

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

DECEMBER 10, 2003

PRESENT: Mayor James W. Reedy; Richard R. Buchanan; Salvatore A. DiPaula, Jr.; Frederick C. Noble; Michael W. Ridgely, Peter W. Schnabel; and Christopher M. Skoglund

OTHERS

PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq.; James R. Holley, P.E.; Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; Phil Robinson; Gary LaBarre; Judi Hooper; Susan Smith; Barb Krebs of The York Dispatch; Terri Reuter of The York Daily Record;

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

Judi Hooper of the Southern York County Library thanked Council for the support and encouragement and the office with help on the grant.

Gary LaBarre stated the last items for the EOC have been ordered, lightning arrestors and Cindy ordered the white board and then the EOC should be completed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

F. Noble moved to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2003 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 October.
R. Buchanan seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

BILLS

- Kimberly Dettinger bookkeeping services for 11/9 – 12/7 20.5 hours \$410.00
- James R. Holley & Associates general engineering \$786.62; emergency sewer repair Kirschner Rd. \$1,201.64; streets 2004 budget cost \$408.00; sanitary sewer repairs 2003 \$2,748.23; Forest Lakes, sewer budget cost sharing \$916.00; new wells and meeting pipe deposit, water meter reading \$1,084.65

C. Skoglund moved to approve payment of the above invoices.

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

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

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

The plan was revised to allow for new lot configurations to allow public sewer for the property under the original reservation. Thirty-two (32) sewer EDUs remain of the original forty (40). The development will be served with public water with a bulk water meter. Council would like to see a stipulation noted on the plan that no wells can be drilled and that the bulk water connection is to serve the lots in this development only, that no extensions can be made to serve water outside this development.

M. Ridgely moved to grant preliminary approval of the plan subject to research and approval by Sol. Rehmeyer that a stipulation be added to the plan that no wells can be drilled and that no water be extended outside this development; the water use should be less than the sewer EDUs

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

Zoning Officer/BOCA Inspector

OTHER REPORTS

Water & Sewer – Richard R. Buchanan

Pumphouse Wells

The permitting is on hold after DEP decided they needed more time to review the springflow and a new engineer has been hired by DEP who wants to review the project. DEP also wants to review the 1946 permit for the 105,000 GPD for the springs. The Susquehanna River Basin Commission will approve the wells at 72,000 GPD which is short of our 93,700 GPD request. Spring 3 is producing 20,000 GPD. The permit would require the Borough to monitor the stream flow and not allow the stream to drop to less than 45 gallons per minute. If the stream flow would drop below 45 gallons per minute, we'd have to reduce the wells' pumping amounts. We will monitor the stream flow to see if we can increase the wells' permitted capacity. The study would prove to the SRBC that the stream flow is adequate and the wells should be allowed to obtain the production goal of 93,700 GPD. R. Buchanan is trying to set up a meeting with the DEP and the SRBC to try to get these issues resolved. The additional testing requested by DEP will cost Tom Simmons, the developer, possibly another \$60,000.00. It was the consensus of Council to not drop spring 3 and to insist on a joint meeting with DEP, SRBC, Paul Miller, the respective attorneys and engineers and elected representatives.

Water & Sewer Rates

The ordinances will be adopted at the December 17 meeting after the rate calculation method is clarified.

Kirschner Rd. Sewer Repairs

Last month, one sewer repair was approved in the amount of \$33,870.00. The two additional repairs will cost approximately \$22,000. These repairs will probably have to be done next year because of the weather.

Touch Read Unit

Another touch read unit will have to be purchased at a price of \$16,000.00.

Radio Read Meters

To upgrade the existing meters to be able to read them from a transmitter will cost an additional \$130.00 per meter for a total cost of \$285.00 per new customer. All new customers will have the new meters in 2004. The new meters will slowly be

phased in for current customers starting with meter pits and hard-to-read customers. The reading time will be cut from one week to four hours.

Greasetraps

All greasetraps connected to the sewer system were inspected and there were three restaurants that did not cooperate. B. Sweitzer will contact the property owners.

Public Roads & Lighting – Christopher M. Skoglund

Storm Drains

B. Sweitzer is checking with New Freedom to use their vector truck with the work being done next year.

Public Lands & Buildings and Finance – Michael W. Ridgely

Offer on Land Purchase

The offer for the land purchase will go out in tomorrow's mail.

