**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH**

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**NOVEMBER 6, 2017 7:03 P.M.**

 **PUBLIC MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:**  Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 7:03 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:

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| **COUNCIL** | **Present** | **Absent** | **Late** |
| **Councilman Bengivenga**  | **X** |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  | **X** |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** | **X** |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** | **X** |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **X** |  |  |
| **Council President White**  | **X** |  |  |
| **Mayor Anesh** | **X** |  |  |
| **ALSO PRESENT** |  |  |  |
| **Administrator Cullen** | **X** |  |  |
| **Clerk Antonides** | **X** |  |  |
| **Attorney Paul Rizzo Esq.**  | **X** |  |  |
| **Engineer Miller** | **X** |  |  |

**Flag Salute:** was led by Mayor Anesh and Councilman Vesce 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.

**Presentation** – Elks with the American Legion made a $1,500.00 donation to the school.

**Proclamations**: 2017 Veteran’s Day

 DECA Month – November, 2017

 World Pancreatic Cancer Day – November 16, 2017

The aforementioned proclamation was read in full by Mayor Anesh. Shea Price accepted the World Pancreatic Cancer Day Proclamation and read a prepared statement. DECA students accepted the DECA month proclamation and all veteran’s present accepted the 2017 Veteran’s Day proclamation.

**Authorizing the Approval of Council Minutes:**

October 16, 2017 – Agenda

October 16, 2017 - Public

October 16, 2017 – Executive

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **Vote:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**ORDINANCE – SECOND READING BY TITLE** – was read by Clerk Antonides for the following Ordinance 2093. Mayor Anesh asked for council comments and no comments were made. Mayor Anesh then opened the floor for public hearing and with not comments from the public, closed the floor.

**ORDINANCE 2093**

**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 2016 THROUGH 2020 FOR SUPERIOR OFFICERS**

**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.



**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

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**ORDINANCE – FIRST READING BY TITLE** for Ordinance 2095 was read by title by Clerk Antonides and Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for November 20th at approximately 7:00 p.m.

**2095** **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE TWO DEEDS FOR THE TRANSFER OF PORTIONS OF LOT 19, BLOCK 329 ALSO KNOWN AS 321 HANCOCK STREET TO ANTONIO AND BARBARA GARCIA**

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTION 17-385**

**AUTHORIZING A $60.00 REFUND TO PAT DiGIACOMO OF 1576 PERSHING PLACE**

 **FOR A CANCELLED SENIOR CENTER TRIP**

**BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes the following refund(s) to senior(s):

Pat DiGiacomo

1576 Pershing Place

South Plainfield, NJ 07080

$60.00 – 9/26/17 Grounds for Sculpture

 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that the Finance Office hereby has approval to release the aforementioned refund(s).

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-386**

**AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES OF T&M ASSOCIATES TO UPDATE**

**THE ZONING MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

**IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,500.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that authorization by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby granted for T&M Associates to update the Zoning Map of the Borough of South Plainfield in an amount not to exceed $3,500.00.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. T&M Associates

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-387**

**AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES OF T&M ASSOCIATES**

 **TO PROVIDE CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES**

**AS IT RELATES TO THE BOROUGH’S HOUSING ELEMENT**

**IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $10,000.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that authorization by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby granted for T&M Associates to provide continuing professional planning services as it relates to the Borough of South Plainfield’s Housing Element in an amount not to exceed $10,000.00.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. T&M Associates

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
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| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 17-388**

**AUTHORIZING THE FIVE-YEAR SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT**

**BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

**AND THE PLAINFIELD AREA SEWERAGE AUTHORITY**

**FOR SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE SERVICES**

**IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE ANNUAL RATE OF $56,700.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey that they hereby authorizes the five-year Shared Service Agreement between the Borough of South Plainfield and the Plainfield Area Sewerage Authority for sewerage maintenance services commencing on April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed $56,700.00.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. DPW
2. Glenn Cullen, Chief Financial Officer
3. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-389**

**AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES OF STILO PAVING & EXCAVATING**

**TO INSTALL A STORM SEWER INLET AT 1600 PEEK STREET**

**IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,200.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that The Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby authorizes the services of Stilo Paving & Excavating to install a storm sewer inlet at 1600 Peek Street in the Borough of South Plainfield in an amount not to exceed $3,200.00.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. T&M Associates

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-390**

**ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JASON TREICH**

**FROM THE DPW EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that The Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby accepts the resignation of Jason Treich from the DPW effective November 7, 2017.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent
4. Anne Daley, Benefits
5. Carmela Sutor, Payroll

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-391**

**RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE WINTERIZING SERVICES OF**

**RJR ENGINEERING CO. FOR THE COMMUNITY POOL**

**IN OCTOBER 2017 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $3,190.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield hereby authorizes the retroactive winterization services of RJR Engineering Co. for the community pool in October, 2017 in an amount not to exceed $3,190.00.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Kevin Hughes, Recreation Director

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-392**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT**

**WITH MUNICIPAL CARDS, LLC**

**WHEREAS,** Municipal Cards, LLC owns and administers a tax savings/rewards program that enables South Plainfield property tax payers the ability to earn rewards from a financial transaction to be credited toward property taxes in a program established and administered by Municipal Cards, LLC; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council desire to stimulate the local economy and offer a property tax savings program for its residents; and

**WHEREAS,** South Plainfield property tax payers have the ability to earn greater amounts of reward by shopping at local establishments that participate in the program; and

**WHEREAS,** Municipal Cards, LLC utilizes intellectual property and proprietary computer software that cannot be duplicated by another vendor; and

**WHEREAS,** Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd), allows the award of a contract by resolution of a governing body without public advertising for bids for the provision or performance of goods or services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer software; and

**WHEREAS,** Municipal Cards, LLC has made a presentation to the Mayor and Council as to the manner of operation of the program, and the Mayor and Council are satisfied with the qualifications and terms of the Agreement submitted by Municipal Cards, LLC;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Municipal Cards, LLC, a copy of which Agreement is attached hereto.

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-393**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

**AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

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

authorization is hereby given for the Mayor and Borough Administrator to execute the employment contract between the Borough of South Plainfield and the Chief of Police for the term January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2020.

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-394**

**AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD**

**AND THE PBA LOCAL #100 SUPERIOR OFFICERS**

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

authorization is hereby given for the Mayor and Borough Administrator to execute the employment contract between the Borough of South Plainfield and the PBA Local #100 Superior Officers for the term January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2020.

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **x** |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **5** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-395**

**AUTHORIZING THE PERMANENT APPOINTMENT OF YOLANDA DIAZ AS DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR AT A SALARY OF $56,930.00 WITH BENEFITS RETROACTIVLY EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

**WHEREAS**, there is vacancy in the role of Deputy Court Administrator and as such, a need exists to appoint a permanent Deputy Court Administrator to perform the duties of such; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield hereby appoints Yolanda Diaz as Deputy Court Administrator at a salary of $56,930.00 with benefits retroactively effective November 1, 2017; and

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Court Administrator
4. Yolanda Diaz, Municipal Court
5. Anne Daley, Benefits
6. Carmela Sutor, Payroll

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 17- 396**

**AUTHORIZING 2017 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF $300,000.00**

**FOR THE CURRENT FUND AND $10,000.00 IN THE POOL UTILITY**

**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 attached transfers be approved.

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| **Councilman Bengivenga** |  | **x** | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
| **Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY** |  |  |  |  |

**RESOLUTION 2017-397**

**AUTHORIZING THE SERVICES OF STILO PAVING & EXCAVATING**

**TO INSTALL SPEED HUMPS**

**IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $9,450.00**

**BE IT RESOLVED** that The Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield is hereby authorizes the services of Stilo Paving & Excavating to install speed humps on Geary and Garden Drives in the Borough of South Plainfield in an amount not to exceed $9,450.00 to be paid out of the 2017 Road Repairs and Maintenance Budget.

