

MINUTES

SHREWSBURY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 9, 2002

PRESENT: Mayor James W. Reedy, Salvatore A. DiPaula, Jr., Michael W. Ridgely, Christopher M. Skoglund, 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; Gary LaBarre; Jacob Papp, SRRB director; Jeff Keating, Zoning Officer; Barb Krebs of The York Dispatch; Terri Reuter of The York Daily Record; Tom Simmons; Bob Sandmeyer

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.

JACOB PAPP, Director of the Southern Regional Recreation Board was present to speak about the program and concerns that the Board will be in the red at the end of the year of about \$15,000.00. Jake said some programs were down in attendance and business sponsorships were down. Jake wants to initiate five to ten new programs next year. They did one newsletter this year and hope to do more next year and increase business sponsorship. Jake said for programs next year, he is going to make sure the registration fee covers the cost of the program plus overhead. He said they need more input from the Borough by way of representation at the board meetings. A letter will be sent to Mike Sharkey to see if he is still interested in serving on the board and Council will talk with Joe.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

Tom Simmons was present to state the sign ordinance does not allow the new shopping center to compete with others in the area. Tom was told the other shopping plazas in the Borough were grandfathered in and the Commons is in the Township. Council said they are not interested in amending the ordinance to allow

larger signs because this is mainly a residential community plus it would set a precedent. Tom asked if Council would consider amending the way the sign size is calculated as now the posts and hardware are included in the measurement calculations. Council referred this to the Planning Commission to make a recommendation.

Gary LaBarre stated the current antennas are now wired. He asked permission to leave two or three rolls of cable at the water tank site for about a month until they can get the cable off the spools and roll it up and then they would dispose of the spools. Permission was given. Gary also said they may be able to receive by donation a communication trailer which is about eight to ten feet long. It would have a generator and a wind-up antenna. It would have to be stored somewhere.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C. Skoglund moved to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2002 meeting.
E. Stoley 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.
C. Skoglund seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

BILLS

- CGA Law Firm general account thru 9/26/02 \$6,208.00;
- James R. Holley & Associates, Inc. sewer \$841.02; water meeting at Giant site and new wells/booster pump \$991.53; general engineering \$1,414.96; scout house roof replacement \$472.82; sanitary sewer line repairs \$32.50; streets \$730.90
- CGA Law Firm Douglas Miller zoning hearing appeal \$2,697.25
- York County Planning Commission 6th and 7th invoice regional transportation study \$811.85
- Velda Nickell bookkeeping services for September 17.5 hours \$350.00
- D & D Scarborough, Inc. scout house roof \$34,833.70;
- Trinity Excavating, Inc. sewer repairs \$26,437.43

M. Ridgely moved to approve the above invoices.

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

SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS

Dr. Paul Stadler, 620 South Main Street Land Development Plan

Bob Sandmeyer presented the plan which calls for a 2,000 square foot building now and then a 3,000 square foot building to be built later. The existing home would then be destroyed and the planners asked that that be done within six months of his occupancy in the new building. Concrete curbing was added to the plan. PennDOT is recommending two Sycamore trees be removed and they asked for Council's approval. E. Stoley requested a note be added to the plan stating one EDU is allotted for this property.

E. Stoley moved to approve the plan with the following conditions: a note added there is one EDU allotted for this property, posting of a \$3,000.00 bond for the curbing, approval of the soil and erosion plan and issuance of a PennDOT highway occupancy permit to include removal of two Sycamore trees as they are a safety issue.

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

Zoning Officer/BOCA Inspector

Jeff was asked to check into the signs that have appeared on South Main Street in the area between Onion Blvd. and Constitution Ave.

Shrewsbury Center Inspections

C. Skoglund moved to authorize Engineer Holley to arrange for a private firm to do the inspection work at the new shopping center.

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

The cost for this will be passed on to the developer.

OTHER REPORTS

Water & Sewer

Booster Pump

The permit for the booster pump station has been approved by DEP and they are requiring the Borough to purchase a spare pump in case of emergency. The spare pump will cost \$1,650.00. Eng. Holley stated his office will contact DEP and Kohl Bros. will also send a letter that if the pump goes bad, one can be put in place within 24 hours as Kohl Bros. keeps these pumps in stock.

New Wells

It's expected we will have the permits by next week. Then, the well houses can be built.

Drought Emergency

The drought emergency is still in effect. Water usage for September dropped 5% compared to 2001.

