

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2015 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 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		

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

Public Comment: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment on agenda items only. With no comments from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

LEGAL CLAIFICATION – VFW BUILDING: At this time, Mayor Anesh turned the floor over to Borough Attorney Rizzo to provide clarification on a recent situation pertaining to the VFW that has recently generated some false and negative accusations against the Borough Council via Facebook posts.

Mr. Paul Rizzo Esq., provided the history of the transaction of the VFW building. There have been comments that the Borough Council refuses to discuss this matter. The fact is Mr. Rizzo has been trying to discuss this matter on behalf of the Mayor and Council to find a solution to a statutory problem since May, 2014. Mr. Rizzo said he wrote to Tom Lanza, the VFW attorney, back on May 8, 2014 to alert him of this statutory problem. Back in May, Mr. Rizzo advised Mr. Lanza that he doesn't believe we have the legal authority to release the restrictions but the Governing Body is more than willing to work with the VFW but is constrained by Mr. Rizzo's legal opinion. Mr. Rizzo said he received no response from that correspondence. Mr. Rizzo than followed up with an email to Mr. Lanza in July asking him what the status is having heard nothing from his first communication. Again, Mr. Rizzo said he received no response from Mr. Lanza. On July 21, 2014 Mr. Rizzo said he received a message from Mr. Lanza's office saying that he was away on vacation and will get back to him on Thursday afternoon upon his return. Again, Mr. Rizzo said he did not receive a response. Mr. Rizzo than sent Mr. Lanza another email on August 6, 2014 asking him for some background on this matter. Again, Mr. Rizzo said he did not receive any response from Mr. Lanza. This has been the history of it in our trying to reach out to the VFW's attorney to try to resolve this matter. By December 2014, this situation started to come to a head as Mr. Rizzo was alerted by the buyer's attorney that they were to make an application to the Board of Adjustment for a variance. Mr. Rizzo said he then wrote to both Mr. Lanza and the buyer's attorney to alert them that we have never received any contact or communication from anyone to try to resolve the issue with the statute. On December 30th, Mr. Rizzo said he received communication in which the Commander of the VFW will be reaching out to several VFW chapters who have sold their respective chapters to see how those transactions took place. Mr. Rizzo said he thought that was a good idea, but is not certain if that was ever done or not as he received no other communication in this regard. Mr. Rizzo said he asked both attorneys if a Title Company is involved and if Title is cleared in order for the transaction to take place. Title Companies specialize in this work and as such Mr. Rizzo asked to see what the Title Companies position is in this regard and see how we can best deal with this statutory issue. Mr. Rizzo said he asked twice, and to his knowledge it was not done, as he was never told whether it was or

was not done. Mr. Rizzo said he reached a point where he made the suggestion of filing a Declaratory Action to solve this question. This way whatever agreement we reach would be signed off by a Judge that way there would be no question on the legality of the transaction and it would be resolved. After nearly ten months of no communication whatsoever, Mr. Rizzo said he doesn't know what else he could do accept to file a Declaratory Action in court. Any and all attempts he has made on behalf of the Governing Body have been ignored. Mr. Rizzo said he is sorry it has come to this point but frankly it is not his fault or the fault of the Governing Body. He has repeatedly reached out to the other party's attorney for input, assistance, in attempts to find a solution to this problem for months. But has received absolutely no response. To further summarize, Mr. Rizzo and the Mayor and Borough Council put emphasis on the fact that they all are united in wishing to support the VFW and their desire to relocate to a more conducive location for the good work that they do. The Governing Body in no way is trying to stop the sale of this parcel, profit from any proceeds etc., but in fact merely desire to assure that any action the Borough has is fully compliant with any and all applicable laws. Mayor Anesh further reiterated that the Governing Body is unified on this matter. Mayor Anesh said that in years past the Governing Body was burned with bad legal advice that ultimately cost the town hundreds of thousands of dollars (Suburban Bus Company). The Governing Bodies interest is to simply not let something like that reoccur. We have a willing attorney who is putting our best interests forward and seeking to do this the right and legal way. Furthermore, Mayor Anesh said he wishes to clarify a false rumor that was going around accusing the Borough Council of putting the profits from the sale of the VFW into the municipal budget. Mayor Anesh said this is a complete false statement and in no way shape or form is that happening or going to happen. Mayor Anesh said the Governing Body wishes to see the proceeds go toward the VFW. The Borough is not looking to take the VFW money nor to have the land revert back to the Borough as the Borough has no use for it. Mayor Anesh said on behalf of the Governing Body said he welcomes to meet with any representatives of the VFW to resolve this issue once and for all in which all laws are satisfied. Mayor Anesh said this probably could have been resolved months ago had Mr. Lanza reached out and commutated with Mr. Rizzo. Instead we have met with resistance.

