

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH
BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2022 7:03 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 7:03 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 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 Smith 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:

- November 21, 2022 – Agenda Meeting
- November 21, 2022 - Public Meeting
- November 21, 2022 – Executive Session

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

ORDINANCES:

The following ordinance #2248 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.

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
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							

The following ordinance #2249 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a first reading. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The council had no comments.

ORDINANCE 2249
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 352 OF THE CODE OF
THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ENTITLED “SEWERS” PERTAINING TO THE ANNUAL SEWER RATES FOR THE YEAR 2023

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, State of New Jersey that the following be and is hereby amended as follows:

Schedule A
Annual Sewer Rental - 2023
(Effective for bill periods beginning January 1, 2023)

This Schedule A hereby establishes three (3) sewer user classes under this ordinance as follows:

- (1) Residential structures
 - (1A) Residential structures\$380.00 per service unit
 - (1B) Residential structures reduced rate:\$190.00 per service unit.

All recipients of the \$250.00 real property tax deduction granted in accordance with the provisions of P.L. 1963, C. 172 (R.S. 54:4-8.41) shall be given a deduction in the sewer rental rate that will result in a net annual rate not exceeding \$190.00.

- (2) Commercial users
Minimum annual sewer service unit user charge for any Commercial user connected to the Borough Sanitary Sewer System shall be seven hundred dollars (\$700.00). The following rates are for actual consumption in 100 cubic feet of water used per information supplied by the water company(ies).

(2A)	Class 1	\$8.35000
(2B)	Class 2	\$10.00000
(2C)	Class 3	\$12.28800
(2D)	Class 4	\$7.02500
(2E)	Class 5	\$6.75600
(2F)	Class 6	\$6.76200
(2G)	Class 7	\$8.62800
(2H)	Class 8	\$8.40200
(2I)	Class 9	\$8.76700

- (3) Industrial Establishment Users
 - (3A) Monitored Industrial establishments:

Notwithstanding any rates set forth herein to the contrary, in no case shall the charge for Monitored Industrial users be less than the charge for an equal volume of flow as otherwise would be determined utilizing the commercial establishments rate set forth in Commercial User (2C) Class 3 rate \$12.288 or for a minimum annual user charge of seven hundred dollars (\$700.00), whichever is higher. In addition to the loading and flow charges, the Monitored Industrial User shall pay for the cost of sampling and laboratory testing of the wastewater.

(1)	Flow Million Gallons	\$4,524.15
(2)	BOD per Ton.....	\$1,048.21
(3)	SS per Ton.....	\$1,345.39
(4)	Chlorine Demand per CWT	\$111.09

- (3B) Unmonitored Industrial User\$13.464 per 100 cubic feet

- (4) Sample collection fees and laboratory analysis fees paid by the Borough shall be a pass-through cost to the User being monitored and shall be included on the next bill.
- (5) Application for a Certificate of Use for sanitary sewer review shall be through the Borough Building Department. The fee shall be \$100.00 for an application of a change of building use. This fee is in addition to the current Building Department Review Fee.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

The following ordinance #2250 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a first reading. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The council had no comments.

ORDINANCE 2250

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 352, SECTION 352-9 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED “SEWERS”

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, State of New Jersey that Chapter 352, Section 352-9 of the Code of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey be amended as follows:

§ 352-9 Maintenance by owner; connections fees.

[Amended 5-15-2007 by Ord. No. 1786]

A.

All connections, service connections and fixtures furnished by the owner shall be maintained by him in good order, and all piping and connections furnished and owned by the Borough and on the property of the owner shall be protected properly and cared for by the owner. All leaks in the service connections or any other pipe or fixture in or upon the premises served must be repaired immediately by the owner of the premises. The owner shall be responsible for notifying the Borough of the party engaged by said owner to do any maintenance work in the owner's service connections prior to work being commenced and said party shall not backfill any trench until the work has been inspected and approved by the Borough's representative. Any work not acceptable shall be immediately removed and replaced by work which is acceptable.

B.

