of South Plainfield. Councilman White also congratulated Jack Peterson on his one year anniversary of his business. Councilman White said in regards to the presentation with the wrestlers tonight he wanted to also thank a few people who helped put this all together behind the scenes; Glenn, Amy, and Anne. Councilman White congratulated Corey Singer for making it to the next round and had the pleasure of seeing him on TV. Councilman White congratulated Amy Antonides on her first year anniversary with South Plainfield as Municipal Clerk.

Council President Rusnak – announced that the white board is now up and running and thanked the Police Department and the Chief for their assistance in this regard.

Mayor Anesh – also thanked the Chief and Police Department for their assistance with the smart board. Mayor Anesh also congratulated Amy for her year anniversary saying that she has done a fabulous job here for the past year. Mayor Anesh advised that he just received word that the Clean Community Grant Funding is showing an increase for this year. Mayor Anesh spoke about the status of the channel 32 FIOS TV (SPTV) that will be shared with the school. Mayor Anesh has been asked to sit for a brief interview on channel 32. Dr. Jenko has also done an interview. It is a very creative way to use this technology and is good for the community. It is an added benefit in that we can air council meetings, board of education meetings, community announcements, etc. We would like to get some additional South Plainfield Borough officials interviewed as well. Mayor Anesh congratulated Corey Singer for making it to the next round.

Before moving on to the public comments, Council President Rusnak said that in light of resolution #13-164 that was passed this evening, he wanted to announce that this resolution represents a trophy case that is being custom built as a wrestling trophy case for the High School. This is a joint venture with the cost shared by the Borough Mayor and Council, the Recreation Commission and the High School. We anticipate it will be in place in another month or two. Council President Rusnak thanked those council members that supported this project this evening. It will be a nice way of honoring the wrestlers and their achievements over the years to come.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment.

Debbie Boyle of Van Fleet thanked those members of Council that supported the construction of the trophy case for the wrestlers at the High School and said she knows that everyone wants to find something nice to do for the wrestlers to recognize their achievements and believes this trophy case to be the perfect way of doing that. It is better than giving them a plaque that will be put in their attic ten years from now. This way it is something that everyone can appreciate for years to come. Ms. Boyle reminded everyone that tomorrow is the Business Association Golf Outing which starts around 8:00 a.m. June 1st is the Boyle Memorial Golf Outing of which proceeds go toward scholarships at the high school.

Ms. Nancy Grennier of the Observer said that tomorrow night there is a social media discussion and guest speaker at the Senior Center. Ms. Grennier questioned if the home refurbishment resolutions on tonight's meeting was with grant funding. Mr. Cullen explained that they are COAH projects in which a lottery system was held and these are the recipients of that lottery system who will have some refurbishments done on their homes utilizing NJ State COAH Funding. On another note, Ms. Grennier advised that the Business Association is thinking about doing another event; Christmas in July. It is in the discussion stages right now. These events help encourage business in

the downtown area. To conclude, Ms. Grennier reminded everyone that this Wednesday evening is the Junior Journalist event for our 23 winners this year. Gift certificates will be given to them all. Also Ms. Grennier agreed that the trophy case is a good idea to have to honor the wrestlers for their achievements. This way generations to come will be able to appreciate what others have done before them. Ms. Grennier expressed a concern at the recycling center for the height of the bins and the difficulty it is for residents to empty their containers into the high bins and suggested putting in steps to make it easier. The Council said they will look into it and try to correct that problem.

Ms. Suzanne Lepore of the Cultural Arts Commission congratulated Core Singer for making it to the next round. Ms. Lepore said that we already knew he was a phenomenal singer. Seeing him on TV and hearing him say he is from South Plainfield gave her goose bumps. The recent book signing proved to be a very well attended event. All the books went. The line dancing event the following week was also very well attended. Every year more and more attendees come. We may consider doing it again in the Fall rather than waiting a whole year.

Mr. Bobby Richkus of Famularo Drive advised that state testing is taking place for the 5th and 6th graders. Plenty of rest and eating a good breakfast is highly recommended for those students. Mr. Richkus extended a special word of thanks to Dr. Alice Temple for the Adopt a Spot Program. She has been phenomenal to work with. Also a special thanks to the Borough Clerk Amy and Chief of Police Parker for their assistance with this evening's SPASA Ordinance as well as the By Laws. It was something that seems to have been overlooked over the years and now we will have what we need in place moving forward. To conclude Mr. Richkus said Nixel has been great and enjoys receiving the updates finding them very helpful.

With no further comments from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

ADJOURNMENT

Without further comment and no more action necessary for this evening, Mayor Anesh called for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Bengivenga made a motion to adjourn at 8:27 p.m., seconded by Council President Rusnak and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

Amy Antonides

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC - Municipal Clerk