Councilman Diana said that he has giving this situation considerable thought and research and has reached the same conclusion that our Borough Attorney has. Councilman Diana said he cannot in good conscience have himself or the Governing Body do something that runs afoul of the law. We are all committed to doing the legally compliant thing. Mr. Rizzo's opinion of what we should or shouldn't do morally is of no consequence, but his legal opinion is. He has tried to reach a solution, but we have not come to it yet. Councilman Diana said he would like to emphasize Mr. Rizzo's May 2014 where it states that the Governing Body is more than willing to work with the VFW to resolve this issue but is confined to Mr. Rizzo's legal opinion. That is the sum total to this. We are constrained to a legal opinion. Imagine our frustration to date where we have not received any communication back in order to resolve this issue. We will come to a solution. We will get there. We are not going to put the proceeds of this sale in any budget. The town is not going to take this land and use it for some other purpose. We will do this for the VFW, we just need to find the right way of doing it that does not put us all in a compromised position. Everyone extended a round of applause.

At this time Mayor Anesh opened the floor for comments from the public. Realtor for the sale of the VFW building, Mr. Moretti spoke first, followed by 11 members of this VFW Chapter who all spoke out citing all the various excellent services their VFW provides. The VFW attorney, Tom Lanza was not present. Many members enlightened the Governing Body on the history of the incorporation of their facility as they remember it. Most members expressed their appreciation to the Mayor and Council for clarifying their position and said they are happy to open a dialog. Because several Veterans were questioning the deed and the riveter language contained within, Mr. Rizzo did have to interject on several occasions clarifying that the deed is not the issue, the statute is.

To conclude, Mayor Anesh said that we will be in touch with the VFW representative(s) and hope to open the communication so that we can best resolve this issue. With no further comments from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

At this time, 8:20 p.m., Mayor Anesh called for a brief recess.

At 8:30 p.m., Mayor Anesh called the meeting back to order.

Proclamation(s): Read Across America – was read by Mayor Anesh in full. Mayor Anesh presented this Proclamation to the Library Board President Darlene Cullen, and Library Board Trustee Robert Bengivenga Sr., and Debbie Boyle who represents the Board of Education. Everyone extended a round of applause and photographs were taken.

Approve Council Minutes February 17, 2015 – Agenda
 February 17, 2015 - Public
 February 17, 2015 – Executive
 February 17, 2015 – CDBG Special Hearing

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

ORDINANCE – SECOND READING BY TITLE – was read by title by Clerk Antonides for the following Ordinances; 2015, 2016 and 2017. Mayor Anesh opened the floor for each ordinance accordingly:

ORDINANCE 2015

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND THE METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE YEARS 2015 THROUGH 2018 FOR NON-UNION PROFESSIONALS AND GOVERNING BODY

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

SECTION 1. The rates of compensation for each employee of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be on an annual basis as follows except where indicated. Such rates of pay shall be effective on January 1st of the years shown, except if otherwise noted.

