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Mayor Burden called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Mayor Burden read the Presiding Officer's Statement. Present were Council Members DeNofa, DeSalvo, Dodge, Menapace, Meyer and Pellegrino. Also present was Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman. Borough Attorney Martin Barger was absent.

Resolution #2011-57A (Executive Session)

Mayor Burden read Resolution #2011-57A to enter into Executive Session.

Reconvene Public Meeting

Mayor Burden reconvened the regular meeting at 7:30 PM. Mayor Burden read the Presiding Officer's Statement. Present were Council Members DeNofa, DeSalvo, Dodge, Menapace, Meyer and Pellegrino. Also present was Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman. Borough Attorney Martin Barger was absent.

Salute to Flag

Mayor Burden led the Salute to the Flag.

Approval of Minutes: Council Meeting May 16, 2011

A motion was made by Councilman Pellegrino, seconded by Councilman Menapace to approve the meeting minutes of May 16, 2011. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Recognize Ptl. Jessica Boyd

Councilman Menapace stated that every year at this time every parent is concerned with the possibility that their kids who are out celebrating either graduation or summer will be the recipient of the results of a drunk driver who injures them or in the worst case scenario takes their life. Councilman Menapace stated that the identification and arrest of drunk drivers is an extremely high enforcement responsibility for any police department. He stated that he felt honored to recognize Officer Jessica Boyd. He requested Officer Boyd (who was present) to stand up so she could be recognized and he announced that last year the Shrewsbury Police Department reported 15 DWI arrests and Jessica was responsible for 8 of those arrests. In recognition of Ptl. Boyd's efforts "Mothers Against Drunk Driving" (MADD) awarded Jessica the 2010 Law Enforcement Distinguished Service Award on June 8, 2011 which Councilman Menapace then read into the record. The reading of the citation was met with a standing ovation by everyone in the room. Councilman Menapace stated that as a post script Jessica Boyd was on duty and would be heading out to once again protect the community of the Borough of Shrewsbury for the next 12 hours. Councilman Menapace thanked Officer Boyd and the rest of the Council thanked her as well.

Attorney Martin Barger entered the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Presentation of Tree City USA by Chair of the Shade Tree Commission, Nancy Schmaltz

The Mayor requested that Nancy Schmaltz, Shade Tree Chair come forward. Ms. Schmaltz stated that she was happy to be here to present the Mayor and Council with a plaque and other "goodies"

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for again attaining the status of “Tree City USA”. She noted that it was the Borough’s 13th year for being designated with the “Tree City USA” title. Ms. Schmaltz reviewed the four criteria necessary to receive this designation. First, the Borough is required to have a tree commission in some form which the Borough has with its Shade Tree Commission. Second, there must be a tree ordinance in place which the Borough has. Third, there must be certain per capita in the budget for tree care, which she pointed out the Borough provides. Fourth, there must be some sort of Arbor Day event and she explained how the Shade Tree Commission always sponsors a program with the school in which they give the kindergarteners a little tree seedling. Ms. Schmaltz thanked the Mayor and Council for their support and presented them with the new “Tree City USA” flag and plaque.

The Mayor then read a Certificate of Appreciation that he presented to Nancy Schmaltz for her dedication and hard work as the Shade Tree Commission Chair. The room applauded Ms. Schmaltz.

Accept and Implement Lt. Ferraro’s Deer Report

Lt. Ferraro stated that he felt it was a very thorough process which was a long time coming and that his recommendations are included in the report he submitted to the Mayor and Council. Councilman Meyer motioned to accept and implement the recommendations in Lt. Ferraro’s Deer Report, seconded by Councilman Dodge. Councilman Meyer questioned whether the deer culling would be restricted to private property and not carried out on public property. Lt. Ferraro responded that Councilman Meyer was correct. He stated that they would like to keep the option open to allow culling of deer on public property. However, because of the man hours required to manage that process they decided against that option at this time. At the request of Councilman DeSalvo Lt. Ferraro reviewed the safety standards that would be adhered to during deer culling. Lt. Ferraro noted these are standards set by the State. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

The Mayor thanked Lt. Ferraro, the other members of the Police Department, the members of Council as well as the community at large for their input in arriving at a decision on this issue which has been before three Mayors and has finally come to conclusion.

ORDINANCE NO. 959: SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING/ADOPTION: Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Shrewsbury, Chapter 9, “Board’s, Committees and Commissions,” Article III, “Recreation Committee” by Adding a Requirement for Criminal History Background Checks for Recreation Program Employees & Volunteers

Open the Meeting to the Public

Councilman Meyer motioned to open the meeting to the public for comment, seconded by Councilman Menapace. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Close Meeting to the Public

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

Adopt

A motion was made by Councilman Meyer, seconded by Councilman Menapace to adopt **Ord. No. 959 – An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Shrewsbury, Chapter 9, “Board’s, Committees and Commissions,” Article III, “Recreation Committee” by Adding a Requirement for Criminal History Background Checks for Recreation Program Employees & Volunteers.** The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

2011 MUNICIPAL BUDGET HEARING: Open to the Public

Councilman Dodge stated that this was the second reading of the Budget that was introduced at the April 18, 2011 meeting. Councilman Dodge summarized the budget.

