

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2022 7:12 P.M.
PUBLIC MEETING**

***Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, this meeting was also transmitted virtually via the Webex platform**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Anesh called the meeting to order at 7:12 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 remote hybrid meeting having been provided to the Borough’s two official newspapers and also published on the Borough’s website. Instructions for accessing the remote public meeting are found on the Borough’s website next to the agendas. Documentation pertaining to the remote meeting can be found electronically on the Borough’s website.

The roll call was administered by Clerk Antonides as follows:

| COUNCIL | Present | Absent | Late |
|----------------------------|---------|--------|------|
| Councilman Bengivenga | X | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | X | | |
| Councilman Smith | X | | |
| Councilman White | X | | |
| Councilman Wolak | X | | |
| Council President Faustini | 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 Bengivenga said the invocation.

Mayor Anesh again reviewed some basic rules for conducting the hybrid virtual meeting this evening. All lines will be muted until such time that the floor is open for public comment. Each phone call or virtual hand raise will be taken one at a time. To unmute the microphone, just click on the red microphone picture that has a line through it. It will then turn green indicating you have been unmuted and may begin to speak. Callers may dial 1-646-922-2010 followed by the access code of 126 663 1990 #. Using the pound button will mute and unmute the voice feature for any phone callers.

Public Comment: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment on agenda items only. Mayor Anesh also awaited virtual hand raises; he then unmuted all microphones. With no comments from the public in-person and virtual, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

Authorizing the Approval of Council Minutes:

- October 17, 2022 – Agenda Meeting
- October 17, 2022 - Public Meeting
- October 17, 2022 – Executive Session
- October 21, 2022 – Special Meeting

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | x | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

Presentation – Promotion of Police Officers

#22-324A Authorizing the promotion of the following Police Officers with an annual salary pursuant to the salary ordinance and/or local contract effective November 11, 2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, in the State of New Jersey, at the Police Chief’s recommendation that it hereby confirms the promotions of the following Police Officers at a salary pursuant to ordinance and/or PBA Contract effective November 11, 2022:

- Sgt. James McConville promoted to the position of Lieutenant
- Officer Stephen Perhach promoted to the position of Sergeant
- Officer Zachary Melanson promoted to the position of Sergeant

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. James Parker, Chief of Police
4. Anne Daley, Benefits
5. Carmela Miller, Payroll

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | x | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

Councilman Wolak read a bio on each officer then Mayor Anesh called each officer forward to perform their oath of office with their family members present. Everyone extended a round of applause and photographs were taken by family, friends and media present. Each member of the governing body extended their congratulations to each officer.

Mayor Anesh called for a brief recess at 7:28 pm. Mayor Anesh called the meeting back to order at 7:33 pm.

ORDINANCES:

The following ordinance #2247 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a second reading. Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment and with no comments made, closed the floor. The council had no comments.

**ORDINANCE 2247
AN ORDINANCE VACATING THE BOROUGH’S AUTHORITY AND CONTROL
OVER A PORTION OF WEST END AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF
SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.**

WHEREAS, West End Avenue is a right-of-way depicted on the Borough’s current Tax Map; and

WHEREAS, West End Avenue terminates as a dead end at the point it meets Interstate Route 287; and

WHEREAS, a portion of West End Avenue at its terminus is between three lots, Lot 2, Block 237, and Lots 2 and 3, Block 536, which lots are owned by different corporate entities, but said entities are wholly owned by the same individual; and

WHEREAS, the portion of West End Avenue at its terminus abutting the referenced lots is not utilized or developed; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe there is no public benefit to continuing the remainder of West End Avenue as a right-of-way and that the Borough has no need for such; and

WHEREAS, vacation of said section will allow development of the properties abutting said section which will provide the Borough with tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made by the ownership of the referenced lots for the Borough to vacate its authority and control over the section of West End Avenue described in the attached Schedule A; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED 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 West End Avenue as described more particularly in the attached Schedule A are hereby extinguished and vacated;

2. The Borough Clerk shall, within 60 days of the effective date of this Ordinance, file a copy of this Ordinance certified by her under the seal of the Borough to be a true copy thereof, together with proof of publication, in the Office of the Clerk of the County of Middlesex in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:67-21.

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

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | | | | | X |
| Councilwoman Mott | X | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | X | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 5 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

The following ordinance #2248 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a first reading. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for December 5, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The council had no comments.