Position	2015	2016	2017	2018
Administrator	29,009	29,560	30,122	30,694
Municipal Clerk	75,473	76,907	78,368	79,857
Chief Financial Officer	130,735	133,219	135,750	138,329
Confidential Asst.	26955 - 48519	27467 - 49441	27989 - 50,380	28520 - 51,337
OEM Coordinator	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Registrar Vital Stats/Principal Clerk	56,829	57,908	59,009	60,130
Social Services Director	9,799	9,985	10,175	10,368
Municipal Hosing Liaison	2,215	2,257	2,300	2,344
Affordable Housing Trust Reporter	2,215	2,257	2,300	2,344
DVRT Coordinator	5,805	5,916	6,028	6,142
Mayor	8,607	8,607	8,607	8,607
Council President	6,885	6,885	6,885	6,885
Council Person	5,738	5,738	5,738	5,738
Municipal Prosecutor	45,005	45,005	45,005	45,005
Public Defender	8,580	8,580	8,580	8,580
Planning Board Attorney	1,502	-	-	-
Zoning Board Attorney	1,502	-	-	-
PACO Compliance Officer	6,000	6,114	6,230	6,349
Municipal Court Judge	50,485	50,485	50,485	50,485
Deputy Registrar	1,551	1,580	1,610	1,641
Secretary to Mayor	1,736	1,769	1,803	1,837
Tax Collector	26,639	27,145	27,661	28,186
Tax Assessor	61,801	62,976	64,172	65,391
Assessor Field Representative	7,874	8,023	8,176	8,331
Environmental Specialist	69,135	70,449	71,787	73,151
Recycling Coordinator	5,418	5,521	5,626	5,733
Fire Official	81,160	82,702	84,274	85,875
Fire Subcode	6,412	6,533	6,658	6,784
Construction Officer	109,444	111,523	113,642	115,801
Zoning Officer	15,450	15,744	16,043	16,348
Court Administrator	69,996	71,326	72,681	74,062
Recreation Director	76,044	77,489	78,961	80,461
Pool Administrator	9,338	9,516	9,696	9,881
Health Board Secretary	2,732	2,784	2,837	2,891

SECTION 2. INCONSISTENCY- All ordinance or parts inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE – This ordinance shall become effective after publication in accordance with the law. **Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment. With no comments from the public made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor. Mayor Anesh than asked the Council if they had any comments, but none were made.**

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

ORDINANCE NO. 2016
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE
REVISING PARKING AND TRAFFIC ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the Borough Police Department has recommended that Parking and Traffic Ordinances be reviewed and revised; and

WHEREAS, the Traffic Safety Advisory Commission has reviewed the recommendation and concurs in same;

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 Parking and Traffic Ordinances of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be amended prohibiting parking on the following designated streets:

1. Cady Lane – Both sides the entire length of Cady Lane.
2. Avon Avenue – Both sides between West Crescent Avenue and Cady Lane.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parking Ordinances of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be amended to provide that there shall be no parking, stopping or standing at any time on the following designated streets:

1. Jackson Avenue – West side from Evona Place to Garibaldi Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Parking Ordinances of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be amended to provide that there shall be no parking, stopping or standing on one side of the following designated streets when school is in session between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. During such time, parking, standing or stopping shall not be permitted as follows:

1. Stratford Avenue – West side from Cedar Brook Avenue to Cromwell Place.
2. Wickford Road – East side from Skene Drive to Cromwell Place.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Traffic Regulations of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be amended to provide the following streets shall be designated as one-way traffic:

1. Jackson Avenue – Hamilton Boulevard to Garibaldi Avenue, traffic permitted to travel in a southerly direction.
2. Garibaldi Avenue – Jackson Avenue to Harvard Avenue, traffic permitted to travel in an easterly direction.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Traffic Regulations of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be amended to provide that left turns shall be prohibited from the parking lot of premises located at 2300 Park Avenue onto Maple Avenue.

This Ordinance shall supersede and take precedence over Borough Ordinances 758, 1182 and 1201 in their entirety, which are hereby voided. This Ordinance shall also supersede and take precedence over that portion of Borough Ordinance 1992 which allowed parking on Garibaldi Avenue.

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

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment. With no comments from the public made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor. Mayor Anesh than asked the Council if they had any comments, but none were made.

