

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 18, 2014, 6:45 P.M.**

SPECIAL HEARING – 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 6:45 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 Rusnak	X		
Councilman Bengivenga	X		
Councilman Diana	X		
Councilman Richkus		x	
Councilman White	X		
Council President Barletta	X		
Mayor Anesh	X		
ALSO PRESENT			
Administrator Cullen	X		
Clerk Antonides	X		
Attorney Rizzo	X		
Engineer Miller	X		

SPECIAL HEARING – 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

Mayor Anesh turned the floor over to Councilman Bengivenga. Councilman Bengivenga explained that we do a special hearing every year. Last evening Councilman Bengivenga said he met with the Housing and Community Development Committee to discuss the potential projects to include in this year's application for grant funding for the Borough Council to consider. Historically we used to receive approximately \$80,000 each year, but in 2011 it was cut to \$67,462 and in 2012 it was cut again to \$61,323. The government has not yet allocated what the funding will be for 2014 and Councilman Bengivenga said he doesn't think he will find that out until his meeting in March. Despite that fact, part of the process required by the County is a resolution indicating our proposed 2014 projects – though we may have additional funding or less funding. The use of this grant funding can only be used for certain types of projects. We do have some funding and projects left over from last year and/or years past that are in progress or near completion right now. For 2014 the Housing and Community Development Committee has recommended the following proposed projects for consideration:

Senior Center Coordinator Salary -	\$12,500
Senior Center Improvements -	\$15,500
Library ADA Ramp -	\$21,500
Borough ADA Ramp -	\$21,500
TOTAL:	\$71,000

Mayor Anesh thanked Councilman Bengivenga and asked the Council if they have any questions or comments. The council had no comments at this time and thanked Councilman Bengivenga for his and the committee's input.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comments.

Though there were approximately 15 members of the public present, with no public comments made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor from public comments.

Mayor Anesh advised that a resolution will be on the regularly scheduled Council meeting for further consideration of the CDBG projects for 2014.

ADJOURN AGENDA MEETING: With no further comments, Mayor Anesh asked for a motion to adjourn from the CDBG special hearing. Councilman Bengivenga made a motion to adjourn from the meeting at 6:51 p.m., seconded by Councilman White and unanimously carried by an all in favor.

Mayor Anesh advised that our regularly scheduled Council meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. this evening.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC