

October 6, 2014

Meeting Called to Order

The public meeting convened at 7:12 PM.

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 October 3, 2014 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Burden, Councilman DeNofa, Councilman DeSalvo & Councilman Dodge
Also Present: Borough Attorney Martin Barger, Borough Administrator Thomas X. Seaman, Clerk Kathleen P. Krueger & Deputy Clerk Bonnie Brookes
Absent: Councilwoman DerAsadourian, Councilman Meyer & Councilman Pellegrino.

Salute to Flag

Led by Mayor Burden

Moment of Silence

The Mayor asked everyone to observe a moment of silence out of respect for Michael Bell and Jack Connors who recently passed away and who had served the Borough very well in multiple capacities for many, many years.

Approval of Minutes: Public Hearing for Improvements to Manson Field: September 15, 2014

Councilman DeNofa motioned to approve the minutes for the September 15th Public Hearing, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeSalvo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: DeNofa & Dodge

Approval of Minutes: Borough Council Meeting September 15, 2014

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to approve the minutes of September 15th 2014, seconded by Councilman DeNofa, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeSalvo
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: DeNofa & Dodge

Approval of Annual Boy Scout Flag Retirement/Camp Fire - Memorial/Gopher Field, October 18, 2014, 7pm – 9pm

Approval of Block Party at Heritage Greens on Saturday, October 11, 2014, 3pm – 10pm

Resolution #2014-64 (Authorize Shared Service Agreements for Fire Protection Services and Website Maintenance Services with Shrewsbury Township)

Resolution #2014-65 (Approve Retirement Benefits of Susan Windsor)

Resolution #2014-66 (Hire Part Time Fill-In Dispatcher: Michael G. Hockin)

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Councilman DeNofa motioned to approve the Annual Boy Scout Flag Retirement/Camp Fire, Block Party, and Resolutions #2014-64, 65 & 66 as consent agenda, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Discussion of Best Practices Worksheet

Mr. Seaman reviewed the results of the Best Practices checklist as required to be completed by the Office of the Comptroller. He explained that the Borough scored a 90%. Mr. Seaman reviewed the checklist for the Council and the areas that the Borough didn't score points and the reasons for each. The Council discussed "Pay to Play", longevity, P-cards and whether it makes sense to incorporate these for Shrewsbury Borough. Mr. Seaman stated that the Borough's state aid will not be affected because our score was good.

ORDINANCE NO. 1008 – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of a Generator for the Shrewsbury Municipal Building and Appropriating \$100,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$95,000 in Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to carry the public hearing and possible adoption of Bond Ordinance No. 1008 to the meeting of October 20th due to the lack of quorum, seconded by Councilman DeNofa and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

ORDINANCE NO. 1009 - INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING: An Ordinance to Amend and Supplement Chapter 94, Land Use and Development Regulations, of the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury, Amending Section 94-10.15 'PSC-3 Zone'

Mayor Burden stated that the public hearing on this ordinance would be held on November 3rd, 2014. Councilman Dodge motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 1009, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Administrator's Report

Mr. Seaman reported that the Borough received \$4,534.35 from GovDeals for the old tractor and wood chipper these were sold at auction and the monies will go into our miscellaneous revenue account. He also stated that the State approved our 'Dedication by Rider' for Community Day which allows us to establish a trust account for any donations going forward. Mr. Seaman stated that the 2015 NJDOT Local Aid Grant applications are due on October 14th 2014 and the Engineer would like to apply for a grant for Avenue of the Commons, which he believes is a good fit. Mr. Seaman requested that the Council authorize the Engineer to move forward on this grant application.

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Councilman DeNofa motioned to authorize the Borough Engineer to apply for a grant for the Avenue of the Commons, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: *DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge*

NAYS: *None*

ABSTAIN: *None*

Mr. Seaman stated that the Mayor had forwarded a brochure from the League of Municipalities that gave an overview about property taxes, which he found informative, and decided he would put on the Borough website for Borough residents. He also pointed out that it is the open enrollment period for insurance and that Borough employees are free to make changes for the month of October.

Reports of Council

Councilman DeNofa reported that the drainage work on Patterson Avenue is progressing and pipe installation and curbing will be complete within the next couple of weeks. He informed the Council that DPW acquired a dump truck and trailer free through the LESO government program. Mr. DeNofa stated that brush pickup will continue through October 31st and leaf pickup has begun. He reported that flower pots were damaged by a prisoner who was released and is being handled by the Police Department. Mr. DeNofa reported on the Dunkin Donuts application and that the Master Plan in being introduced at the Planning Board meeting in two weeks and is on schedule to be adopted this year.

Councilman DeSalvo acknowledged the recent losses to the First Aid Squad. He reported that the Community Alliance was in the midst of their Red Ribbon and anti-bullying campaign's activities. He relayed their request for small lawn signage to the Council.

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to allow small lawn signs for Red Ribbon Week be displayed this week in the Borough, seconded by Councilman DeNofa, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: *DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge*

NAYS: *None*

ABSTAIN: *None*

Councilman Dodge clarified information on the Resolutions previously approved in the meeting for Susan Windsor's retirement benefits and the hiring of a part time fill-in dispatcher.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Burden reported that the Chair for the Environmental Commission, Jill Gwydir, was stepping down to take a little break from those duties but plans to remain on the Commission. He stated that he met with Tom Menapace who has agreed to be our Borough representative to the Monmouth County Safe Bike Route Initiative. The Mayor reported on his attendance at Ryers' Touch a Truck, multiple ribbon cuttings, officiating at weddings, and Oktoberfest. He reported on meetings he attended that included the Planning Board, Two River Council of Mayors, Shared Services in Freehold, Railroad Crossing Engineering meeting, Master Plan Reexamination meeting, and the Shrewsbury Community Day Logistics meeting.

Correspondence

Municipal Clerk Krueger had nothing additional to report.

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Open the Meeting to the Public

Councilman Dodge motioned to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo and approved by all Council Present.

Marjorie Clark, 213 Garden Road, Shrewsbury stated that in the past when the railroad grading was being redone there was signage that was put out, particularly at the Little Silver Railroad Crossing. She questioned if there was any signage that would be put up to advise people about the closings or detour. Mr. Seaman responded that signage was scheduled to be put up around the Americana Diner and in Red Bank. Deputy Brookes responded that currently there are signs up and she pointed out there is one by Fort Monmouth and a large sign in Red Bank at the railroad crossing. Ms. Clark stated she was happy to hear it as she felt it was important to inform effected people. Councilman Dodge pointed out that they should have signage for the eastbound traffic on Newman Springs Road as many people make a left there coming off the parkway. The Mayor requested that the Borough Administrator check with Red Bank to see exactly what signage would be used.

Close the Meeting to the Public

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeNofa with all members present voting yes.

Payment of the Bills

Councilman Dodge motioned to approve the bills list in the amount of \$1,168,724.84, seconded by Councilman DeNofa and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeNofa, DeSalvo & Dodge
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

The Mayor made the request to Council before adjourning to approve moving the meeting time from 7:00pm to an earlier time for the Council meeting of November 3, 2014 due to the preparation required for the General Election on November 4th. After discussion, the Council agreed that 5:00pm would be an agreeable time for that Council meeting.

Adjourn

Councilman Dodge motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:52 PM, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

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

Approve: _____
Mayor Donald Burden