

## MINUTES

### SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

#### OTHERS

PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq.; James R. Holley, P.E., Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Jeff Keating, Zoning Officer; Bailey Barnhart of PADOT; Chris Santoro, Pres. of the fire company; Gary LaBarre; other interested citizens

The regular meeting of the Borough Council convened at 7:30 p.m. in the Borough Municipal Building, 35 West Railroad Avenue with President Schnabel presiding.

#### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Bailey Barnhart of PADOT was present to discuss a dead Sycamore tree at 511 South Main Street. Mr. Barnhart indicated PADOT is only responsible for maintenance inside the curb line on a State-owned road. The tree is dead and liability lies with the property owner and the municipality. Mr. Barnhart said two years ago a crew was in town trimming the trees and someone from the Shade Tree Commission put a stop to the work and told them to never trim another tree in the Borough. Verification was not made through the Borough Office. Mr. Barnhart said since we agreed to participate in the Agility Program he offered to have the tree cut down in exchange for the Borough doing some work for PADOT. It was mentioned that two homeowners had previously removed their own Sycamore trees and that the Borough could set a precedent if it decided to go with the Agility Program exchange. Mr. Seiler of 511 South Main Street was given a name of a company who indicated to Brian they would remove the tree. The property owner agreed to take responsibility for the tree.

Council's position on tree removal and maintenance remains the same. The trees are the responsibility of the property owner.

M. Ridgely moved that a letter be sent to the Shade Tree Commission that they are not empowered to set a policy concerning the maintenance of trees in the Borough. R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

E. Stoley moved to approve the minutes of the July 12 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 July.  
E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **BILLS**

- James R. Holley & Assoc. general engineering \$1,203.45; streets \$409.90; reservoir rehabilitation \$2,000.79; grease traps \$327.15; design of north end pump station \$268.80;
- Murphy & Dittenhafer municipal building renovation \$1,517.34;
- Barton Associates maintenance building renovation \$741.75
- Harry L. McNeal, Jr., Esq. Wings zoning hearing \$207.00
- Countess Gilbert Andrews general account \$3,590.00; James Myers \$331.25; sewer account \$793.00; Fred B. Knott \$711.50; water account \$634.00;
- Velda Nickell bookkeeping services for July \$400.00

M. Ridgely moved to approve payment of the above bills.  
E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS**

Zoning Officer – Jeff Keating

Market Square renovations have begun. Case and Keg two principal uses question and the signs and lighting at the Unimart will both be before the Zoning Hearing Board. Jeff does not feel it is necessary to change the zoning ordinance pertaining to setbacks at this time since it did not pertain to 99% of the shed permit

applications. A response will be given to the applicant who questioned this recently.

## **Water & Sewer** – Richard R. Buchanan

### **Reservoir Rehabilitation**

The Public Works Department has installed a fire hydrant on S. Highland Dr. to drain both reservoirs when the rehabilitation work begins. During the project, some minor corrections have to be made to the reservoirs: vegetation removal, screens added to all the vents, new ladder rungs installed, new tank hatches and higher fencing will need to be installed.

J. Keating left the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

### **Bids for Reservoir Rehabilitation Work**

Seven bids were received:

S & T Painting, Inc. of Parkton, MD	\$60,200.00
Neil M. Derstine Co.	\$73,300.00
Corrosion Control Corp.	\$108,650.00
Postupak Painting Co., Inc.	\$148,216.00
Valley Painting, Inc.	\$175,744.00
I.K. Stoltzfus Service, Inc.	\$233,400.00
Paint City Contractors, Inc.	\$270,000.00

Jim's office contacted the lowest bidder and contacted four of the ten references and there were no negative comments. Inspectors will be called in to inspect the job before it is started and during the entire process.

M. Ridgley moved to award the bid to S & T Painting, Inc. in the amount of \$60,200.00.

E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

### **Backflow Preventor Program**

The Secretary was authorized to send the letter as presented in draft form at the meeting. There are about 65 homes left to complete.

## **Public Roads & Lighting**

### **Northbrook Lane Traffic Study**

The York County Planning Commission responded that we could restrict truck traffic except for local deliveries. Council was reluctant to do this since half of the road abuts industrial land. Buck reported the police department has done a good bit of speed enforcement on the street. M. Ridgely was authorized to send a letter to the milk transportation business on Plank Road informing them of Council's option to post the road and to ask for their cooperation in using Mt. Airy Road.

R. Buchanan moved to post two additional speed limit signs and to post two "caution children at play" signs on the west side of the street.

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

Sol. Rehmeyer was asked to look into an ordinance prohibiting jakebrakes and what it takes for enforcement.

## **Public Lands, Buildings and Finance** – Michael W. Ridgely

### **Municipal Building Renovations**

Michael asked for approval to seek bids for the work.

M. Ridgely moved to authorize Murphy & Dittenhafer to let the work out for bids to be opened at the September meeting.

E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

### **Comsite Request to Buy Tower Site on Woodland Dr.**

Sol. Rehmeyer said the representative from Comsite said the documents sent to us were sent by mistake. They will be sending a plot plan and more information.