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							

ORDINANCE NO. 2017
AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE BOROUGH'S AUTHORITY
AND CONTROL OVER CARNEGIE STREET, A PAPER STREET,
WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, there exists within the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey a "paper street" known as Carnegie Street, as shown on the Official Tax Map of the Borough of South Plainfield;

WHEREAS, a request has been made for the Borough to vacate its authority and control over Carnegie Street; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that such right-of-way is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Borough does not have any intention to construct a road to be known as Carnegie Street; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:67-19 authorizes the Borough to release and extinguish public rights, and the rights of the Borough, arising from the dedication of a road;

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

1. The rights of the public and the Borough of South Plainfield in and to Carnegie Street are hereby extinguished and vacated;
2. At least one week prior to the time affixed for consideration of this Ordinance for final passage, a copy thereof, together with a notice of introduction thereof, at a time and place when and where the Ordinance will be further considered for final passage, should be mailed to every person whose land may be effected by this Ordinance insofar as it may be ascertained. Said notices shall be made by the Borough Clerk to the owners of Block 299, Lot 1.01 and Block 300, Lot 1.01;
3. The Borough Clerk shall, within 60 days of the effective date of this Ordinance, file copies of this Ordinance certified by her under the seal of the Borough to be a true copy thereof, together with proof of publication thereof in the office of the Clerk of the County of Middlesex in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:67-21;
4. The Mayor and Council declare this right-of-way to be surplus and not needed for public use;
5. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not effect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and it shall remain in full force and effect; and
6. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any other Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield, the provisions herein shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the revised General Ordinances of the Borough of South Plainfield are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where consistent with the terms hereof.

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

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment. With no comments from the public made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor. Mayor Anesh than asked the Council if they had any comments, but none were made.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
Councilman Barletta	x		X				
Councilman Bengivenga		x					x
Councilman Diana			X				
Councilman Richkus			X				
Councilman Rusnak			X				
Council President White							X
		VOTE:	4	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING BY TITLE – was read by title by Clerk Antonides for the following Ordinances; 2018. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for March 16, 2015 at approximately 7:00 p.m.:

ORDINANCE No. 2018

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1953 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, ESTABLISHING A STATE UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCING AGENCY, ETC.”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that Ordinance No. 1953 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 3.

b) Subcode fees: Established pursuant to N.J.A.C. Section 5:23-2.25

1. BUILDING

12. Other Uniform Construction Code fees

- a) Certificate of continued occupancy issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.23
R-3 & R-5: \$100.00
All other Use Groups: \$250.00
- b) Change of Use
R-3 & R-5: \$100.00 All other Use Groups: \$250.00
- c) Variation
R-3 & R-5: \$50.00 All other Use Groups: \$150.00
- d) Renewal of Temporary Certificate of Occupancy:
All Use Groups: \$30.00
- e) Asbestos Abatement Project pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-8.5
Permit Fee: \$106.00 Certificate of Occupancy Fee: \$21.00
- f) Plan review fee
20% of permit fee
- g) Re-Review Fee of Original Released Plans
\$25.00 per \$1,000.00 construction cost. Minimum fee: \$75.00 for R-3 and R-5 and 20% fee for all other groups.
- h) Lapsed permit reinstatement
R-3 & R-5: \$75.00 All other Use Groups: \$100.00
- i) Lead Hazard Abatement work
Permit Fee: \$140.00 Clearance Certificate: \$28.00
- j) Application to Construction Board of Appeals:
Fee \$100.00

This ordinance will become effective immediately upon publication in accordance with the law.

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

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION: 2015-80

**AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF A CORRECTION OF ERROR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$273.88
PERTAINING TO 70 NORWAY LANE EXT IN SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

WHEREAS, the following taxpayer has filed a complaint with the State Tax Court and has received a Correction of Error judgment reducing his assessment:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the following appeal be refunded.

<u>OWNER/ADDRESS</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Christopher & Elaine Tamburri 70 Norway Lane Ext South Plainfield, NJ 07080	174	20	2015	\$273.88
Total				\$273.88

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue a check(s) in the amount(s) as mentioned above.