The Borough shall in no way be responsible for maintaining any portion of the service connections owned by the owner or for damage done by sewage escaping therefrom or for lines or fixtures on the owner's property; and the owner shall at all times comply with applicable municipal regulations with respect thereto and make changes therein required by reason of changes of grade, relocation of mains or otherwise.

C.

The Borough will not assume any responsibility for backup or flooding of or caused by any fixture that is lower than eight inches above the rim of the nearest manhole in the street.

D.

The Borough shall in no event be responsible for maintaining any portion of the service connection owned by the customer, or for damage done by water escaping therefrom; or from lines or fixtures on the customer's property; and the customer shall at all times comply with applicable municipal regulations with respect thereto.

E.

The owner shall obtain and pay for the required road opening permits, plumbing permits, and all other applicable regulations and conditions pertaining thereto.

(1)

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Hereafter, before any building sewer is connected to a lateral sewer, service connections or sewer main, the owner shall make application, in writing, on proper forms furnished for that purpose to the Borough and pay for every direct or indirect connection to the sanitary sewerage system of the Borough of South Plainfield or any part thereof. The following capacity rate/trunk connection charges are established at the following rates. When a developer is commencing construction on a new development or section of a development, the connection fees for the entire section or development, if not sectionalized, shall be posted prior to the construction of the sanitary sewer extension or issuance of the first building permit, whichever occurs first. No permit shall be issued prior to the payment of the appropriate connection fee.

(a)

Residential user: \$3,000 for each single-family dwelling or unit.

(b)

All other users:

[1]

\$5,000 for the first 400 gallons of estimated annual daily average flow, plus \$5,000 for each additional 400 gallons of estimated annual average flow or major fraction thereof as determined by the Borough on the basis of the factors specified in N.J.S.A. 40:14A-8, the data and information made available to the Borough and the results of Borough investigation on meter reading studies.

[2]

In cases where the annual daily average flow cannot be computed with certainty because the factors constituting the criteria for computing these charges have not yet been determined with certainty, the charges shall be determined on the basis of relevant information requested by and supplied to the Borough. After the first year of operation, so that the annual daily flow can be established with certainty, the connection fee shall be adjusted to reflect that use. In no event shall the connection fee for stores, shopping centers and office buildings be calculated on less than 0.1 gallons per day per square foot of occupancy.

All other fees and provisions of this Article shall remain in full force and effect. This amendment becomes effective after final adoption and advertisement in accordance with the law.

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

The following ordinance #2251 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a first reading. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The council had no comments.

BOND ORDINANCE #2251

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS SEWER UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED ROADWORK IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$900,000

**THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$900,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF
THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE 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"). For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$900,000. No down payment is required as the purpose authorized herein is deemed self-liquidating and the bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the Borough, as more fully explained in Section 6(e) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$900,000 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 various sewer utility improvements and related roadwork, including, but not limited to, lateral and manhole replacements and repairs, sewer repairs, the installation of sewer televisions, stream encasement, road restoration, road repairs and road resurfacing 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 self-liquidating purpose of a municipal public utility. 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 20 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 \$900,000, but that the net debt of the Borough determined as provided in the Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$175,000 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.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Borough solely for purposes described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from the gross debt of the Borough pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

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
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							

The following ordinance #2252 was read by Clerk Antonides by title for a first reading. Mayor Anesh set the public hearing for December 19, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. The council had no comments.

ORDINANCE 2252

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2228 THAT PROVIDES FOR THE COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND THE METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR PART TIME SEASONAL HELP FOR THE COMMUNITY POOL, SUMMER PARKS AND TIGER CAMP

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.

Budget 2023

Pool Employees

Employee Type	Rate per Hour	Stipend for Summer
Pool Attendant (Non-Certified Staff)	\$13.50	
Lifeguard (Tier 1)	\$15.50	
Lifeguard (Tier 2)	\$16.25	
Lifeguard (Tier 3)	\$17.25	
Assistant Manager (Tier 1)	\$20.00	
Assistant Manager (Tier 2)	\$21.00	
Assistant Manager (Tier 3)	\$23.00	
Head Manager		\$17,000.00
Assitant Swim Coach		\$3,000.00
Head Swim Coach		\$6,000.00

Swim Instruction will pay an additional \$1.00/per hour from guard rate.
 Sat/Sun will pay an additional \$2.00/per hour.
 Holiday will pay an additional \$3.00/per hour.

