**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH**

**BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**APRIL 3, 2023, 7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA 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 7:00 p.m. Mayor Anesh read the sunshine statement and announced that same is being held pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of 1974 and all provisions of that Act have been met with adequate notice of this 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 Amy Antonides as follows:

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

Mayor Anesh reviewed some basic rules for conducting this virtual hybrid 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 \*6 button will mute and unmute the voice feature for any phone callers.

**Review of Agenda Items**: Clerk Antonides reviewed all the items on the agenda. Mayor Anesh asked the Council if they had any further comments. Mr. Cullen pointed out in conjunction with resolution 23-134 on the agenda tonight the school board has recently met with us to the discuss the payment of permit fees for the Riley School Anex Project. Mr. Cullen said it is up to the Governing Body as to what they wish to charge. The Construction Official said the permit fees would be about $29,000.00. Mr. Domico said he feels we should charge something. Council President Bengivenga asked if there will be any above and beyond hours for the inspectors. Mr. Domico said yes, overtime on evenings and weekends. Council President Bengivenga suggested we should get at least 25% of the cost of the fees to accommodate these costs. Councilwoman Faustini said she would be waive the fees. Mayor Anesh said it’s really juggling tax dollars from one entity to another and would agree to waive the fees, saying we can perhaps make up for it through shared services. After further discussion Councilman Wolak made a motion to add resolution 23-142 to tonight’s agenda to waive the permit fees for this project, seconded by Council President Bengivenga and unanimously carried.

**RESOLUTION 23-124**

**AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION MEETING**

There were no closed session matters for this evening.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comment reiterating the aforementioned directions for making remote public comments. With no comments made from the public, Mayor Anesh closed the floor.

**ADJOURN AGENDA MEETING**: With no further comments, Mayor Anesh asked for a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting. Councilman White made a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting at 7:14 p.m., seconded by Councilwoman Mott and unanimously carried by an all-in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC/CMR