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

RESOLUTION 2015-81

ENDORISING THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2014 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, The Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act, P.L.1987, c.102, has established a recycling fund from which

WHEREAS, It is the intent and the spirit of the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act to use the tonnage grants to develop new municipal recycling programs and to continue and to expand existing programs; and

WHEREAS, The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has promulgated recycling regulations To Implement the Mandatory Source Separation and Recycling Act; and

WHEREAS, The recycling regulations impose on municipalities certain requirements as a condition for applying for tonnage grants, including but not limited to, making and keeping accurate, verifiable records of materials collected and claimed by the municipality; and

WHEREAS, A resolution authorizing this municipality to apply for the **2014 Recycling Tonnage Grant** will memorialize the commitment of this municipality to recycling and to indicate the assent of Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, to the efforts undertaken by the municipality and the requirements contained in the Recycling Act and recycling regulations; and

WHEREAS, Such a resolution should designate the individual authorized to ensure the application is properly completed and timely filed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, that the Borough of South Plainfield hereby endorses the submission of the recycling tonnage grant application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and designates Dr. Alice Temple, C.R.P., as the Recycling Coordinator of the Borough of South Plainfield to ensure that the application is property filed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the monies received from the recycling tonnage grant be deposited in a dedicated recycling trust fund to be used solely for the purposes of recycling.

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

RESOLUTION 15-82

AUTHORIZING THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY CO-OP PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR THE DPW FROM ATLANTIC SALT, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,796.40

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 authorizes the Middlesex County Co-Op purchase of road salt from Atlantic Salt, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$34,796.40; and

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

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

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

RESOLUTION 15-83

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CRUSHED STONE FOR THE DPW FROM FANWOOD CRUSHED STONE OF WESTFIELD, NJ IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,186.50

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 authorizes the purchase of crushed stone for the DPW from Fanwood Crushed Stone of Westfield, NJ in an amount not to exceed \$4,186.50.

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

- Glenn Cullen, CFO
- DPW
- Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk

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

RESOLUTION NO. 15-84
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,875.00
IN ADDITION TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT FOR \$19,450.00
FOR A COAH REHABILITATION PROJECT LOCATED AT
248 OAKLAND AVENUE IN SOUTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield has entered into a contract for \$19,450.00 for a COAH rehabilitation project located at 248 Oakland Avenue in South Plainfield; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield find it necessary to extend the limits of the project to include additional repair work; and

WHEREAS, the extra work will be performed utilizing COAH funding; and

WHEREAS, the work will be paid for based on the actual as-built quantities at a price not-to-exceed \$19,450.00 plus the addition of \$1,875.00 for a new total contracted amount of \$21,325.00; and

WHEREAS, funds for said purpose have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer and are available through COAH funding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that authorization is hereby given to increase the original contract amount of \$19,450.00 an additional \$1,875.00 to an adjusted contract amount of \$21,325.00 to extend the scope of the project to include the additional repair work deemed necessary by the COAH Housing Administrator for the Borough of South Plainfield.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 15-85
AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$780.00
IN ADDITION TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT FOR \$20,845.00
FOR A COAH REHABILITATION PROJECT LOCATED
AT 801 GARIBALDI AVENUE IN SOUTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield has entered into a contract for \$20,845.00 for a COAH rehabilitation project located at 801 Garibaldi Avenue in South Plainfield; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield find it necessary to extend the limits of the project to include additional repair work; and

WHEREAS, the extra work will be performed utilizing COAH funding; and

WHEREAS, the work will be paid for based on the actual as-built quantities at a price not-to-exceed \$20,845.00 plus the addition of \$780.00 for a new total contracted amount of \$21,625.00; and

WHEREAS, funds for said purpose have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer and are available through COAH funding;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that authorization is hereby given to increase the original contract amount of \$20,845.00 an additional \$780.00 to an adjusted contract amount of \$21,625.00 to extend the scope of the project to include the additional repair work deemed necessary by the COAH Housing Administrator for the Borough of South Plainfield.

