

## MINUTES

### SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 8, 2003

PRESENT: Mayor James W. Reedy, Richard R. Buchanan, Salvatore A. DiPaula, Jr., Frederick C. Noble, 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; Gary LaBarre; Allen Smith; Frank Dittenhafer; Barb Krebs of The York Dispatch; Terri Reuter of The York Daily Record; Judy Shriver, Roger Cover; Mike Cadden; Ron Rohrbaugh; Mary Alt; Gregory Miller; Ed Ward; Susan Smith

The regular meeting of the Borough Council convened at 7:32 p.m. in the Borough Municipal Building, 35 West Railroad Avenue with President Schnabel presiding.

#### CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Mary Alt of Southern Community Services was present along with Greg Miller of the Pen-Mar Organization and Frank Dittenhafer, member of the board, to ask if the organization could utilize the building formerly used by the library on South Main Street. They would renovate and maintain the building per the Borough's approval. They would be receptive to a low rate lease or to purchase the property.

They were told that an appraisal is being done to obtain both a sale value and a rental value of the building and that after budget approval Council will decide what will be done with the building.

Ron Rohrbaugh of 125 Raypaula Drive was present to thank Council for the corrective work being done at 127 Raypaula Drive regarding the overgrown weeds and the stagnant pool and also the large number of unrelated people who were

living at the house. He urged Council to stay active with proper enforcement of the property and the allowed use.

Judy Shriver of 217 N. Main St. and Roger Cover of 216 N. Highland Dr. were present to ask if a subdivision would be allowed to decrease one property and increase another.

They were directed to seek the advice of an attorney regarding this and also there is an issue that the two properties have two different zoning classifications.

Gary LaBarre stated the drill on Saturday was a great learning experience. A white board is needed that will be kept closer to the radios. The Borough's EOC is about the best equipped EOC in the County. The equipment is left here and ready to go rather than relying on volunteers to gather their own equipment and set it up and hope it works in the event of an emergency. This center will save time. There was a problem with person to person communications and a repeater would help correct that problem. Also, it was recommended the Borough employees and elected officials should have uniform identification cards, two each. The EOC was open during the Isabel hurricane from around 1:00 a.m. Friday morning until about noon on Friday.

Mike Cadden of the Shrewsbury Vol. Fire Company thanked Council for the insight to have a state of the art EOC facility installed and that it worked very well during Saturday's drill.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

E. Stoley moved to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2003 meeting.  
M. Ridgely 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 August.  
R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **BILLS**

- James R. Holley & Associates sanitary sewer repairs 2003 \$635.50; Forest Lakes pump station \$492.89; general engineering \$1,698.37
- Kimberly M. Dettinger bookkeeping services for September \$210.00

E. Stoley moved to approve payment of the above invoices.

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

## **NEW REFUSE CONTRACT – DAY FOR BULKY TRASH PICK UP**

Ed Ward of Penn Waste was present to discuss which day the bulky trash item collection should be when the new contract starts on February 1, 2004. Penn Waste would prefer it to be on Friday since the Tuesday collection is the heaviest.

E. Stoley moved to authorize the bulky trash collection to take place on Fridays.

R. Buchanan and M. Ridgely seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

## **SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS**

Shrewsbury Commerce Park – Preliminary subdivision plan #2003-4 property located along Constitution Avenue

Allen Smith presented the plan to subdivide 28 acres into 13 lots. Lots one, two and three are in the Borough with the rest of the property being in Shrewsbury Township. In 1988, sewer capacity was purchased for land (48 acres) along Constitution Avenue (40 EDUs) and since then, ten acres were given to the YMCA and 20 acres is now owned by Shrewsbury Township. After 1988, additional land was purchased from the Miller farm. There are 32 EDUs left. Public water will be served to the lots in the Borough and individual wells will be drilled for the other lots. The Borough had asked its solicitor to check into PUC involvement should the Borough continue to provide water outside the Borough and we are at the point where we should not serve any more customers outside the Borough. Mr. Smith stated he asked Shrewsbury Township for three sewer EDUs to serve the Miller lots and was denied. After a review of the plan, it was decided that some lots would be reconfigured and Mr. Smith would return to the Council with a revised plan.

## **Zoning Officer/BOCA Inspector**

Jeff was asked to look into the “sandwich signs” that are appearing throughout the town. The owner of the trucks parked at the former Agway property has 30 days to have the trucks registered.

## **OTHER REPORTS**

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

#### Hurricane – Power Outages

Power was lost at various pump stations and the on-site generators ran from 30 minutes up to 18 hours depending on their location on the power grid. A power transfer switch was connected to the Woodlyn Well in order for the portable generator to be used to pump water. Because of the on-site generators, the Borough’s sewer system is in good shape in the event of power outages. The generator at the municipal building allowed the public works garage to function and the EOC was fully powered by the generator.

#### Forest Lakes Pump Station

This pump station was installed in 1972 and was designed to pump 500 gallons per minute and is only pumping about 300 gallons per minute. Under very wet conditions, the pump station has trouble keeping up. The pumps will be pulled to see what needs to be replaced.