BOND ORDINANCE #2248

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS, INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS, SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER RELATED IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$1,039,500 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$990,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$1,039,500, including the sum of \$49,500 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$990,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is traffic signal improvements, intersection improvements, sidewalk improvements and other related improvements to various roads, including, but not limited to, Stelton Road and New Durham Avenue and Corporate Boulevard and New Durham Avenue and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Borough hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the

extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Borough may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 10 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$990,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$325,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

Section 7. The Borough hereby declares the intent of the Borough to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of the Treasury Regulations.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3(a) hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Borough is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Borough and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Borough. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Borough pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Borough and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Borough fails to

comply with its undertaking, the Borough shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | x | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | x | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION 22-325

AUTHORIZING THE PART-TIME HIRING OF RICHARD OLAH, JR. TO THE POSITION OF GROUNDSKEEPER AT THE HOURLY RATE PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE

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

It hereby authorizes the hiring of Richard Olah Jr. to the position of part-time Groundskeeper at the hourly rate of \$13.75 pursuant to Ordinance effective November 9, 2022, and

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

1. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
2. Carmela Miller, Payroll
3. Anne Daley, Benefits
4. Alice Tempel, Environmentalist
5. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent
6. John Abbruzzese, IT

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

RESOLUTION 22-326
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT SERVICES OF OCEAN COMPUTER GROUP
TO PURCHASE MICROSOFT CLOUD AD SYNC SOFTWARE
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,540.00

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes the NJ State Contract services of Ocean Computer Group to purchase Microsoft Cloud AD Sync Software in an amount not to exceed \$10,540.00 pursuant to state contract number 19-TELE-00656 & 89968, 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. John Abbruzzese, IT

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

RESOLUTION 22-327
AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF IT EQUIPMENT THAT IS DEEMED TO HAVE OUTLIVED ITS USEFUL LIFE, IS
PERMANENTLY DAMAGED,
OR HOLDS NO MONETARY VALUE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes John Abbruzzese, IT Officer, to dispose of the following items deemed to have outlived its useful life and/or is permanently damaged, and/or that holds no monetary value:

SAVIN COPIER C9135 ASSET #2225

BE IT RESOLVED that the aforementioned item(s) are also to be removed from the Borough of South Plainfield’s asset inventory; 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. John Abbruzzese, IT Department

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

RESOLUTION 22-328
ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF PAUL CANO
FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 11, 2022

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

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It hereby accepts the retirement of Paul Cano from the Police Department effective 11/11/2022; and

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

1. Glenn Cullen, Administrator/CFO
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. Anne Daley, Benefits
4. Carmela Miller, Payroll
5. James Parker, Chief of Police
6. John Abbruzzese, IT

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

**RESOLUTION 22-329
AUTHORIZING 2022 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$216,500.00 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 |
| 2-01-20-130-000-101 | Financial Administration | S&W | 26,000.00 |
| 2-01-23-220-000-621 | Health Benefits | O&E | 97,500.00 |
| 2-01-25-260-000-101 | First Aid | S&W | 15,000.00 |
| 2-01-25-260-000-209 | First Aid | O&E | 13,500.00 |
| 2-01-27-330-002-403 | Youth Aid | O&E | 500.00 |
| 2-01-30-425-001-101 | Salary & Wage Adj. | O&E | 1,000.00 |
| 2-01-25-265-003-581 | Fire Service Charges | O&E | 3,000.00 |
| 2-01-36-471-000-681 | PERS | Statutory | 60,000.00 |
| Total FROM: | | | 216,500.00 |
| TO: | | | AMOUNT |
| 2-01-20-140-000-225 | Computers | O&E | 10,000.00 |
| 2-01-20-110-000-101 | Executive | S&W | 2,000.00 |
| 2-01-22-195-001-101 | Code Enforcement | S&W | 50,000.00 |
| 2-01-25-240-001-102 | Police | S&W | 30,000.00 |
| 2-01-25-240-001-475 | Police | O&E | 10,000.00 |
| 2-01-26-290-001-403 | Public Works Administration | O&E | 1,000.00 |
| 2-01-26-290-002-102 | Road Repairs & Maintenance | S&W | 5,000.00 |
| 2-01-26-290-002-461 | Road Repairs & Maintenance | O&E | 4,000.00 |
| 2-01-26-310-000-102 | Public Buidings & Grounds | S&W | 15,000.00 |
| 2-01-27-330-002-101 | Youth Aid | O&E | 500.00 |
| 2-01-28-370-001-101 | Recreation | S&W | 15,000.00 |
| 2-01-31-420-001-555 | Electric | O & E | 16,000.00 |
| 2-01-31-435-002-555 | Street Lights | O & E | 15,000.00 |
| 2-01-31-440-001-541 | Telephone | O & E | 5,000.00 |
| 2-01-31-465-001-565 | Gasoline | O & E | 15,000.00 |
| 2-01-32-465-001-545 | Landfill | O & E | 11,000.00 |
| 2-01-43-490-000-101 | Court | S&W | 12,000.00 |
| Total TO: | | | 216,500.00 |

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

**RESOLUTION 22-330
ACCEPTING THE RETIREMENT OF DARYL STROTHER
FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE 05/03/2023**

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

It hereby accepts the retirement of Daryl Strother from the Police Department effective 05/03/2023; and

