

JANUARY 6, 2014

Meeting Called to Order

The Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury convened at 7:00PM.

Oath of Office for Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian

Mayor Burden administered the oath of office to Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian while her husband and two children held the bible.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 4(a) of C.231, P.L. 1975, the required 48 hour advance notice of this meeting was given by mailing/faxing a copy of the agenda to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times, in addition, to posting on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 3, 2014 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Burden, Councilwoman DerAsadourian, Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Dodge & Councilman Pellegrino
Also Present: *Attorney Martin Barger (Entered the meeting at 7:06 PM), Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman, Clerk Kathleen P. Krueger & Deputy Clerk Bonnie Brookes
Absent: Councilmen DeNofa and Meyer

Salute to the Flag

Shrewsbury Borough Boy Scout Troop #50 presented the colors and led the Salute to the Flag.

Mayor's Comments

The Mayor read a statement looking back on 2013 in review. He reflected on the different aspects of developments in town and community happenings that took place during the past year. He spoke about promotions and changes within the Borough structure of the Police Department and Administrative staff, as well as, the losses experienced within the community of Shrewsbury. Mayor Burden reflected on the Council challenges that were faced and he thanked the members of Council and welcomed our newest Council member, Deidre DerAsadourian, as well as, recognized former Council member Thomas Menapace for his years of service. He concluded by thanking all the Fire and First Aid members and all the community volunteers who have served on the Borough boards, committees and commissions. (Mayor's comments attached.)

Election of the Council President

Councilman DeSalvo moved to appoint Councilman Dodge as Council President, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2014-01 (Establishing time & place of the meetings of the Mayor & Council)

Resolution #2014-02 (Appointment of Council Committees and Liaisons, and Procedures for Payment of Claims)

Resolution #2014-03 (Designating Official Newspapers)

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Resolution #2014-04 (Designating 2013 Borough Holidays)

Resolution #2014-06 (Authorize deposit of Borough idle funds in designated depository)

Resolution #2014-07 (Establishing a grace period & interest rates)

Mayor Burden stated that in the interest of time he would like to move through the Resolutions using consent agenda format if the Council agreed. Councilman Pellegrino motioned to move Resolution #2014-01 through Resolution #2014-07 with the exception of Resolution #2014-05 which required further discussion, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote.

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2014-05 (Designating Official Depositories of Borough Funds)

Councilman Pellegrino amended Resolution #2014-05 stating that Sovereign Bank is currently under the name of Santander Bank and motioned to approve Resolution #2014-05, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2013-08 (Temporary Budget)

Mr. Seaman explained the Temporary budget process.

Councilman Pellegrino motioned to approve Resolution #2014-08, seconded by Councilman Dodge, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2014-09 (Authorize payment of certain bills prior to approval of bills list)

Councilman Pellegrino motioned to approve Resolution #2014-09, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2014-10 (Various Professional Services)

Mr. Seaman explained that this summarizes all our professionals who are awarded contracts under non-fair and open contract for professional services for the Borough.

Councilman Pellegrino motioned to approve Resolution #2014-10, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

Resolution #2014-11 (Appoint M.C. Community Development Representatives)

Councilman Pellegrino motioned to approve Resolution #2014-11, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino
NAYS: None

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Resolution #2014-12 (Appoint MEL-JIF Representatives)

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to approve Resolution #2014-12, seconded by Councilman Dodge, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino

NAYS: None

Mayoral Appointments of Borough Officials with Advice & Consent of Council

The Mayor stated that he agreed to be the liaison to the Environmental Commission in place of Councilwoman DerAsadourian.

Councilman Dodge moved to approve the Mayoral Appointments as amended, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino

NAYS: None

Mayoral Appointments to Boards, Committees, & Commissions

Mayor Burden thanked all the volunteers for their time and effort.

Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions with Advice & Consent of Council

Councilman DeSalvo moved to approve the appointments, seconded by Councilman Dodge, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino

NAYS: None

The Mayor stated that it was a pleasure to touch base with these individuals, and almost without exception, everyone agreed to serve again. He noted that there is room in the talent pool for more volunteers but we are fortunate to have additional individuals in that pool when needed.

Oaths of Office

Mayor Burden stated that as there was no one present to be sworn in that the Reorganization Meeting for 2014 for the Borough could now conclude.

Adjourn to Regular Public Meeting

Councilman DeSalvo moved to adjourn the Reorganizational Meeting at 7:22 PM, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Dodge & Pellegrino

NAYS: None

Attest: _____
Kathleen P. Krueger, RMC – Municipal Clerk

Approve: _____
Donald Burden, Mayor