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Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 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 September 16, 2016 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Burden, Councilmembers Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran

Also Present: Administrator Thomas Seaman & Municipal Clerk Kathleen P. Krueger

Absent: Attorney Martin Barger*

Salute to Flag

Led by Mayor Burden.

Approval of Minutes: Council Meeting – September 6, 2016

Councilman Moran asked that a correction be made on page 95. Mr. Neis and Mr. Wentway were the ones who interviewed Mr. Story. Councilman Anderson motioned to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy & Meyer

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Moran

Proclamation in Recognition of Shrewsbury Garden Club's 60th Anniversary

Mayor Burden read the proclamation into the record.

Consent Agenda:

Resolution #2016-77 (Grant Application to NJ DCA for Non-Federal Cost Share Program)

Resolution #2016-78 (Award Bid for Road Program)

Resolution #2016-79 (Reject Performance Guaranty Release for The Ivy)

Request to Waive Municipal Raffle Fee for the Shrewsbury Hose Co. Comedy Night

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Councilman Moran provided the Council with information regarding the road project and stated that he would follow up on the resident notification that would accompany the work.

ORDINANCE NO. 1031 - INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING: Ordinance to Amend the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury by Amending Chapter 170, Parks and Recreation Facilities

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Councilman Meyer explained that this ordinance would remove the fee associated with resident tennis badges. Councilman Meyer motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 1031, seconded by Councilwoman DerAsadourian, and approved by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Burden stated that the public hearing would be held on October 3rd 2016.

Administrator Report

Mr. Seaman thanked the administrative staff for running the office while he was on vacation.

Reports of Council

Councilman Anderson reported on the Red Bank Regional Board of Education Meeting and noted that he met the new superintendent who would like the opportunity to meet with the Council. He stated that the First Aid and Fire Department participated in the SYAA Soccer 'Opening Day' event and noted that the Hose Company is still looking into getting needed repairs to the ladder truck.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian reported that the Sickles basketball court was complete and the Manson Park courts would be completed soon. She inquired when DPW would be starting work on the bocce courts and Councilman Moran informed the Council the courts would cost more than originally expected. Councilwoman DerAsadourian stated that \$1,500 is what it should cost and she would seek quotes. Councilman Moran noted that The Enclave has a wonderful bocce court and that the Borough could ask them to use theirs. Ms. DerAsadourian reported that Manson Park was open, however, that there was a situation with the baseball field and the soccer goals and she pointed out that SYAA had someone in attendance at the meeting so they would discuss that in the Public Session portion of the meeting.

Councilman DeSalvo reported that the Community Alliance is planning their Red Ribbon Week celebration.

Councilman Eddy had nothing to report.

Councilman Meyer reported that in light of events of the weekend in Seaside the school grounds were swept by bomb sniffing dogs from Neptune prior to SYAA's 'Opening Day' event. He noted that the police department will be meeting with other emergency services to outline a plan for 5K security. Councilman Meyer stated that they are still in negotiations with Oceanport over the court usage.

Councilman Moran reported on the communication plan for any council requests involving DPW. He commented on leaf collection, metal collection, and the restriping of the tennis courts to include pickle ball in 2017. Councilman Moran noted that DPW would be collecting brush and leaves on Obre Place more frequently to aid in the school traffic.

**Attorney Barger entered the meeting at 7:18 PM*

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Councilman Moran noted that he spoke to Georgia Golf concerning Manson Park and that they would check out the fields, do any remedial work, and train DPW on maintenance. He also noted that DPW would be looking into proper equipment to rake the fields weekly. Councilman Moran also updated the Council on the status of the Packard truck on order.

Councilman Meyer questioned why the quote from Becker Tree Service to trim the trees at Manson Park for \$1,600 wasn't considered at the same time as the Park Avenue trimming. Councilman Anderson explained that there are still some questions concerning Manson Park and Park Avenue trimming including if DPW or open space would have that responsibility or what account to use for it. He noted that they wanted to get the Park Avenue project moving. The Council discussed the tree trimming at Manson Park and the budgeting for each.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Burden reported that he had a meeting with Jennifer Beck to discuss Route 35 and her school initiatives. He noted the other local meetings and events he attended over the past two weeks.