Year-end Meeting

M. Ridgely stated he will not be at the December 17 meeting, but the final budget is ready for adoption.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Exit 4 Upgrade

Eng. Holley attended a meeting on the proposed upgrade for exit 4. The proposal is for a northbound I-83 exit ramp to be relocated just west of the True Value on Route 851 at Wolfe Road. Beside this ramp will be a northbound entrance ramp that will loop around for motorists to head northbound on I-83. This will eliminate motorists that are eastbound on Route 851 to make a left-turn like they do now to go northbound on I-83. Trucks exiting from the gas stations will now make a right

to get on the northbound entrance ramp of I-83. The ramps will all be widened and the bridge will be widened to about 62 feet and raised about a foot. The bridge over Mt. Airy Road will also be raised. There was only one meeting held to discuss the problem at this exit. The next meeting is on January 9 to present additional information.

Timing of Traffic Light at Mt. Airy Road and Route 851

M. Ridgely stated that at certain times, traffic is backed up on Mt. Airy Road waiting to make a left turn at Route 851.

The Secretary was asked to send a letter to PennDOT asking that this intersection be looked at in the morning between 7:30 and 9:00.

Lisburn Avenue Driveway Problem

Eng. Holley stated the property owner is happy with the work the Public Works Department did at the end of his driveway.

Southern Farms Sewer Work

Eng. Holley asked B. Sweitzer if he was present when the lateral connections were made and the answer was yes but he has not done any televised inspections on the bursting work.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Year-end Tax Ordinances

The ordinances are ready for adoption at next week's meeting.

Agreement for Refuse and Recyclable Collection

The agreement was executed and a copy will be sent to Penn Waste.

Jacobson Zoning Hearing Decision

The request was granted with a condition the applicant pay all fees connected with the hearing. Sol. Rehmeyer will respond to the Zoning Hearing Board that the Borough is satisfied with the decision.

Grim's Glass & Plastics

We are still waiting for Judge Snyder to issue a decision on the land use appeal from the Zoning Hearing Board.

Freedom Systems

Sol. Rehmeyer is contacting the person in charge of the State contract for computer hardware for leverage in our claim. A demand for arbitration has been prepared.

127 Raypaula Drive

An inspection of the property indicated the tenants have moved out and repairs are being made in hopes of selling the property. Sol. Rehmeyer is researching a better definition of a single family home.

Cable Franchise Agreement

A meeting was held with Adelphia's general manager and information was received this date that has not been reviewed. Letters were sent in error by Adelphia informing customers to choose the option of service they wish. They are not ready to implement the new programming in this area.

Swimming Pool Regulations – Zoning Ordinance Amendment

York County Planning Commission's response has been received and Sol. Rehmeyer prepared an ordinance that will be adopted at the January 5 meeting.

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

Secretary's Report – Cindy L. Bosley

Tree Lighting

Do we want to make a donation to Boy Scout Troop 90 for serving the refreshments?

A donation in the amount of \$100.00 will be sent.

Holiday Schedule

Council gave permission to close the Borough office and the Public Works Department for the Friday after Christmas and New Years.

York Area Tax Bureau – Frederick C. Noble

Recreation Board/Regional Recreation – Frederick C. Noble

Regional Recreation Board Vacancy

We still need to find a replacement for Anna Walters. Andy Bobbee has resigned, also. Notification will be sent to Mr. Bobbee that the Borough would like him to schedule the ballfields next year.

Planning Commission/Regional Planning Commission

Southern Regional Police – Richard R. Buchanan

Buck stated the police are issuing a lot of citations at the new Giant entrance for traffic violations. No arbitration will be needed for contract negotiations. Glen Rock Borough has sent a letter stating their option to withdraw because of rising costs. They are not withdrawing at this point. Next year, a committee will review the funding formula. Codorus Township agreed to pay their share of the DARE cost and Shrewsbury Township is waiting to hear back from Buck.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for Mutual Aid

Council felt the cooperation should be encouraged without any funding. The funding issue is flatly rejected. Each municipality should have its own capabilities.

NEW BUSINESS

Pinnacle Towers

Correspondence was received from Pinnacle Towers offering to purchase perpetual easements underneath the tower on Woodland Drive. The finance committee will pursue this to see if it's in the Borough's best interest.

Special Meeting in January to Discuss former Library Building

F. Noble announced the special meeting to be held on January 14 at 7:30 p.m. to discuss what to do with the former library building at 44 S. Main St.

COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

M. Ridgely moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:49 p.m.

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

Submitted by,

Cindy L. Bosley, Secretary