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

1. Glenn Cullen, Administrator/CFO
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. Anne Daley, Benefits
4. Carmela Miller, Payroll
5. James Parker, Chief of Police
6. John Abbruzzese, IT

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

**RESOLUTION 22-330A
AUTHORIZING THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF A POLICE VEHICLE
FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM GENTILINI MOTORS
IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$53,630.77**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes the NJ State Contract purchase of a police vehicle for the Police Department from Gentilini Motors in an amount not to exceed \$53,630.77 pursuant to state contract number #EST6766; 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. James Parker, Police Chief

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

RESOLUTION 22-330B
RESCINDING RESOLUTION 22-257 THAT AUTHORIZED THE PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT OF OFFICER
JOSEPH M. INDANO

WHEREAS, resolution 22-257 stated that a vacancy exists in the Police Department of the Borough of South Plainfield in a position of Police Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Service Commission has not promulgated a current list of eligible candidates for appointment to the position of Police Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police had recommended that Police Officer Joseph M. Indano be provisionally promoted to the position of sergeant in the Police Department of the Borough of South Plainfield effective July 25, 2022 but now recommends that he now be returned to his permanent title of Police Officer;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that at the Police Chief's recommendation we now rescind Resolution 22-257 that provisionally appointed Police Officer Joseph M. Indano to the position of Sergeant of the Police Department of the Borough of South Plainfield effective July 25, 2022 at a salary pursuant to ordinance and/or PBA contract to now be returned to his permanent title of Police Officer; and

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | x | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | x | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Board of Health Monthly Report – October 2022
- Environmental Commission Minutes – September 14, 2022
- EPA Update – Cornell-Dubilier / Bound Brook

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
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| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | x | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | | x | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
| | | VOTE: | 6 | 0 | | | |
| Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY | | | | | | | |

PAYMENT OF BILLS

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| Current Fund | 1-01 | 12,715.00 |
| Current Fund | 2-01 | 548,934.42 |
| Pool Utility | 1-26 | 0.00 |
| Pool Utility | 2-26 | 8,000.00 |
| Sewer Utility | 1-07 | 14,000.00 |
| Sewer Utility | 2-07 | 61,881.25 |
| Sewer Utility Capital | C-08 | 0.00 |
| General Capital | C-04 | 122,261.89 |
| Pool Capital | C-27 | 22,615.00 |
| Election Account | E-18 | 0.00 |
| Grant Fund | G-02 | 2,067.04 |
| Dog Trust | T-12 | 38.40 |
| Treasurers Trust | T-13 | 17,823.98 |
| Recreation Trust | T-14 | 2,558.45 |
| Senior Citizen Trust | T-16 | 0.00 |
| Total All Funds: | | \$812,895.43 |

| COUNCIL | MOTION | 2 ND | AYES | NAYS | ABSTAIN | ABSENT | RECUSE |
|-------------------------------|--------|-----------------|----------|----------|---------|--------|--------|
| Councilman Bengivenga | | | X | | | | |
| Councilwoman Mott | | X | X | | | | |
| Councilman Smith | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman White | | | X | | | | |
| Councilman Wolak | X | | X | | | | |
| Council President Faustini | | | X | | | | |
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COUNCIL REPORTS:

Borough Attorney Paul Rizzo – reported progress.

Administrator Cullen – was absent this evening.

Engineer Miller – reported progress

Clerk Antonides – reported that for the first time, South Plainfield was the first municipality in the County to report all election precinct results, which was thanks to all the excellent poll workers who worked the election.

Councilman Smith – reported progress.

Councilman Wolak – congratulated the officers on their new promotions this evening.

Councilwoman Mott – congratulated Daryle Strother on his retirement and wished him well.

Councilman Bengivenga – wished all the Veteran’s a happy Veteran’s Day and said that we should remember them every day. Councilman Bengivenga went on to congratulate Mayor Anesh, Councilwoman Mott and Councilman Smith on becoming re-elected.

Council President Faustini – reminded everyone that there will be a Veteran’s Day ceremony at the Senior Center and then went on to congratulate all the newly re-elected governing body members.

Councilman White – said he appreciates the Veterans who sacrifice their lives for us. Councilman White announced that a new specialty market will be going in where the former Bravo Supermarkets was located.

Mayor Anesh –reported progress.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment reiterating the aforementioned remote directions for making remote public comment.

Scott Miller of 19 Babes Drive (virtual) congratulated all the officers who were promoted this evening and also congratulated the re-elected governing body members. Mr. Miller reported that the Public Celebrations Trunk or Treat was a great success for some 650 registrants. The next event is “Making Spirits Bright” which will be held on December 11th with a rain date of December 18th.

Without further comment from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor from the public and advised that we will be going into Closed Session at this time, 7:42 p.m., and 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 White made a motion to adjourn at 8:21 p.m., seconded by Councilman Wolak and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk