SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES February 17, 2015, 7:00 P.M.

AGENDA MEETING

<u>CALL TO ORDER:</u> Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Amy Antonides as follows:

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

Review of Agenda Items: Clerk Antonides reviewed all the items on the agenda for this evening advising that resolution #15-78 will need to be added to the agenda. Council President White made a motion to add resolution #15-78 to the agenda, seconded by Councilman Richkus and unanimously carried.

Mayor Anesh asked if the Council has any comments on the agenda this evening. Councilman Diana asked to have Resolutions #15-73 through #15-77 put aside to be voted on separately. There were no other comments pertaining to this evening's agenda.

<u>Public Hearing</u>: Release of Performance Bond Posted by Berg N Pitt Developers for Public Improvement to Block 331, Lots 1.02A, 1.02B and 1.03 – Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment, and with no comments made, closed the floor.

RESOLUTION #15-67

AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION MEETING

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 and P.L. 2001, C. 404, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield wishes to go into a closed Executive Session and is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist which should not be discussed in public, and

WHEREAS the Open Public Meetings Act pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 and N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the Borough Council to discuss certain matter(s) in private, and in this case for the purpose of the Borough Council to discuss the below matters all of which requires attorney-client privilege:

- Personnel Police Officer Stuckey *Clerk Antonides advised that this matter is to be removed from the closed session this evening and will not be discussed.*
- Litigation South Plainfield Transfer Station

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it will go into an Executive Session for the purpose of Borough Council to discuss the aforementioned matters all of which requires attorney-client privilege in this regard;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the results of such discussion may be revealed at such time as the matter(s) are resolved and/or a contract(s) is signed and/or the negotiations are formally settled. Interested parties may contact the Borough Clerk anytime during normal business hours for periodic updates as to the availability in this regard.

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

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comments. With no public comments made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor from public comments.

Mayor Anesh than conducted the following public auction:

Public Auction of Surplus Municipal Property Known As:

• Block 398, Lot 2.10 located at the Northeast Corner of Harvard Avenue & St. John's Place. Minimum Bid Amount of \$120,000. Mayor Anesh announced the minimum bid of \$120,000 and called for any bidders, once, twice, than last call for any bids. No bids were received for this parcel.

At this time Mayor Anesh moved the proclamations forward onto this portion of the agenda.

Proclamation(s):

- Youth Art Month
- Pop Warner Cheer and Dance National Champions

Mayor Anesh read both the aforementioned proclamations in full and presented them to all parties present. Ms. Dorothy Miele and two students were present to receive the Youth Art Month proclamation. The majority of the South Plainfield Pop Warner Cheerleaders and their coaches were present to receive their proclamations. A round of applause was extended and photographs were taken by family, friends and any media present.

Mayor Anesh called for a brief recess at 7:20 p.m.

<u>ADJOURN AGENDA MEETING</u>: With no further comments, Mayor Anesh asked for a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting. Councilman Barletta made a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting at 7:25 p.m., seconded by Councilman Richkus unanimously carried by an all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By: Amy Antonides

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC