

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH  
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 17, 2015, 6:45 P.M.**

**SPECIAL HEARING – 2015 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 Barletta	X		
Councilman Bengivenga	X		
Councilman Diana	X		
Councilman Richkus	X		
Councilman Rusnak	X		
Council President White	X		
Mayor Anesh	X		
<b>ALSO PRESENT</b>			
Administrator Cullen	X		
Clerk Antonides	X		
Attorney Paul Rizzo	X		
Engineer Miller		X	

**SPECIAL HEARING – 2015 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. On February 9, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., 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 a little more each year, but cuts have been made in the recent years and as such there is approximately \$64,000.00 awarded to South Plainfield for 2015. The Housing and Community Development Committee reviewed the various items that were applied for each year. 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 2015 the Housing and Community Development Committee has recommended the following proposed projects for consideration:

Senior Center Salary	\$12,500
Senior Center Meals on Wheels SUV	\$24,000 (Ford Escape or comparable vehicle MSRP \$22,960-\$24,980)
Senior Center Van	\$28,000 (Ford Transit Connect or comparable vehicle MSRP \$24,710-\$29,185)
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$64,500</b>

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 10 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 agenda for further consideration of the CDBG projects for 2015.

**ADJOURN SPECIAL CDBG 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 6:48 p.m., seconded by Council President 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:

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Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC