

MAY 18, 2009

Mayor Cooperhouse called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Mayor Cooperhouse read the Presiding Officer's Statement. Present were Council Members Burden, Keegan and Murphy. Council Members Dodge and Menapace were absent. Also present was Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman and Borough Attorney Martin Barger.

RESOLUTION #2009-59 (Executive Session)

Mayor Cooperhouse read Resolution #2009-59 to enter into executive session.

Reconvene Public Meeting

Mayor Cooperhouse reconvened the regular meeting at 8:00 PM. Mayor Cooperhouse read the Presiding Officer's Statement. Present were Council Members Burden, Keegan and Murphy. Council Members Dodge and Menapace were absent. Also present was Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman and Borough Attorney Martin Barger.

Salute to Flag

Mayor Cooperhouse led the Salute to the Flag.

Nomination and Appointment of Council Member

The Clerk read a letter from the Shrewsbury Republic Municipal Committee submitting the following three names for the Borough Council vacancy.

1. Michael DeNofa
2. Arlene Stump
3. Craig Snyder

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Burden to appoint Michael DeNofa, of 23 Borden Street, Shrewsbury to fill the unexpired term of Councilman McGuire. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes. Attorney Barger issued the Oath of Office to Councilman DeNofa.

ORDINANCE NO. 930: SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION – Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits & Establish a Cap Bank

Open/Close Hearing to the Public

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Burden to open the meeting to the public to discuss Ordinance No. 930. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes. Seeing no one to speak, a motion was made by Councilman Burden, seconded by Councilman Murphy to close the meeting to the public. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

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Adopt

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Keegan to adopt Ordinance No. 930, AN ORDINANCE EXCEEDING THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET LIMITS AND ESTABLISHING A CAP BANK. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

RESOLUTION #2009-60 (Opposing the Diversion of Funds from the Emergency Medical Technician Training Fund)

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Keegan to adopt Resolution #2009-60 opposing the diversion of funds from the Emergency Medical Technician Training Fund. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes, except for Councilman DeNofa who abstained.

RESOLUTION #2009-61 (Governing Body Approval of Annual 2008 Audit)

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Burden to adopt Resolution #2009-61 approving the annual 2008 audit. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes, except for Councilman DeNofa who abstained.

Approval: Raffle Application # 2009-03 Mental Health Assoc. of Monmouth County on 11/16/09

A motion was made by Councilman Keegan, seconded by Councilman Burden to approve Raffle Application #2009-03 for the Mental Health Association of Monmouth County to be held at 119 Avenue of the Commons, Suite 5, Shrewsbury on November 16, 2009 at 5:00 PM. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Administrator's Report

Administrator Seaman reported that the website update is available for each department to review their section and make any changes or additions.

Administrator Seaman also report that a preconstruction meeting was held for West End Avenue and Sickles Place. Notices have been sent to the residents. The project will be started on May 21st and will take three weeks to proceed and complete.

Authorize Engineer to Solicit Bids for Resurfacing of the Tennis Courts

Administrator Seaman asked for authorization for the Borough Engineer to advertise for bids to resurface the tennis courts. *A motion was made by Councilman Keegan, seconded by Councilman Burden to authorize the Borough Engineer to advertise for bids for resurfacing the Borough tennis courts. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.*

Administrator Seaman discussed the authorization for bids for Laurel Street. The Council declined to authorize bids at this time, for lack of information. Mayor Cooperhouse stated that before Council can vote on items of this importance, the Engineer needs to provide a report that includes all of the information to the Clerk's office so we can review it before the meeting, going forward.

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Administrator Seaman also reported that the Borough has received correspondence from the NJDEP concerning the Borough's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. The Borough Engineer is reviewing the Ordinance and will make any recommendations for modifications if needed.

Reports of Council

Councilman Burden noted that the Environmental Commission recommended a number of appointments to the Environmental Commission at their May 13th meeting and they would like those discussed. He also noted that the Local board of Health met and nominated Meg Levinson as their new President.

Councilman Burden also pointed out that four students at the Shrewsbury Borough School entered a contest on 'biochar' and are up for an award and are going to Washington DC for the next phase of the competition.

Councilman Burden also elaborated on the Shade Tree Commission's recent activities.

Councilman DeNofa had no report.

Councilman Keegan had no report.

Councilman Murphy had no report.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Cooperhouse made appointments to the following with the advice and consent of Council:

Board of Health - Diane Woodroffe, from Alt.#2 to regular member with a 4 year term expiring 12/31/11 and Trisha Gandolfo as Alternate #2, with a 2 year term expiring 12/31/10. *A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Keegan to approve the Mayor's appointments.*

Local Assistance Board - Mayor Cooperhouse nominated Don Burden as Chairman with a one year term expiring 12/31/09. *A motion was made by Councilman Keegan, seconded by Councilman DeNofa to approve the appointment of Councilman Donald Burden as the Local Assistance Board's Chairman. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.*

Ethics Board - Councilman Keegan was appointed as the public member filling an unexpired 5 year term expiring 12/31/09. *A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Burden to approve the appointment of Matthew Keegan as a public member The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.*

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The following Mayoral Appointments were made:

Environmental Commission - Leslie Eaton from Alternate #1 to replace Kristina Lattimer as a Regular Member with a 3 year term expiring 12/31/09. Jill Gwyder will be Chairperson. Deidre Derasadourian appointed as Alternate Member #1 to a 2 year term expiring 12/31/09 and Kathy Louder-Murphy is appointed as Alternate Member #2 with a 2 year term expiring 12/31/2010.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to report.

Open/Close Meeting to the Public

A motion was made by Councilman Burden, seconded by Councilman DeNofa to open the meeting to the public. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes. Seeing no one to speak a motion was made by Councilman Burden, seconded by Councilman DeNofa to close the meeting to the public. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Payment of Bills

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Keegan to authorize payment of all bills as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes, except for Councilman DeNofa who abstained.

Adjourn to Executive Session

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Keegan to enter into an executive session at 8:40 PM. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Reconvene Regular Meeting

Mayor Cooperhouse reconvened the public meeting at 9:04 PM. Present were Council Members Burden, DeNofa, Keegan and Murphy. Council Members Dodge and Menapace were absent. Also present was Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman and Borough Attorney Martin Barger.

RESOLUTION #2009-62 (Authorizing an Audit for DPW by Jersey Professional Management Consultant Services)

A motion was made by Councilman Murphy, seconded by Councilman DeNofa to adopt Resolution #2009-62 authorizing the expenditure of \$5,250.00 to Jersey Professional Management Consultant Services. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes, except for Councilman Burden who abstained.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 9:06 PM was made by Councilman Burden, seconded by Councilman DeNofa and approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Attest: _____
Lynn A. Spillane, CMC – Municipal Clerk

Approve: _____
Terel Cooperhouse, Mayor