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

RESOLUTION 15-87
AUTHORIZING SOLE SOURCE VENDOR CONTRACT EXECUTION WITH NORTHEASTERN INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES LLC TO PROVIDE INFORMATION SERVICES TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$11,880.00

WHEREAS the sole source vendor Northeastern Integrated Technologies LLC has submitted an RFP to the Police Department to provide information services to be provided within the Police Department from June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., authorizes the awarding of a contract for professional services without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, provided that the resolution authorizing the contract and the contract itself be available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk and that notice of the awarding of the contract be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield:

1. that the Mayor and Borough Council do hereby award the contract between the Borough of South Plainfield and Northeastern Integrated Technologies LLC to provide information services to the Borough Police Department from June 1, 2015 to May 31, 2015 in an amount not to exceed \$11,880.00
2. that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law of New Jersey, because the services will be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain bids for such needed qualitative services.
3. that the Chief Financial Officer has filed a Certificate of Availability of Funds, if applicable.
4. that notice of the adoption of this resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Borough

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Police Chief
4. IT Department

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

RESOLUTION 2015-88
AUTHORIZING A SOLE SOURCE MANAGED SERVICE CONTRACT WITH NORTHEAST INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES TO PROVIDE DESK TOP SUPPORT AS WELL AS ANTI-VIRUS SOFTWARE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$9,660.00

WHEREAS the sole source vendor Northeast Integrated Technologies. has submitted an RFP to the Borough to provide desk top support as well as anti-virus software services for the Borough Offices; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., authorizes the awarding of a contract for professional services without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, provided that the resolution authorizing the contract and the contract itself be available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk and that notice of the awarding of the contract be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield:

1. that the Mayor and Borough Council do hereby award the contract between the Borough of South Plainfield and Northeast Integrated Technologies to desk top support as well as anti-virus software services in an amount not to exceed \$9,660.00.

2. that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law of New Jersey, because the services will be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain bids for such needed qualitative services.

3. that the Chief Financial Officer has filed a Certificate of Availability of Funds, if applicable.,

4. that notice of the adoption of this resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Borough

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

- Municipal Clerk
- Glenn Cullen, Chief Financial Officer
- Borough IT Department

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

**RESOLUTION 2015-89
AUTHORIZING A 2015 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT
OF \$10,200.00 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 2015 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 is transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer.

CURRENT FUND

				AMOUNT
5-01-21-185-000-101	Zoning	S&W		5,000.00
5-01-25-252-000-321	Emergency Management	O&E		5,000.00
5-01-27-335-002-265	Greenbrook Flood	O&E		200.00
Total CURRENT FUND				10,200.00

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

RESOLUTION 2015-90

AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL 2015 TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$325,000.00 IN THE CURRENT FUND AND \$10,000.00 IN THE POOL UTILITY

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 2015 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 is transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer.

CURRENT FUND				AMOUNT
5-01-20-140-000-204	Computer Service	O&E		25,000.00
5-01-22-195-001-101	Code Enforcement	S&W		20,000.00
5-01-25-240-001-475	Police	O&E		20,000.00
5-01-25-265-002-101	Fire Official	S&W		15,000.00
5-01-25-265-003-581	Fire Service Charges	O&E		100,000.00
5-01-26-290-003-321	Snow	O&E		90,000.00
5-01-27-330-001-235	Board of Health	O&E		25,000.00
5-01-28-370-002-403	Senior Center	O&E		5,000.00
5-01-30-415-001-101	Accumulated Leave	O&E		25,000.00
TOTAL CURRENT FUND				325,000.00
POOL UTILITY				AMOUNT
5-26-55-520-000-215	POOL	O&E		10,000.00
TOTAL POOL UTILITY				10,000.00

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

RESOLUTION 15-91
AUTHORIZING 2014 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000
FOR THE CURRENT FUND
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 permits appropriation transfers during the last two months of the fiscal year and the first three months of the fiscal year, for the purposes specified and in excess of sums appropriated in the Budget; and

WHEREAS, such transfers must be approved by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the full membership of the governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the below transfers be approved.

