

## MINUTES

## SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

SPECIAL YEAR-END MEETING

DECEMBER 26, 2012

PRESENT: Mayor Peter W. Schnabel, Richard R. Buchanan, Carl W. Munch,  
Michael W. Ridgely, Michael G. Sharkey, Eric W. Stoley, and  
Jason J. Traband

## OTHERS

PRESENT: Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Keith Wills

The special year-end meeting of the Borough Council convened at 7:02 p.m. in the Borough Municipal Building, 35 West Railroad Avenue, with President Ridgely presiding.

**YEAR-END BUSINESS**2013 Budget

C. Munch moved to adopt the 2013 budget as presented (version 6).  
E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Ordinance #2012-4 Establishing Rate of Tax on Real Estate at 1.7 mills for the Year 2013

E. Stoley moved to adopt ordinance #2012-4.  
R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Ordinance #2012-5 Re-enacts and Continues the Realty Transfer Tax and Earned Income Tax for the Year 2013

R. Buchanan moved to adopt ordinance #2012-5.  
J. Traband seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Resolution #2012-3 Establishing and Rate of Refuse Charge for 2013

C. Munch moved to adopt resolution #2012-3 setting the refuse rate at \$224.00 (no change) for 2013.  
R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Bonus Program**

E. Stoley moved that the bonus checks be issued the first pay in 2013.

J. Traband seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

### **Water and Sewer Committee Meeting**

Buck stated he corresponded with former engineer Holley to obtain some dates for a meeting of the Water and Sewer Committee with Phil Robinson, at his request. The meeting will be scheduled for January.

M. Sharkey arrived at 7:08 p.m.

### **430 South Main Street – John Seman**

Buck stated Mr. Seman wrote a letter asking for a further reduction in the amount he owes for having a two inch water line (done at his request) to the former Rehmeyer property at 430 South Main Street. Council had offered him a reduction last month of over \$4,000.00 and Mr. Seman is asking for another reduction of \$1,340.00, which is the cost of the two inch water meter. He stated he will use a three-quarter inch meter until he actually needs a larger meter and then he would pay for it at that time. B. Sweitzer stated the two inch meter was ordered and is in the shop. We will not use the meter and it can't be returned. Council felt the two inch line increases the value of the building and the offer discussed at the December 12, 2012, Council meeting stands. The Borough already subsidized some of the work to install the water line.

E. Stoley moved that the offer discussed at the December 12, 2012, Council meeting still stand.

J. Traband seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

### **15 Kratz Road**

Sol. Rehmeyer drafted a letter to be sent from the Borough that the existing sewer line on this property could be used for the water line to be placed above ground as part of the Blouse well pump test next spring.

E. Stoley moved that B. Sweitzer be authorized to sign the letter on behalf of the Borough.

M. Sharkey seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

#### Vehicles Parked Along the Street During Plowing

E. Stoley stated there were a lot of vehicles parked along the street during the last two snows. It was the consensus of Council that the autodialer be used prior to the next substantial snow event that is predicted to remind residents they need to remove their vehicles from the streets when a snow emergency is declared. This item was in the newsletter that went out in late November. B. Sweitzer is to notify the police if vehicles are parked along the street if a snow emergency is declared.

#### Valley View Grove HOA

Keith Wills stated he has been trying to contact the homeowners' association president in order to get him to sign the easement agreement required as part of the Blouse well pump test. The above-ground line will empty into the stream at the outfall of the detention pond. It will not empty into the detention pond.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

C. Munch moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m.

J. Traband seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Submitted by,  
Cindy L. Bosley, Secretary