Valley Road Generator

Cummins Power Systems has signed the agreement for the north end sewer station generator.

Public Roads & Lighting – Christopher M. Skoglund

Tree Trimming

Tree trimming notices were sent to residents with tree limbs hanging over and beyond the curb.

Public Lands & Buildings and Finance – Michael W. Ridgely

Interim Library Loan

The settlement is scheduled for October 11. The Borough is guaranteeing up to \$125,000.00 and the required pre-settlement paperwork was submitted to Peoples Bank several weeks ago.

E. Stoley moved to authorize the Secretary to sign the Resolution agreeing to the guarantee the interim loan.

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

PLGIT Transfers

The amounts that need to be transferred were carried over from prior years' accounting and were transfers that were not done. At the budget meeting, it was discussed to do the transfers now and move the money where it belongs.

M. Ridgely moved to authorize the Treasurer to transfer the funds between the PLGIT accounts based on the auditor's recommendations from previous years.

S. DiPaula and E. Stoley seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Municipal Building Roof

D & D Scarborough examined the roof and they feel the roof is between 30 – 35 years old and does show some wear. It was decided to have the new roof installed next year and to take the funds out of PLGIT. The bidding process should start in January.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Scout House Roof

The project is almost finished. The scouts would like the existing roof left in place. D & D Scarborough submitted a change order in the amount of \$2,759.00 to retain the existing roof over the main portion.

C. Skoglund moved to approve the change order in the amount of \$2,759.00.

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

Ken Zampier, scout master, will be invited to the next meeting to explain how the scouts will repair the section of the roof.

Sewer Extension

The amount of \$3,000.00 should be budgeted to extend a portion of sewer main on Church St. for the last home in the Borough on Church St. to connect. This will be done as part of the Messina Townhome extension.

PennDOT Drainage Policy

PennDOT has amended their policy for drainage work and maintenance. Copies of the revision will be copied and distributed.

Deduct Meter

Last month, the Township requested a deduct meter for Walmart to measure how much is used in the garden section. Council suggested a sewer discharge meter. Eng. Holley presented information that the sewage discharge meters are very high maintenance and he recommended a deduct meter with a quarterly surcharge. The ordinance says an application may be considered for a deduct meter. Council feels the water/sewer billing combination is a way to force conservation of water and it does not want to promote the “wasting” of water for a nursery, especially in drought situations like this year. A precedent would be set as every home owner and business could request a meter and it could become an administrative nightmare.

E. Stoley moved to authorize the amendment of the ordinance. After discussion the motion was withdrawn and we will do nothing at this time. If a request is made, the request will be forwarded to the water and sewer committee.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT

Grim’s Glass Zoning Hearing Appeal

The petition of support from the neighbors was not in the file and the applicant produced another copy to enter as evidence in the appeal. Sol. Rehmeier is seeking to recover his costs.

1972 Sewer Bond

Work is progressing on the refinancing. Settlement of the bonds is to take place on October 22.

Key Lock Box Ordinance

E. Stoley moved to authorize the advertisement of the ordinance for adoption next month.

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

Penn Waste

Scott Wagner will be at the next meeting to discuss the consumer price index and the final extension to our present contract.

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

Animal Control Contract

Terry Hemler, ACS, recommended we stay with the Animal Control and Rescue League near Red Lion.

E. Stoley moved to stay with the Animal Control and Rescue League and to pay them the \$150.00.

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

Secretary's Report – Cindy L. Bosley

PSAB Shared Building Inspector Program

Mike Heuter will be at the next meeting to give a brief rundown of the program. Irvin will be invited to attend.

Groundwater Simulator

We will receive \$600.00 from the League of Women Voters to purchase a groundwater simulator for the elementary school.

York Area Earned Income Tax Bureau

Recreation Board/Regional Recreation Board

Planning Commission/Regional Planning Commission – Eric W. Stoley

Southern Regional Police

The report was briefly reviewed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Cedar Trees at 205 West Railroad Avenue

Bailey Barnhart of PennDOT called and if the trees are in the PennDOT right of way, the property owner will be made to move the trees. Bailey will give us a copy of the letter to the property owner. If the trees are not in the right of way, the Borough will then proceed with our tree trimming ordinance.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMUNICATIONS

ADJOURNMENT

M. Ridgely moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 p.m.
S. DiPaula seconded. The motion carried with all in favor.

Submitted by,

Cindy L. Bosley, Secretary