Summer Parks

Employee Type	Rate per Hour	Stipend for Summer
Camp Counselor I	\$13.50	
Camp Counselor II	\$13.75	
Camp Counselor III	\$14.00	
Camp Counselor IV	\$14.25	
Head Counselor	\$26.00	

Tiger Camp

Employee Type	Rate per Hour	Stipend for Summer
Group Leader	\$14.25	
Camp Supersivor	\$18.00	
Assistant Director	\$20.00	
Director	\$40.00	
Camp Certified Teacher		\$6,000.00
Camp Registrar		\$2,400.00

SECTION 2. INCONSISTENCY – All ordinance or parts of ordinances 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.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION: 22-345

AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC AUCTION BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR ABANDONED UNCLAIMED VEHICLE(S)

WHEREAS, the South Plainfield Police Department in accordance with R.S. 39:10A-1, are in possession of abandoned vehicles due to the failure of the owners claiming such and are now desirous of conducting a public auction on Friday, December 16, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey for the following abandoned vehicles:

YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	VIN#	STATUS	MIN. BID
1998	Ford	Crown Vic	2FAFP74W6WX181487	Fair	\$500.00
2002	Chevy	Malibu	1G1ND52J12M518331	Fair	\$300.00
2013	Volkswagon	GTI	WVWHD7AJ2DW130419	Fair	\$500.00
1997	VIP Boat	Trailer	4GV7951T0V1000713	Fair	\$500.00
1997	VIX Open	Boat	VVIUS608J697	Fair	\$1,000.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that the South Plainfield Police Department are hereby authorized to publicly advertise and auction the aforementioned vehicles deemed to be abandoned by their owner(s).

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

RESOLUTION 22-346

AMENDING RESOLUTION 22-330A THAT AUTHORIZED THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASE OF A POLICE VEHICLE FROM GENTILINI MOTORS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$53,630.77 TO NOW INDICATE IT IS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND NOT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby amends resolution 22-330A that authorized 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 to now indicate it is for the Fire Department and not the Police Department 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. Tom Scalera, Fire Chief

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-347

AMENDING RESOLUTION 22-338 THAT AUTHORIZED A REFUND OF A TAX APPEAL JUDGEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,017.25 PERTAINING TO 1001 DURHAM PARTNERS LLC TO CORRECT THE YEAR FROM 2022 TO 2020

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

WHEREAS, the following list of taxpayers have filed appeals with the Tax Court of New Jersey and have received judgments reducing their assessments:

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 appeals be refunded.

<u>OWNER/ADDRESS</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1001 Durham Partners, LLC 1001 Durham Avenue South Plainfield, NJ 07080	550	4.01	2020	\$45,017.25

Make check payable to:
1001 Durham Partners LLC

Mail to:
Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC
280 Raritan Center Parkway
Edison, NJ 08837

Total **\$45,017.25 ***

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that resolution 22-338 is hereby amended to reflect the year 2020 instead of 2022 and the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to issue a check(s) in the amount(s) as mentioned above.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

**RESOLUTION 22-348
AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUNIOR FIREFIGHTER RACHEL MULLER FOR THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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 confirms the appointments of:

Rachel Muller
2234 Murray Avenue
South Plainfield, NJ 07080

for the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department as a Junior Firefighter as recommended by Fire Chief Scalera.

