

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2015, 7:00 P.M.
AGENDA MEETING**

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 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 Amy 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	

Review of Agenda Items: Clerk Antonides reviewed all the items on the agenda for this evening.

Mayor Anesh asked if the Council has any comments on the agenda this evening. Councilman Diana asked to have the following resolutions put aside to be voted on separately; 15-45 and 15-52. Councilman Diana said he does have some questions regarding Ordinance 2014 but will wait until we get to that point.

**RESOLUTION #15-41
AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION MEETING**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 and P.L. 2001, C. 404, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield wishes to go into a closed Executive Session and is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist which should not be discussed in public, and

WHEREAS the Open Public Meetings Act pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 and N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits the Borough Council to discuss certain matter(s) in private, and in this case for the purpose of the Borough Council to discuss the below matters all of which requires attorney-client privilege:

- Personnel – Prosecutor & Public Defender Pensions
- Litigation and Contractual – VFW Property Sale
- Litigation – Cooper Truck
- Personnel – Senior Center Rules and Regulations
- Personnel – Municipal Court, Dawn Daponte
- Contract Negotiation – Transfer Station

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it will go into an Executive Session for the purpose of Borough Council to discuss the aforementioned matters all of which requires attorney-client privilege in this regard;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the results of such discussion may be revealed at such time as the matter(s) are resolved and/or a contract(s) is signed and/or the negotiations are formally settled. Interested parties may contact the Borough Clerk anytime during normal business hours for periodic updates as to the availability in this regard.

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	X				
Council President White			X				
		VOTE:	6	0			
Mayor Anesh – TIE ONLY							

Mayor Anesh moved this evenings two proclamations forward to this part of the agenda.

Proclamation(s):

- Honoring Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- Honoring the South Plainfield Soccer Team

Mayor Anesh read both proclamations in full and provided a copy to those applicable members of the public. The entire soccer team was present to receive an individual proclamation for each student. Their coach thanked the Council for their support. Each member of the Borough Council in turn expressed their congratulations and well wishes to the Soccer Team on their accomplishments. Everyone extended a round of applause and photographs were taken.

Mayor Anesh than called for a brief recess at 7:21 p.m.. Mayor Anesh called the meeting back to order at 7:40 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mayor Anesh opened the floor for public comments.
With no public comments made, Mayor Anesh closed the floor from public comments.

ADJOURN AGENDA MEETING: With no further comments, Mayor Anesh asked for a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting. Councilman Barletta made a motion to adjourn from the Agenda Meeting at 7:42 p.m., seconded by Councilman Rusnak and unanimously carried by an all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Amy Antonides

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