Correspondence

Ms. Krueger reminded the Council that they needed to notify her if they are planning on attending the NJ League of Municipalities Convention.

Resolution #2016-79 (Reject Performance Guaranty Release for The Ivy)

Attorney Barger expressed some concerns over Resolution #2016-79 and noted that he has spoken to The Ivy's Attorney, Mr. Smith, who requested this be tabled to provide them time to speak to the Borough Engineer. *Councilman Meyer motioned to remove Resolution #2016-79 from the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:*

AYES: Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Councilman Meyer motioned to table Resolution #2016-79, seconded by Councilman Anderson, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: None

Open the Meeting to the Public

Councilman Meyer motioned to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Keith McGee, 103 East End Avenue, Shrewsbury stated that he was there as both a coach and resident. He also stated that he did not request incremental funding at the last meeting as indicated in the minutes but rather a more efficient funding. Mr. McGee stated that he is a member of the SYAA and they are willing to buy the Borough the portable goals that are common in many local towns. He stated that we have a field ready to use which is off limits requiring the children to go to other towns for practice. He added that it is a busy weekend coming up and asked if the Borough could get creative to open the baseball field up after soccer is done at 10:30am. Mr. McGee stated that he is willing to pay a contractor to properly move the

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goal post to allow for the baseball field to be open. Councilman Meyer inquired what the rush was to open the field. He acknowledged that the field is ready but there are some issues that they are looking to correct prior to opening.

Mr. McGee stated that he is really bothered by paying so much in taxes and angers people in town when they feel their tax money is being wasted. He cited the sprinkler issue at Sickles Park ballfield and two inches of clay were washed away and still not replaced. Mr. McGee admitted that if the Council opens, or keeps the field closed, they will receive backlash. Councilman Meyer explained that it is very difficult to balance various sports and they also hear from soccer parents. Councilman DeSalvo informed the public how difficult moving the goal is and the damage that could be done to the goal if moved improperly. Councilman Meyer stated that it is a tough call and that the Council is doing the best they can. He added that what Mr. McGee said last year is sticking with him; that they are just baseball fields and that it would be great if they could sit over the winter.

Mr. McGee commented that Mike at Shrewsbury Borough School spent countless hours weeding the field over at the school recently. Councilman DeSalvo stated that the Council is willing to open the field earlier if an acceptable goal is purchased. The Council asked if the Patterson Avenue field would be acceptable for play. Mr. McGee informed the Council that after all the foul balls they had at the last game, many cars would be damaged if they used that field. Councilwoman DerAsadourian said that she would send Mr. McGee the safety standards for portable soccer goals which Mr. McGee confirmed that he already had a copy.

Council discussed how travel teams let DPW know there are games scheduled. Councilman DeSalvo explained that the field scheduler updates DPW twice a week. Councilman DeSalvo stated that the Council could see what could be done about the weeds on the far Patterson Park field prior to Saturday to allow them to use the field.

Councilman Meyer commented that they had a nice turn out at 'Opening Day' and Mr. McGee stated that they had a low turnout. Some members of the Council commented that they were not aware of the event. Mr. McGee stated that a notice went out through Recreation and it was posted on the Borough school's website. The Council noted that if they knew about SYAA events they would attend and help spread the word.

Close the Meeting to the Public

Councilman Anderson motioned to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Payment of Bills

Councilman Eddy reviewed the larger bills with the Council. Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the bills in the amount of \$157,581.79, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:

AYES:	Anderson, DerAsadourian, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

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Adjourn to Executive Session

Mayor Burden stated that the Council needed to enter into Executive Session. Councilman Meyer motioned to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Councilwoman DerAsadourian, and approved by all Councilmember present. The Council entered into Executive Session at 7:53 PM.

Public Meeting Reconvened

The public meeting reconvened at 8:24PM. The Council discussed using Code Red to send email notifications using the group settings to notify residents that the newsletter was available on the Borough website.

Adjourn

Councilman Meyer motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:26PM, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by all Councilmembers present.

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

Approve: _____
Mayor Donald Burden