### G.S Communications Request to Terminate Lease

This is for the site near our concrete water tanks that G.S. Communications had abandoned years ago but they were continuing to pay rent for use of the site by the local radio club.

The approval will be signed after Brian has removed the fence and planted grass seed.

### New Reunion Pavilion

Generic specifications will be prepared for a pole type building with T111 siding with a size of 30 x 100, larger than the original pavilion.

E. Stoley moved to authorize the procurement of bids for the 30 x 100 foot pavilion.

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

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

Personnel meetings will be held Thursday, August 17 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

### Engineer's Report – James R. Holley, P.E.

### Maintenance Building Renovations

Bids will be received on September 1 and will be presented at the next meeting. The boiler is old and not large enough to handle the expansion. Replacement will be about \$5,000.

### Northbrook Commerce Center – Letter of Credit

Jim said the letters may be reduced and a letter will be forthcoming.

### S. Main Street Repaving

Bailey Barnhart said the bids will be let in November of this year. The Borough has not received the plans yet, but residents in the 200 block from the top of the

hill down to about Silbaughs will need to decide if they want to replace their curbing since it will disappear when the street is repaved. Letters will be sent out closer to the time. PADOT will remove the old curbing and give the homeowner a price for replacement.

### Exit One

E. Stoley asked Mr. Barnhart to keep the Borough posted on any plans to improve Exit one.

### **Solicitor's Report** – Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq.

#### G.S. Communications sale to Adelpia

Jeff reviewed the documents and the sale should have no impact on customers. The current agreement with G.S. Communications expires in 2004. Council will invite a representative to attend a meeting to discuss: increases in insurance amounts; a list of complaints filed from Borough residents; increasing the number of channels offered; municipal access and what plans they have to increase the service to include internet access. E. Stoley will prepare a list.

#### Fred Knott Delinquent Sewer Rents

A lien was filed today including the third property owner. Jeff will need upfront money to give the Sheriff's Office which will be recovered when the home is sold.

E. Stoley moved to authorize the issuance of a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 for upfront Sheriff's Sale costs.

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

#### Vega 104 Westview Dr. Sheriff's Sale

Jeff submitted the Borough's mowing and attorney's fees invoices to the mortgage company and he expects payment very soon.

#### James Myers, 33 S. Main St.

Mr. Myers cannot be located in order to serve him with the paperwork for the hearing.

### Heyne's Refuse

Jeff will send a letter to Heyne's Refuse informing them of the complaint over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday about odors coming from his building. Jeff will also mark his files for next May and will send him a reminder letter about not storing trucks containing trash.

### Unimart

They will be filing an application with the Zoning Hearing Board on the lighting and amount of signs.

### Case and Keg

An enforcement notice was sent to the owner of Case and Keg and we believe they will be filing an application with the Zoning Hearing Board for two uses.

### **Secretary's Report** – Cindy L. Bosley

There will be an audit of the 1999 liquid fuels funds on August 28.

The office will be closed on Sept. 12 from 2:15 until after the hearing is over in the case of a bad check issued to the Borough.

### **York Area Earned Income Tax Bureau**

### **Recreation Board/Regional Recreation Board** – Eric W. Stoley

### Joint Meeting

The next joint meeting to discuss Regional Recreation will be here on August 29. Shrewsbury Township has asked what it would cost to rejoin during the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.

### Hopewell Township

Hopewell Township has expressed interest in joining the Regional Planning Commission later this year. The next joint transportation coalition meeting is this Saturday at 8 a.m.

### WaWa, Inc.

WaWa has filed another land development plan and Eric contacted the York County Planning Commission for copies of their past review comments for distribution.

### Vacancy on Planning Commission

E. Stoley moved to appoint Tad Kauffman to fill the unexpired term of Jan Allen. M. Ridgely seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

A letter will be sent to a member of the Planning Commission who does not attend meetings regularly.

### Regional Comprehensive Plan

New Freedom's information has been updated and Eric expects them to approve the plan.

### Impact Fees

Eric would like to see the Borough's support to help change the legislation to allow school districts to collect an impact fee from developers under certain criteria. Eric said Mike Waugh will support the change if it is tied in with capital improvements.

### **Southern Regional Police** – Richard R. Buchanan

Buck highlighted the report for July. He has begun work on the 2001 budget and the speed trailer has been delivered.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

P. Schnabel said a report from the Rose Fire Department Ambulance was received showing their service.

#### **2001 Budget**

M. Ridgely asked the Committees for financial input as he plans to begin the 2001 budget soon with committee meetings to be held in September.

#### **Executive Session**

A session was called at 10:23 p.m. to discuss possible litigation.  
The meeting was resumed at 11:04 p.m.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

M. Ridgely moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 p.m.  
E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Submitted by,

Cindy L. Bosley  
Secretary