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

1. Glenn Cullen, CFO
2. Carmela Miller, Payroll
3. Anne Daley, Benefits
4. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
5. Fire Chief Scalera

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

RESOLUTION 22-349
AUTHORIZING THE SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD FOR ROAD
IMPROVEMENTS TO STELTON ROAD FROM NEW DURHAM
ROAD TO MELROSE AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE A
CONTRACT FOR THE SAME.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey that they hereby authorizes the Shared Service Agreement between the County of Middlesex and the Borough of South Plainfield for road improvements to Stelton Road from New Durham Road to Melrose Avenue in the Borough of South Plainfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said Shared Service Agreement and that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following:

1. Glenn F. Cullen, JR., CFO/Administrator
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. James Parker, Chief of Police
4. Len Miller, Borough Engineer / DPW Superintendent
5. County of Middlesex DOT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-350
AUTHORIZING THE SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
PROVIDING FOR THE MODIFICATION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION
OF NEW DURHAM ROAD AND CORPORATE BLVD AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND
MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE SAME.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey that they hereby authorizes the Shared Service Agreement between the County of Middlesex and the Borough of South Plainfield providing for the modification of traffic control signal at the intersection of New Durham Road and Corporate Blvd in the Borough of South Plainfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said Shared Service Agreement and that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following:

1. Glenn F. Cullen, JR., CFO/Administrator
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. James Parker, Chief of Police

4. Len Miller, Borough Engineer / DPW Superintendent
5. County of Middlesex DOT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-351
AUTHORIZING 2022 APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$135,000.00 FROM THE CURRENT FUND AND \$5,000.00 FROM 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 below transfers be approved.

CURRENT FUND				AMOUNT
FROM:				
2-01-20-120-000-103	Clerk		S&W	2,500.00
2-01-20-130-000-101	Finance		S&W	2,500.00
2-01-20-155-000-221	Legal		O&E	5,000.00
2-01-21-185-000-101	Zoning Board		S&W	5,000.00
2-01-23-220-000-621	Insurance		O&E	85,000.00
2-01-26-290-001-101	Public Works Admin		S&W	4,000.00
2-01-26-290-002-101	Road Repairs & Maintenance		S&W	2,000.00
2-01-27-330-001-101	Health Department		S&W	1,500.00
2-01-27-335-001-101	Environmental		S&W	2,000.00
2-01-27-345-001-101	Public Assistance		S&W	1,500.00
2-01-28-370-002-101	Office on Aging		S&W	2,000.00
2-01-28-380-002-322	Human Relations		O&E	1,000.00
2-01-30-410-001-535	Municipal Support		O&E	11,000.00
2-01-36-471-000-681	PERS		Statutory	10,000.00
Total FROM:				135,000.00
TO:				AMOUNT
2-01-22-195-001-675	Code Enforcement		O&E	12,000.00
2-01-25-240-001-102	Police		S&W	15,000.00
2-01-25-240-001-321	Police		O&E	16,000.00
2-01-26-290-002-425	Road Repairs & Maintenance		O&E	2,000.00
2-01-26-290-003-321	Snow		O&E	5,000.00
2-01-26-305-003-101	Recycling		S&W	4,000.00
2-01-26-305-003-235	Recycling		O&E	7,000.00
2-01-26-310-000-101	Public Buildings & Grounds		O&E	16,000.00
2-01-26-315-000-401	Vehicle Maintenance		O&E	3,000.00
2-01-28-370-001-101	Recreation		S&W	5,000.00
2-01-28-370-002-401	Office on Aging		O&E	1,000.00
2-01-28-380-002-322	Human Relations		O&E	1,000.00
2-01-30-415-001-101	Accumulated Absenses		O&E	10,000.00
2-01-31-420-001-555	Electric		O&E	5,000.00
2-01-31-435-002-555	Street Lights		O&E	11,000.00
2-01-31-440-001-541	Telephone		O&E	3,000.00
2-01-31-465-001-565	Gasoline		O&E	11,000.00
2-01-44-901-000-235	Capital Improvement Fund		Capital	3,000.00
2-01-36-472-000-675	SSI		Statutory	5,000.00
Total TO:				135,000.00
POOL				
FROM:				AMOUNT
2-26-55-520-000-101	Pool S&W		S&W	3,500.00
2-26-55-560-000-675	SSI		Statutory	1,500.00
Total FROM:				5,000.00
TO:				AMOUNT
2-26-55-520-000-400	Other Expenses		O&E	3,500.00
2-26-55-520-000-401	Other Expenses		O&E	1,500.00
Total TO:				5,000.00

