

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 14, 2000

PRESENT: Mayor James W. Reedy, Richard R. Buchanan, Salvatore A. DiPaula, Jr., Michael W. Ridgely, Peter W. Schnabel and Eric W. Stoley

OTHERS

PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq.; James R. Holley, P.E.; Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeff Keating, Zoning Officer; Chris Santoro of the fire department; Joe Silbaugh; Gary LaBarre; Mike Wilhelm; interested citizens

The regular meeting of the Borough Council convened at 7:31 p.m. in the Borough Municipal Building, 35 W. Railroad Avenue with President Schnabel presiding.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Gary LaBarre of the radio club said the meter has been pulled from the old tower site. Shrewsbury Township is interested in placing a tower for their communications near the radio club's tower. The Borough also has problems with radio communications. M. Ridgely will work with Gary.

Chris Santoro was present regarding a resolution authorizing a company called F.I.R.E., Inc. to bill reimbursement costs against insurance policies. The resolution was not specific that the company would not bill homeowners. Council was reluctant to sign the resolution until this point was clarified. Atty. Rehmeyer was asked to work with Chris on this point.

Chris was asked if the fire department has a list of hazardous materials stored in town. He will check with the chief.

Chris was asked about a recent accident where materials were placed on the roadway to absorb a spill and then left on the roadway. Brian was asked to arrange with Glen Rock or New Freedom Boroughs for the use of their street brooms for such cases.

Mike Wilhelm questioned why the Borough does not make the headlines in the papers. The pavilion fire was not in until a month and a half later. Mike also questioned why the Borough does not have restrictions on when trucks with high loads can pass through town. He gave Buck a paper from PADOT.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

E. Stoley moved to approve the minutes of the May 10 meeting.
S. DiPaula seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTS

M. Ridgely moved to approve the expenditures and report of accounts for April and May.

R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor. Michael will call Velda about an earned income tax line.

BILLS

- Velda Nickell for bookkeeping services for May 16.5 hrs \$330.00
- Countess Gilbert Andrews invoice for Joe Reuter \$367.00
- James R. Holley & Assoc. North end pumping station \$284.13; streets 2000 \$532.59; wellhead protection \$72.87; reservoir rehabilitation \$2,323.43; general engineering \$648.77
- York County SPCA 4 stray cats Jan. 4 – Mar. 21 \$60.00
- Harry L. McNeal, Jr., Esq. for Silbaugh and Golliday zoning hearings \$2,070.00

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

The Township submitted a copy of the final subdivision plan for Presidential Heights plan for cursory review by our Planning Commission.

REPORTS

Zoning Officer – Jeff Keating

Jeff's report for May is on file. He reported work will begin soon on the Market Square shopping center. Jeff said he will send a letter to the owner of the Prop's food stand at the Case and Keg; it appears it will not be re-opening.

Water & Sewer – Richard R. Buchanan

- Consumer Confidence Report

The report was mailed on June 12.

- Woodland Water Storage Tank

The tank is back in service after being repaired and cleaned. The bill was \$1,334.00. The outside of the tank needs some rust prevention work at a cost of about \$500.00.

- Thompson Well

The pump at the well had to be replaced and the lowest quote was \$5,000.00 from Kohl Brothers in Harrisburg. The amount of water being pumped from the well should increase as a result of the new pump.

- Jet Vac – Sewer Lines

Jet Vac has televised sewer lines in Southern Farms to help identify any problems with the lines before the Township begins next year's scheduled paving project.

- Wellhead Protection Plan

Buck reported the Council should have something to review within the next two months. The third meeting was held this afternoon.

Public Roads & Lighting – Brian L. Sweitzer

- Northbrook Lane

Brian said the residents complain about the speed, time and amount of truck traffic on their street. They would like to see signs restricting trucks to local deliveries only.

Council was reluctant to restrict the truck traffic since one side of the street is zoned Industrial and how can you define local delivery. The speed can be enforced. The streetlights should be lit within two days.

- Kreeger Alley

The best way to pave this alley would be to mill it before paving. Brian said he has gotten criticism for spending money to upgrade this more or less “private” alley. There are only 11 feet between the homes and it is difficult to plow plus a large Maple tree limb will have to be removed for the trucks to pass under. There is a situation where a neighbor to the North has a right of way to enter between the garages to get to his property.

Atty. Rehmeier was asked to investigate abandonment proceedings.

- Stormwater Management Plan

Brian attended a workshop put on by the York County Planning Commission on storm water management plans. The Planning Commission will be reworking the plans and the major problem is the overall plan of drainage basins is not clear as to what subdivision is involved; it’s difficult to delineate.