Open Meeting to the Public

A motion was made by Councilman Meyer, seconded by Councilman Dodge to open the meeting to the public to discuss the 2011 Municipal Budget. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Close Meeting to the Public

As there was no comment from the public a motion was made by Councilman Menapace, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino to close the meeting to the public. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Mr. Seaman reiterated that the 2011 Municipal Budget would raise \$6,268,019.26 for taxes which is the exact amount that the Borough raised last year. He stated that there was a 1.6 cent increase based on the Borough’s valuations decreasing by over \$16 million.

Resolution #2011-55 (Adopt the 2011 Municipal Budget)

A motion was made by Councilman DeNofa, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino to adopt Resolution #2011-55 adopting the 2011 Municipal Budget for the Borough of Shrewsbury. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

The Mayor thanked the Finance Committee and Tom Seaman and everyone who contributed to the budget process this year. He stated that in all his years on Council he has never seen the kind of effort put into the Budget as was put in this year acknowledging the effects of decisions made in Trenton.

Resolution #2011-56 (Hire Part Time Police Dispatcher)

A motion was made by Councilman Meyer, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino to approve Resolution #2011-56 which authorized the hiring of Part Time Police Dispatcher, David A. Marino Jr. Councilman Menapace commented that Chief John Wilson recommended hiring David A.

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Marino Jr. at a rate of \$16.19 per hour to cover shifts as recommended by the Police. Mr. Menapace noted that Mr. Marino would be paid \$10.00 per hour during the training period and \$16.19 upon completion of training and working individually effective immediately. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Resolution #2011-57 (Establishing Shrewsbury Borough as a No Idling Zone)

The Mayor stated that the Chairwoman of the Environmental Commission had requested to address the Council and so he called Ms. Jill Gwydir forward. Ms. Gwydir thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to speak to them. She informed the Council that this was an initiative from the Sustainable New Jersey Program Green Team. Ms. Gwydir explained that this is one of the actions which will help the Borough earn points toward certification. Ms. Gwydir shared the hope is to educate the public about the side effects, health effects and impact of idling on the environment.

Ms. Gwydir stated that there are three or four components to earning points with the first being the passing of this resolution, the second being to locate and map several areas in the town that are "high idling areas" such as parks, schools and drive through banks where they would be required to post signs. She noted that they already have signs up at DPW and in the Grove. The third requirement involves the educational component which she hopes to coordinate with the beginning of the school year. Her plan is to use flyers to educate parents about not idling their cars when picking up their children. She stated they also need to collaborate with some of the businesses and civic groups. She noted that the League of Women Voters are already distributing information on this subject and have agreed to lend their sponsorship on the back of the Environmental Commission flyer. Additionally, they will invite businesses to join their initiative by distributing flyers in their places of business.

Ms. Gwydir stated once all this has been completed the Environmental Commission plans to submit the packet of information for points toward their Sustainable New Jersey Program. After Ms. Gwydir concluded, the Mayor pointed out that this does not impact any of the Borough's emergency vehicles to which Ms. Gwydir agreed. The issue of enforcement was touched on and Ms. Gwydir stated they would be discussing this issue with the Police Department in the near future.

A motion was made by Councilman Pellegrino, seconded by Councilman Menapace to approve Resolution #2011-57 establishing Shrewsbury Borough as a "No Idling" zone. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes except Councilman Meyer who abstained.

Raffle Applications #2011-03 for Maria Frangella Foundation for Colon Research @ Shadowbrook on 10/02/11

A motion was made by Councilman Meyer, seconded by Councilman Menapace to approve Raffle License #2011-03 for the Maria Frangella Foundation for Colon Research to be held at the Shadowbrook on 10/02/11. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

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Administrator's Report

Mr. Seaman reported that on Wednesday, June 22nd, all employees are invited to participate in a safety luncheon as a reward for the Borough winning first place for the JIF Safety Award for Safety in 2010.

Mr. Seaman stated that the last bulk pickup day the residents were putting out electronics. He pointed out that they can't be picked up with the normal garbage collection and so the Code Enforcement Officer is informing the residents about this. Mr. Seaman stated that DPW is purchasing a container which will allow residents to drop off unwanted electronics and residents will be informed when it is available.

Reports of Council

Councilman DeNofa

Councilman DeNofa reported he had met with the Borough Engineer, Dave Cranmer, and that K Hovnanian Development work on the retaining walls and buffers is proceeding. Councilman DeNofa stated that the Broad Street Sales office is open and the development is now listed on the K Hovnanian website with 500 inquiries so far. He reported that demolition of the buildings on the site has been completed.