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-352

ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF VICKY RODRIGUEZ AS A FULL-TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR AND ACCEPTING HER AS A PART-TIME TELECOMMUNICATOR AT THE PER DIEM TRAINING RATE OF \$22.50/HOUR AND UPON COMPLETION OF TRAINING TO BE PAID AT THE HOURLY PER DIEM RATE OF \$31.00

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

It hereby accepts the resignation of Vicky Rodriguez as a full-time Telecommunicator and instead, accepts her as a part-time Telecommunicator for the South Plainfield Police Department at the per diem training rate of \$22.50 and upon completion of training to be paid at the hourly per diem rate of \$31.00, 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. Lt. James McConville, Police Department
5. John Abbruzzese, IT

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-353

AUTHORIZING THE ESCNJ COOPERATIVE PURCHASE OF A GARBAGE TRUCK FROM HUDSON COUNTY MOTORS / SANITATION EQUIPMENT CORP. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$268,680.47

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes the below itemized ESCNJ cooperative purchase of a garbage truck for the DPW from Hudson County Motors / Sanitation Equipment Corp. in a total amount not to exceed \$268,680.47 pursuant to the ESCNJ cooperative contract number #ESCNJ 20/21 CO-OP #65MCESCCPS:

Hudson County Motors Inc.	\$145,268.60	for 2024 Western Star 47xSB
Hudson County Motors Inc.	\$ 8,000.00	for Daimler Surcharge
Sanitation Equipment Corp.	\$115,411.87	for Leach 2Rlll 29 yd body
Total:		\$268,680.47

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

4. Glenn Cullen, CFO
5. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
6. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent

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

RESOLUTION 22-354

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN TEAMSTERS LOCAL #469 AND THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, Teamsters Local #469 and the Borough of South Plainfield have executed a labor agreement thru 12/31/2023.;
and

WHEREAS, Teamsters has requested that the clothing allowance and boot allowance listed under Article #39 “UNIFORMS” be combined. This will result in no increase in benefit costs but a total uniform/boot benefit of \$1,075 in 2022 and \$1,150 in 2023. and

WHEREAS, the Borough agrees that this is a reasonable request and provides efficiencies for both the Borough and members of Teamsters Local #469;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes that Article #39 in the labor agreement between the Borough of South Plainfield and Teamsters Local #469 be amended. The amendment will result in no additional benefit costs but will list a combined uniform/boot benefit of \$1,075 in 2022 and \$1,150 in 2023.

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

1. Glenn Cullen, CFO/Administrator
2. Paul Rizzo, Esq.
3. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent
4. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
5. Jeffrey Pryor Teamsters Local #469

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

RESOLUTION 22-355

AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL WAIVER OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT FEES FOR A CONSTRUCTION REHABILITATION PROJECT TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE LOCATED AT BLOCK 366, LOT 2.03 IN SOUTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, rehabilitation at a home located at Block 366, Lot 2.03 in South Plainfield to provide a better suited living environment and improve upon the quality of life for the residents within due to a serious catastrophic event that occurred in 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, Middlesex County, do hereby authorizes the waiver of all permit fees for the aforementioned project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that further details of said project are attached to this resolution as an addendum; and

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

1. Glenn Cullen, CFO/Administrator
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. Dominic Demico, Construction Official

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

**RESOLUTION 22-356
AUTHORIZING THE RENTAL SERVICES OF JESCO FOR
A FRONT-END LOADER FOR THE DPW IN AN AMOUNT
NOT TO EXCEED \$13,500.00 FOR THREE MONTHS**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that it hereby authorizes the rental services of Jesco for a front-end loader for the DPW to assist with snow removal during the winter months in an amount not to exceed \$13,500.00 (\$4,500/month) for three months; 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. Len Miller, DPW Superintendent