- Sycamore Trees on Main St.

The Secretary stated two property owners on S. Main Street contacted several tree companies and were told they would not trim the trees overhanging Main Street because of traffic control. The citizens asked if Council would write a letter to PADOT asking for assistance.

It was discussed that several property owners had trees removed by private companies on Main Street and they had no problem with traffic control.

Public Lands, Buildings and Finance – Michael W. Ridgely

- Soccer Field

Michael said he will set up a date to go see the soccer field with Brian.

- Building Renovations

The Committee is meeting every three weeks and the goal is to award the bids in September or October with work to begin the middle of January.

Engineer's Report

- Proposal for Well Siting

Geological Services, Inc. submitted a proposal dated May 8 in the amount of \$3,790.00 for work for basin analysis, production capacity and potential hydrologic impact screening, well siting and reporting.

E. Stoley moved to approve the proposal in the amount of \$3,790.00.

R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

- Street Bids

Bids will be awarded next month.

- Street Lights – Covington Ridge

Council would like to see the lights placed closer with a little brighter illumination.

- Main Street Repaving

Jim said PADOT questioned how curbing will be handled in the areas where because of the steepness of the shoulder the existing curbing will not be seen. This paving job will not be done now until next year. We will need to notify the property owners along South Main Street as to what will be happening with their curbing.

- Garage Renovations

Jim presented the garage renovation drawings. The cost for expansion will be between \$135,000 – 150,000.

- Presidential Heights Phase II

The Secretary was directed to prepare a letter stating there is adequate sewer capacity in Shrewsbury Township's share to serve this phase.

- Betty Grove Subdivision – W. Clearview Dr.

Jim asked if Council would consider a waiver for this minor subdivision to permit a 25' wide panhandle lot.

E. Stoley resolved it was the consensus of Council to grant a waiver.

R. Buchanan seconded. The resolution passed with all in favor.

Solicitor's Report

- Silbaugh Water Agreement

Jeff said he sent the requirements of Council to Silbaugh's attorney, Jeff Lobach, for inclusion in the agreement.

- Regional Traffic Coalition

E. Stoley stated Stewartstown and New Freedom Boroughs, Hopewell and Shrewsbury Townships are interested in creating a Southern Regional Traffic Coalition in the hopes of correcting some of the problems at Exit 1.

E. Stoley resolved that Shrewsbury Borough participate in a regional traffic coalition through the SYC Regional Planning Commission and to participate in a regional traffic study.

R. Buchanan seconded. The resolution passed with all in favor.

The next joint meeting to discuss Exit 1 problems will be on Saturday, July 22 at 8:00 a.m.

An executive session was held beginning at 10:05 p.m. to discuss some litigation issues. The session ended at 10:18 p.m.

Public Safety, Welfare and Personnel – Salvatore A. DiPaula, Jr.

- Groundhog Infestation

A resident requested the Borough to pay for trapping and removal of a lot of groundhogs in the area of 302 North Main Street behind the Borough's water tank.

Council felt it was not the responsibility of the Borough to pay for removal of groundhogs.

- Water License

Brian reported Dale Bosley took the water license test six weeks ago and has not heard received any correspondence which is a good indication he passed.

R. Buchanan moved to approve a 75 cent increase per hour when notification is received.

S. DiPaula seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Secretary's Report – Cindy L. Bosley

York Area Earned Income Tax

Recreation Board – Eric W. Stoley

Eric stated Dave Mixon asked if the Borough was interested in filing a claim against the York Area Earned Income Tax Bureau for refusing to release resident's names and addresses.

The answer was no.

- Joint Recreation Meeting

There will be a joint meeting here tomorrow evening to discuss regional recreation. Shrewsbury Township will be represented.

The first concert was held which was well-attended.

Regional Planning Commission

- Regional Comprehensive Plan

E. Stoley moved to adopt Resolution #2000-2 adopting the regional comprehensive plan contingent on any minor changes or corrections being made.

R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Southern Regional Police – Richard R. Buchanan

Buck highlighted the report for May. The two new hires are in training which will be finished in mid August. Buck reviewed a proposal he made to Shrewsbury Township for police services. M. Ridgely asked if Buck considered capital value.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from the Penn-Mar Organization asking for contributions to help offset the operational needs of the Family Resource Center. This will be considered at budget time.

ADJOURNMENT

E. Stoley moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

S. DiPaula seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Submitted by,

Cindy L. Bosley
Secretary