CURRENT FUND				
FROM:				AMOUNT
4-01-20-155-000-221	Legal		O&E	5,000.00
4-01-20-165-000-235	Engineering		O&E	25,000.00
4-01-26-305-003-101	Recycling		S&W	2,500.00
4-01-26-305-003-235	Recycling		O&E	2,500.00
4-01-28-370-001-445	Recreation		O&E	1,500.00
4-01-31-465-001-565	Gasoline		O&E	2,500.00
4-01-43-490-000-331	Court		O&E	1,000.00
Total FROM:				40,000.00
TO:				AMOUNT
4-01-20-150-000-221	Assessing		O&E	
4-01-23-210-000-655	Insurance		O&E	2,000.00
4-01-23-220-000-631	Health Benefits		O&E	2,000.00
4-01-26-290-003-102	Snow		O&E	19,000.00
4-01-30-415-001-101	Accumulated Leave		O&E	17,000.00
Total TO:				40,000.00

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

WHEREAS bids were solicited by Wade Associates Engineering Firm and opened on Friday, February 20, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Borough Hall and out of the five bids received, the following bidder met all necessary legal requirements and is also noted to be the lowest qualified bidder:

All State Technology, Inc. \$363,000.00

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Recreation Director, the Borough Engineer, and the Borough Attorney who have verified that the lowest qualified bidder is All State Technology, Inc. in the amount of \$363,000.00 and that the bid be accepted and a contract be awarded for the renovations to the South Plainfield Community Pool; and

WHEREAS, funds for said purpose have been certified by the Chief Financial Officer and are available through the general fund budget;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a contract for the renovations to the community pool in the amount of \$363,000.00.

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

RESOLUTION 2015-94

RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2015-78 THAT AUTHORIZED THE TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF YOLANDA DIAZ AS ACTING COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND SAVITREE RAMRUP AS ACTING DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR IN THE TEMPORARY ABSENCE OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND NOW APPOINTS YOLANDA DIAZ AS ACTING DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, the present Court Administrator has returned from an illness, and as such a need exists to maintain an Acting Deputy Court Administrator to fill in should another absence of the Court Administrator occur for whatever reason may necessitate said absence;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that authorization by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby granted for the appointment of Yolanda Diaz as “Acting” Deputy Court Administrator with an additional hourly rate of \$5.00 and that Resolution 2015-78 shall be rescinded in full; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointment is effective as of March 2, 2015 and that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded as follows:

- Municipal Clerk
- Chief Financial Officer
- Yolanda Diaz
- Marie Dudek, Payroll

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

RESOLUTION 15-95

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF SNOW PLOW PARTS AND EQUIPMENT FROM GARDEN STATE HIGHWAY PRODUCTS, INC. FOR THE DPW IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,728.62

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 authorizes the purchase of snow plow parts and equipment for the DPW from Garden State Highway Products, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$4,728.62.

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

- Glenn Cullen, CFO
- DPW
- Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk

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

RESOLUTION 2015-96
AUTHORIZING A SOLE SOURCE MANAGED SERVICE CONTRACT WITH NORTHEAST INTEGRATED TECHNOLOGIES TO UPDATE AND REPAIR NETWORK DOMAIN SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,735.00

WHEREAS the sole source vendor Northeast Integrated Technologies. has submitted an RFP to the Borough to provide update and repair network domain services for the Borough Offices; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., authorizes the awarding of a contract for professional services without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, provided that the resolution authorizing the contract and the contract itself be available for public inspection in the office of the Clerk and that notice of the awarding of the contract be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield:

1. that the Mayor and Borough Council do hereby award the contract between the Borough of South Plainfield and Northeast Integrated Technologies to provide update and repair network domain services in an amount not to exceed \$6,735.00.

2. that this contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a professional service in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40a:11-5 of the Local Public Contracts Law of New Jersey, because the services will be performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and it is not possible to obtain bids for such needed qualitative services.

3. that the Chief Financial Officer has filed a Certificate of Availability of Funds, if applicable,.

4. that notice of the adoption of this resolution shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Borough

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

- Municipal Clerk
- Glenn Cullen, Chief Financial Officer
- Borough IT Department

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

CORRESPONDANCE

- Environmental Monthly Report – January, 2015
- Recycling Monthly Report – January, 2015
- Board of Adjustment Minutes – December 16, 2014, January 6, 2015

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

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

Current Fund	5-01	434,587.46
Current Fund	4-01	6,904.74
Pool Utility	4-26	0.00
Pool Utility	5-26	1,100.00
Sewer Utility	4-07	0.00
Sewer Utility	5-07	14,243.86
Sewer Utility Capital	C-08	0.00
General Capital	C-04	3,453.37
Pool Capital	C-27	0.00
Election Account	E-18	0.00
Grant Fund	G-02	2,693.41
Dog Trust	T-12	3,753.33
Treasurers Trust	T-13	8,587.79
Recreation Trust	T-14	126.56
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	5-01	\$475,450.52

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

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Borough Attorney Rizzo, Esq. – had no report for this evening.