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

**RESOLUTION 22-357
AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND THE BOROUGH OF
SOUTH PLAINFIELD FOR GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$595,773.75 FROM THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY
OPEN SPACE, RECREATION, FARMLAND AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FOR THE PUTNAM
PARK REVITALIZATION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that they hereby authorize a grant agreement between the County of Middlesex and the Borough of South Plainfield for acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$595,773.75 from the Middlesex County Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for the Putnam Park Revitalization Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement and that copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the following:

1. Glenn F. Cullen, JR., CFO/Administrator
2. Amy Antonides, Municipal Clerk
3. Elizabeth Yarus, Recreation Director
4. Len Miller, Borough Engineer / DPW Superintendent

5. Honorable Ronald G. Rios, Middlesex County Board of Commissioners
6. Rick Lear, Middlesex County Director of Parks & Recreation

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Board of Health Monthly Report – November 2022
- BEDAG Minutes – July 6, 2022

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	RECUSE
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							

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Current Fund	1-01	35,505.34
Current Fund	2-01	677,436.53
Pool Utility	1-26	0.00
Pool Utility	2-26	0.00
Sewer Utility	1-07	0.00
Sewer Utility	2-07	1,146,591.17
Sewer Utility Capital	C-08	0.00
General Capital	C-04	70,583.44
Pool Capital	C-27	0.00
Election Account	E-18	21,675.00
Grant Fund	G-02	39,128.28
Dog Trust	T-12	4,212.00
Treasurers Trust	T-13	7,865.69
Recreation Trust	T-14	2,315.00
Senior Citizen Trust	T-16	0.00
Total All Funds:		\$2,005,312.45

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

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Borough Attorney Paul Rizzo – reported progress.

Administrator Cullen – was absent this evening.

Engineer Miller – noted this evening’s bond ordinances for sewer and road work and said that we will begin to start on the new projects soon.

Clerk Antonides – reported progress.

Councilman Smith – wished everyone a happy holiday season and said he is looking forward to the holiday tree lighting then went on to report progress.

Councilman Wolak – congratulated our newly appointed Junior Firefighter Rachel Muller and then went on to report progress.

Councilwoman Mott – reported progress.

Councilman Bengivenga – wished Councilman Smith a happy birthday that was yesterday and congratulated him on the new addition to his family. This year we have had a record number of grants come in – over \$1.5 million was awarded which is an exception compared to prior years. Thanks to the hard work of Len Miller and our consulting engineers as well as the help of Senator Diegman, state legislators, Governor, our County, Mr. Cullen and Council President Faustini. Councilman Bengivenga said he’s happy to say we received a \$595,773.75 matching grant from the County to go towards the Putnam Park Rehabilitation Project, which is on tonight’s agenda. At the end of the day it will improve our town.

Council President Faustini – echoed Councilman Bengivenga’s appreciation to everyone for all their help with these grants. Registration for buddy ball basketball opened today. This winter we are trying something new by offering field hockey in-door clinics. There will be more information in the coming days on the Borough’s recreation website. To conclude, Council President Faustini reminded everyone about the Making Spirits Bright event this weekend. There will be a parade that begins at 5pm and will conclude with our tree lighting at Borough Hall. Luminary kits will be available for a \$15 donation.

Councilman White – clarified some rumors regarding the opening of LA Fitness advising that the opening has been delayed. Councilman White suggested they put a notice out to the residents of the Borough in this regard. Councilman White said the delay has nothing to do with our Building Department. In fact, our Building Department provided them with a TCO to open. This is a corporate decision, and that is all that is known at this time. On another note, Chic-fil-a has started today their 12 Days of Christmas event which are pictures with Santa and their Chic-fil-a cow. The cow is their mascot. It will go from today thru December 17th.

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.

Nancy Grennier asked if Chick-fil-a will have a real cow for the 12 days of Christmas pictures. Councilman White said no.

Debbie Boyle of Van Fleet wished Councilman Smith a happy birthday and said her thoughts and prayers are with Noah White on his recovery. Ms. Boyle concluded by reminding everyone of the gingerbread house event at the Pal this Thursday between 7 and 9 pm.

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, 7:18 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 Wolak made a motion to adjourn at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Councilman Bengivenga and unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC/CMR
Municipal Clerk

