

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 10, 2010

PRESENT: Mayor Peter W. Schnabel, Carl W. Munch, Michael W. Ridgely,
Michael G. Sharkey, Christopher M. Skoglund and Eric W. Stoley

OTHERS

PRESENT: Jeffrey L. Rehmeyer, II, Esq.; James R. Holley, P.E.; Brian L. Sweitzer, Supt. of Public Works; E. Michael Lee of Codes Enforcement; Jason Trabant; Officer Michael Miller; Larry Zimmerman; Atty. Robert Katherman; Larry Haislip; Joe Credit;

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

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the October 13 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES AND REPORT OF ACCOUNTS

C. Skoglund moved to approve the expenditures and report of accounts for September and October.

C. Munch and M. Sharkey seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

BILL LIST

The bill list for October was presented: General account: check numbers 10296 thru 10328; Water account: check numbers 4441 thru 4452; Sewer account: check numbers 4252 thru 4261; Highway Aid: none.

C. Skoglund moved to approve the October bill list.

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

PAYROLL REGISTER

C. Skoglund moved to approve the October 4 and 18 payroll registers.
M. Sharkey seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

Eitzert Farms – Financial Security

There is currently a letter of credit in place as financial security and the owner asked for relief from the letter of credit. Sol. Rehmeyer worked on documents to establish alternative financial security for public improvements. The documents include an agreement, a mortgage and an opinion of counsel from Atty. Katherman. The agreement calls for no other encumbrances to be placed against the property, no building permits will be issued, no improvements to the property, payment of costs and expenses by the owner/developer, no assignment of the agreement, continued payment of real estate taxes, no activity on the property except agricultural purposes, and the agreement does not guarantee future sewer capacity.

C. Munch moved to approve the signing of the Agreement for Financial Security.
C. Skoglund seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

After the documents are recorded, the letter of credit will be released.

COUNCIL VACANCY

C. Skoglund moved to appoint Jason Traband to fill the vacancy left by Thomas Metz.

E. Stoley seconded. Roll call vote:

Munch	yes, in favor
Sharkey	yes, in favor
Stoley	yes, in favor
Skoglund	yes, in favor
Ridgely	yes, in favor

Mayor Schnabel administered the Oath of Office to Jason Traband.

Codes Enforcement – E. Michael Lee**Roof at Railroad Station**

Mike has contacted a representative of the railroad who stated he is trying to have it repaired. A deadline will be given soon if there has been no activity by the next meeting.

Wall at 35 East Forrest Avenue

Mike supplied the property owner with three contractors to obtain pricing for repair of the wall along North Highland Drive.

Scout House Pole Building

The contractor would like to start work on November 18.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was called at 7:55 p.m. to discuss sewer litigation and current contract issues.

The meeting was reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

Southern Regional Police Report -Mayor Schnabel**2011 Budget**

Mayor Schnabel presented the 2011 police budget as approved at the November 3 meeting. The Borough's share is \$533,176.00.

Police Chief

The Police Commission offered the position of Police Chief to Acting Chief/Lt. James Boddington and he accepted. At the December meeting, the Commission will disclose the terms of employment and Jim will be sworn in at the January meeting.

Police Services

Stewartstown Borough expressed interest in speaking with the Commission for 24/7 police coverage and Loganville Borough may be interested in purchasing some police coverage. It's a concern of Council that since both Glen Rock Borough and New Freedom Borough had given letters of withdrawal effective the end of 2011, that Shrewsbury Borough may be left solely to financially support the Southern Regional Police Department. It was mentioned that both Glen Rock Borough and New Freedom Borough have spoken with the Southwestern Regional Police Commission regarding costs and coverage.

C. Munch moved to authorize a letter be sent to the Southern Regional Police Commission that Shrewsbury Borough is going to exercise its option to withdraw from the Commission effective the year ending 2011.

C. Skoglund seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

The Borough is leaving its options open to discuss all possibilities and not be left as the sole supporter of the Southern Regional Police Department.

Study Panel for Police Services

E. Stoley moved to approve the formation of a study panel to pursue looking at the consolidation of Stewartstown Borough and services for Loganville Borough and to explore other options available to the Borough.

M. Sharkey seconded.

The panel would be comprised of Mayor Schnabel, Michael Ridgely, Buck Buchanan and Anthony Myers. Acting Chief/Lt. Boddington will be asked to provide information and to work with the Council.