Administrator Cullen – gave a brief update on the status of our road salt for the season saying that we will be tapping into our snow trust for the excessive storms we have had.

Engineer Miller – briefed the Council on the forthcoming 2015 Road Improvement Program saying that his office is in the process of gearing up to go out to bid in the coming days.

Clerk Antonides –reported that the 2015 Annual Financial Disclosure Statements will be due on April 30th this year and that the filing procedure will be the same as last year. Ms. Antonides advised that instructions for filing will be distributed in the coming days.

Councilman Diana – reported progress.

Councilman Rusnak – reported progress.

Councilman Bengivenga – reported progress.

Councilman Richkus - thanked Councilman Diana for his earlier statements and the Veterans for their good service. Councilman Richkus went on to express his excitement for the forthcoming community pool refurbishment.

Councilman Barletta – also expressed his appreciation to Councilman Diana for his eloquent words pertaining to the VFW facility. Councilman Barletta than expressed his appreciation to the DPW for all their effort in keeping up with the recent snow storms we have had.

Council President White – reported that Lincoln Tech will be holding Diesel Day on March 14th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.. On another note, Council President White advised that he had a very productive meeting with State officials earlier today pertaining to our Economic Development.

Mayor Anesh – advised the he recently taped two Comcast interviews; one pertaining to the new Library and the other pertaining to the forthcoming Health Fair. These two interviews are an excellent way to showcase our town.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment.

Ms. Suzanne Lepore spoke of forthcoming Cultural Arts Commission events and expressed enthusiasm toward the Shakespeare Theatre coming to South Plainfield.

Mr. Timothy McConville asked the Council to please consider paving Murray Avenue if there is any money left over in the 2015 Road Improvement Program.

Mr. Jeff Seider of O'Donohue Avenue said this O'Donohue Avenue is also in need of repair. Mr. Seider went on to inquire if there is such a thing as a road warranty. Borough Engineer Miller advised that we have a two year maintenance bond in place for all road projects. Prior to release of said bond his firm does an inspection and deems the job to be closed or requests for repairs if needed. Mr. Seider mentioned the cracking of road surfaces and handicap ramps within two months of a road refurbishment project. Borough Engineer Miller explained the logistics of surface cracking and went on to mention that sometime garbage trucks and the like may take a corner too sharp in which the weight of their vehicles could possible cause cracking of a new handicap ramp. Mr. Miller did express his concern in that he has not heard of any such complaints within a two month time period from when a refurbishment project took place. To conclude, Mr. Seider asked if a sealer could be put on these cracks. Mayor Anesh said he can ask Cappi if that's possible.

Ms. Libby Barski inquired about the posting of new parking signs pursuant to this evening's ordinance that was adopted. Councilman Bengivenga said that signage will be going up in the coming days.

Mrs. Darlene Cullen of 1457 Fox Place reminded everyone that that the Library Board of Trustees hold their meetings the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Mrs. Cullen said that unfortunately no one comes to these meetings yet she was disenchanted to see a recent letter to the editor in the Observer criticizing some components of the catch basin and flag pole in front of the Borough Hall. Mrs. Cullen asked Engineer Miller to summarize the plans for retention basin of which Mr. Miller did with emphasis on design features and storm water management considerations. Mrs. Cullen concluded by reminding everyone that the construction plans for the Library renovations are posted in full at the Library and everyone is welcome to come and view them.

Mr. Jeff Seider inquired if consideration can be made for a serious of homes that do not have sidewalks in front of them on or about Rahway Avenue vicinity.

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

At 9:20 p.m. Mayor Anesh called for a recess from the public portion of the meeting to go into Executive Session advising that everyone is welcome to stay if they choose.

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 9:28 p.m., seconded by Councilman Richkus and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC - Municipal Clerk