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

1. Municipal Clerk
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent

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| **Councilman Dean**  |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilwoman Faustini** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Vesce** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Councilman Wolak** | **x** |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
| **Council President White** |  |  | **X** |  |  |  |  |
|  | **VOTE:** | **6** | **0** |  |
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Resolutions #17-398 and 17-399 were tabled this evening by Administrator Cullen for further review and consideration.

**AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CORRESPONDENCE:**

* Environmental Commission Monthly Report – September, 2017
* Business Economic Development Advisory Group Minutes – May 17, 2017
* Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes – October 3, 2017
* Recycling Monthly Report – September, 2017
* Planning Board Minutes – October 10, 2017

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**PAYMENT OF BILLS**

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| Current Fund | 7-01 | 376,058.12 |
| Current Fund | 6-01 | 0.00 |
| Pool Utility  | 6-26 | 0.00 |
| Pool Utility | 7-26 | 3,190.00 |
| Sewer Utility | 6-07 | 0.00 |
| Sewer Utility | 7-07 | 483.24 |
| Sewer Utility Capital | C-08 | 0.00 |
| General Capital | C-04 | 44,851.29 |
| Pool Capital | C-27 | 0.00 |
| Election Account | E-18 | 0.00 |
| Grant Fund | G-02 | 17,009.41 |
| Dog Trust | T-12 | 54.00 |
| Treasurers Trust | T-13 | 3,516.91 |
| Recreation Trust | T-14 | 929.00 |
| **TOTAL ALL FUNDS** |  | 446,091.97 |

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**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Borough Attorney Rizzo Esq. – reported progress.

Administrator Cullen – pointed out that the surplus this year should show an increase. There were also a few complaints regarding dog fecal matter left at the new dog park, however, when our DPW investigated both dog parks only one “violation” in this regard was found and tended to.

Engineer Miller – advised that the road work on Belmont is now complete and we will begin working on the change order road repair items.

Clerk Antonides – Clerk Antonides reminded everyone that tomorrow is election day and the polls will be open from 6 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Councilman Dean – said that as leaf season is upon us he asked for an analysis on the garbage trucks and what effect they will have on our pick-up schedule for the season. Mr. Miller advised that most leaves are still on the trees so we will begin with the one working garbage truck. One truck is inoperable and the other one we are working on getting parts to repair it. We will supplement with our pick-up trucks so we will remain on schedule and not be effected. Councilman Dean went on to question the other two trucks being down and showed concern for the price of these used vehicles from five years ago. Councilman Bengivenga explained that two trucks were purchased used in 2012 and were bonded for a five-year useful life. The trucks have served us well and we have even added more services and saved ¼ of a million dollars in doing so. Dialog went back and forth with Councilman Dean, Councilman Bengivenga, Mr. Miller and Mayor Anesh over the perceived pros and cons of the 2012 garbage truck purchase.

Councilwoman Faustini – reported progress.

Councilman Bengivenga – reported progress.

Councilman Vesce – advised that he was not in town at the time the garbage trucks were purchased and does not presently have all the facts surrounding their purchase at this time in order to comment about them. Councilman Vesce then went on to sincerely thank all the Veteran’s for their service.

Councilman Wolak – congratulated our South Plainfield Firefighter Mike Monzelli who just completed the New York City Marathon.

Council President White – reported that there are two ribbon cuttings forthcoming; Box Boot Camp and Metropolitan Dermatology.

Mayor Anesh – congratulated the First Baptist Church on celebrating their 225th anniversary. Mayor Anesh thanked the Public Celebrations for their two recent events; Trunk or Treat and Zombie fest. Mayor Anesh also thanked the Knights of Columbus for the Trivia Night event.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment.

Debbie Boyle of Van Fleet reminded everyone of various events forthcoming throughout South Plainfield from October through December. Such events are posted on the Borough website.

Darlene Cullen of Fox Place thanked the Mayor and Council for attending the Library’s Fall Festival saying next year we are going to look for a Tin Man. Mrs. Cullen advised that the Library will be having a protective guard rail installed at Willow Park within the next couple weeks

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 toadjourn. Council President White made a motion to adjourn at 7:59 p.m., seconded by Councilman Bengivenga

and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

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Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC/CMR

Municipal Clerk