#### Sewer Line Televising

Sewer lines are being televised this week for infiltration for next year’s maintenance. There is a major problem with the line on Kirschner Road as the pipe has deteriorated since this section was televised five years ago. It is now an emergency situation and at the October 22 meeting, a price will be approved for replacement of about 151 feet of pipe. A price will also be obtained for the 614 feet section.

#### York Water Customers

Of approximately 150 York Water customers, 45 could not be read this quarter as their outside remotes do not work. Of the 105 we could read, ten meters were changed during the quarter and the readings do not correspond. This is becoming more and more of a problem and it's taking too much of the Public Works and office staff's time.

Eng. Holley will write to the York Water Company to see if there is a better way to get the readings. If not, a flat rate for these customers will be considered.

### Water & Sewer Rate Increases

This will be discussed further at the October 22 budget meeting.

E. Stoley moved to authorize Solicitor Rehmeyer to proceed with the advertisement for ordinance adoption for the November meeting. Rates will be decided at the October 22 meeting.

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

### Public Roads & Lighting

#### Truck Parking on Residential Streets

The traffic study request was amended to include other residential streets.

#### Ordinance to Adopt Streets in Phase I of Covington Ridge

E. Stoley moved to adopt a Glenhurst Road, Berkshire Drive and a portion of Cassidy Way.

S. DiPaula and F. Noble seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

### Public Lands & Buildings and Finance – Michael W. Ridgely

#### Graleski Property

Council authorized M. Ridgely to make an offer for purchase of the property.

#### Budget Meeting

The next meeting is October 22 at 7:00 p.m.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT**

### Intersection at new Shopping Center across from Cardinal Drive

Eng. Holley stated he has not met an oncoming vehicle to witness the problem at this intersection. He has not received a response to his letter from PennDOT.

### West Forrest Avenue Left Turn Lane at Square

Because motorists are making two lanes eastbound, Eng. Holley was asked to write to the traffic engineer to see if a left-turn lane eastbound on West Forrest Avenue is feasible.

### Valley View Grove

Eng. Holley said he was contacted by the developer that they would like to regrade the northern half of the development.

## **SOLICITOR'S REPORT**

### Nuisance Ordinance

A revision was submitted for review and the ordinance will be adopted next month.

### Jacobson – 8 Spring Creek Drive

Council authorized Solicitor Rehmeyer to send a letter to the zoning hearing board giving the Borough's opinion.

### Amendment to Swimming Pool Section of the Zoning Ordinance

E. Stoley moved to authorize Sol. Rehmeyer to submit the proposed amendment to the York County Planning Commission for comments.

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

### Grim's Glass – 21 Hill Street

Council is not interested in meeting with Mr. Miller and his attorney regarding the ordinance violations. Also, the trucks are still being parked on the street and the fence height needs to be lowered. Sol. Rehmeyer continues to work on the on-street truck parking through Mr. Miller's attorney.

### Freedom Systems

No response has been received from Sol. Rehmeyer's letter of July 25.

### Adelphia Cable

A letter will be sent to Adelphia with concerns about the general quality of Adelphia. Sol. Rehmeyer will also request a meeting to discuss the issues and to talk about contract renewal.

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

#### Office Assistant

An office assistant will be hired next year for no more than 12 hours a week to help with phones and walk-ins.

#### Hemler, ACS Contract

The 2004 contract was approved; however, Council would like the police department to handle the barking dog complaints.

E. Stoley moved to approve the Hemler contract and that the police department handle all barking dog complaints.

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

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

#### Annual York County Boroughs Assn. Meeting

The annual meeting will be November 1.

### Workshops

The secretary will be attending two half day workshops tomorrow on filing DCED and liquid fuels annual reports electronically.

### Liquid Fuels Audit

A liquid fuels audit for years 2001 and 2002 is scheduled for October 29.

### Donation to Fire Company for Luncheon

Council authorized the Secretary to send a donation to the fire company in the amount of \$250.00 for the luncheon served the day of the emergency drill.

### York Area Tax Bureau – Frederick C. Noble

### Recreation Board/Regional Recreation – Frederick C. Noble

A letter was received from New Freedom Borough's solicitor stating they are out of the SRRB for 2004.

The regional recreation board will respond.

The SRRB will be changing its name next year and each program must be self sustaining. The next joint meeting is October 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Shrewsbury Township building. Codorus Township and the school district will be invited to attend.

### Planning Commission/Regional Planning Commission – Eric W. Stoley

### Southern Regional Police – Richard R. Buchanan

The report for September was reviewed. The contract negotiations will be going to arbitration.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS



Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement Emergency Services

This will be discussed next month due to the lateness of the hour.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

A letter was received from Unison Site Management inquiring if the Borough is interested in selling the Woodland Drive site easement.

The Borough is not interested.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:23 p.m.

Submitted by,

Cindy L. Bosley, Secretary