Single Informational Mailing

M. Sharkey moved to authorize the expense of a single mailing to educate the residents, police force, Police Commission members, and the press of the upcoming investigation the Study Panel will be doing.

C. Skoglund seconded.

M. Sharkey amended the motion to spend up to \$1,000.00 for the mailing.

C. Skoglund seconded. The motions carried with all in favor.

Police Civil Service Representative

A representative is needed from Shrewsbury Borough to be the civil service representative who would help in reviewing applications for police employment. This will be discussed further next month.

Water & Sewer – Eric W. Stoley

Lutheran Home Second Water Connection

A letter was mailed to the Lutheran Home with the Borough's concern of only one water service connection point for the facility.

Southern Farms Water Grant

Announcements for grant winners should be made this month.

Thompson Well Shutdown

The well's galvanized piping in the well casing broke and was replaced in conjunction with the ten year old pump. The new piping is plastic and is corrosion resistant; the new pump should last ten to 20 years. The cost of the work was \$9,500.00.

E. Stoley moved to approve the expense to repair the piping at the well at an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

C. Skoglund seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Public Roads & Lighting – Eric W. Stoley

Heathcote Glen Speed Limit Signs

Speed limit signs were placed in the Heathcote Glen development per the traffic study. The developer was billed for the labor, materials and the cost of the study.

E. Stoley moved to adopt Ordinance #2010-5 with attached traffic studies to support the placement of stop signs and speed limit signs in the Heathcote Glen development.

C. Munch seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Crack Sealing

Crack sealing was finished on October 27th. Woodland Drive, Spring Creek Drive; Old Farm Lane, Sheffer Road, Tolna Road, West Railroad Avenue and East Church Street were sealed.

Damaged Curbing at 35 West Forrest Avenue

The homeowner was notified there was damage done to a vehicle by their broken curbing in front and that a liability exists. It's in their best interest to have it repaired.

The homeowners responded with a request for an extension to have the work done next spring due to the weather.

Council accepted the request.

Timing of Traffic Signal at Main Street and Forrest Avenue

A representative from PennDOT contacted the office and said if complaints are received about traffic backing up due to the three east/west road closures, their office can be contacted and approval will be given for a timing change.

Officer Miller stated he believes the timing sequence of the yellow to red east and westbound is too short.

LED Light Change Out

Shrewsbury Township obtained an estimate to have the current traffic light bulbs changed over to LED lights at the former Kmart intersection with East Forrest Avenue and the Mount Airy Road and East Forrest Avenue intersections. The Borough share is \$4,661.95.

E. Stoley moved to approve the expenditure out of this year's budget for the LED changeout at the two intersections.

C. Skoglund seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Public Lands & Buildings and Finance – Christopher M. Skoglund

Scheduling of Tentative 2011 Budget Approval

The tentative budget will be approved at the December 8 meeting.

Year-End Meeting

Council set Tuesday, December 28 at 7:00 p.m. as the year-end meeting with final budget approval.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Phase II Curb/Sidewalk Block Grant

The County approved the mailing of the income surveys to the residents in Phase II of the block grant.

Heathcote Glen II Development

One side of the street is in the Borough and the other side is in Shrewsbury Township. Eng. Holley said Council could consider allowing the Municipal Authority to provide public water to the homes in Shrewsbury Township.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT

Curfew Ordinance

The Secretary provided copies of ordinances of the surrounding municipalities for Council to consider; Sol. Rehmeier is ready to assist in the preparation of a new ordinance.

The Solicitor's report was submitted for review.

Public Safety, Welfare and Personnel

Secretary's Report – Cindy L. Bosley

Tree Lighting Ceremony

The annual ceremony will be on Sunday, December 5 at 6:00 p.m.

York Area Tax Bureau

Subdivision, Land Development and Zoning – Eric W. Stoley

Council will see the ten lot Edie/Heathcote Glen plan next month. The Heathcote Glen II plan is still in staff review.

Planning Commission/Regional Planning Commission – Eric W. Stoley**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

The issue control sheet was reviewed and updated.

NEW BUSINESS**Payment of Expert Witnesses**

The underwriter claims the invoices for Eng. Holley do not qualify for reimbursement under the E & O policy related to the sewer lawsuit.

COMMUNICATIONS

A letter was received from Larry Zimmerman, Chair of the Shrewsbury Events Committee, thanking the police department for the help and traffic controls they provided.

ADJOURNMENT

C. Skoglund moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:59 p.m.
E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Submitted by,
Cindy L. Bosley, Sec.