Mr. DeNofa reported that Seashore Estates has have found a new source for clean fill dirt and should be back on schedule this week.

Councilman DeNofa stated that reports on the Blades Run project are being reviewed by Mr. Cranmer but that preliminary results show there is a 4' layer of clay under the roadway which is not as bad as originally thought.

Mr. Cranmer informed Mr. DeNofa that he would be available for the July Council meeting to present his ideas on the Patterson Avenue traffic calming project.

Mr. DeNofa reported that Mr. Cranmer evaluated the Sickles Park basketball courts and he recommends not reconstructing the courts due to the soil conditions there. Mr. Cranmer estimated the cost would be upwards of \$40,000 to \$50,000 and recommends repairing the cracks on the surface instead. Mr. DeNofa reported that Mr. Cranmer recommends a Kevlar type patch and has obtained a \$15,000 quote from the same company that did the Borough's tennis courts. The Kevlar patch has a 5 year guarantee and is expected to last from 5 to 10 years.

Councilman DeNofa reported that the fence at Patterson Avenue Park has been installed and Mr. Drucker has sealed the fence at no cost to the Borough. He reported that grounds work continues but that this is an on-going project. He noted that bases have been replaced as requested by Council.

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Mr. DeNofa reported the damage on the Alameda Court residence that occurred when the hydraulic line broke on the DPW truck and sprayed fluid all over the driveway has been sealed and coated and the issue should be resolved.

Councilman DeNofa stated that they had received two quotes for the electronic recycling trailer, one from Omaha Standard located in Trenton for \$4,565.00 and the other from DeJana located in New York for \$6,444.00. Mr. DeNofa stated that a decision on this is waiting until Mr. Wentway who is currently away on vacation returns.

Mr. DeNofa informed the Council that the tennis courts were vandalized and repaired by Ron Neis. He explained that someone undid the wire fence so they could reach in and open the gate from the inside.

Councilman DeNofa stated that there was an insurance inspection done at DPW which created a "to do list" and incorporated were the following items: signage for Handicapped Parking" and "Do Not Enter"; eye protection should be required for DPW employees consistent with certain job functions; electrical dangers needed to be addressed; guards should be installed on certain machines and a new harness is required for the bucket truck. Mr. DeNofa stated that these safety concerns have either been addressed or are near completion.

Councilman DeSalvo reported that on June 13th he attended the Drug and Alcohol Alliance meeting where they continued to plan Red Ribbon Week for the fall and to coordinate that with the Police Department. He informed the Council that earlier this month they ran an exercise with the 8th Graders where they used distortion goggles to allow the kids to feel what it was like to have different levels of alcohol in their system. The Police Department set up a course with cones and had them drive around in golf carts to simulate what it would be like to drive under the influence. Mr. DeSalvo stated this gives them a great lesson on drinking and driving and demonstrates how little it takes to affect your skills when under the influence. He stated that the Drug and Alcohol Alliance is always seeking new members so if you know of anyone interested please let them know.

Councilman DeSalvo stated that in regards to the Fire Department the ladder truck is currently out of service due to a ruptured seal on the main piston to the ladder. He stated that attempts are being made to fix it in-house but they expect that it will be out of service for a couple of weeks. He informed the Council that surrounding fire departments from adjacent towns know this and are prepared to back up Shrewsbury if need be.

Councilman Dodge had no report but instead deferred to Councilman Meyer on Negotiating and Finance issues within the budget.

Councilman Meyer reported that it is a real rarity when a Police Department loses almost 20% of their officers. He noted that what has happened in Shrewsbury over the last few months is a sign of the. Mr. Meyer explained that the Borough had two Captains retire and a Sergeant who unfortunately passed away from an untimely death after just putting in for his retirement. He explained that the Borough has a Collective Bargaining Agreement in place with the Police

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Department which expires on December 31, 2012. Councilman Meyer stated due to dramatic turnover within the Police Department and in an attempt to be fiscally responsible as well as supporting the needs of the Police Department, the Negotiating Committee decided to open discussion about the situation. Councilman Meyer stated that he was happy to announce that the Council has an agreement with the PBA on new hires as well as an extension of their contract through December 31, 2015. He stated that this could not have been achieved without the cooperation of the PBA and that it was a fairly painless and quick process. Mr. Meyer stated that he would like to commend the PBA for their reality check.

Councilman Meyer stated that the highlights of the agreement is that new patrol officers hired after today will receive a \$44,000 starting salary and will have 10 grade level steps to achieve senior patrol level. He stated that the Police Department in their current Collective Bargaining Agreement they do not make any co pay to their medical costs because they are under contract through the end of 2012. He pointed out that the changes made this past week in Trenton will be grandfathered in. Mr. Meyer stated that in the addendum the Police Department has agreed to abide by all laws which will be in place on January 1, 2013 regarding their contributions which will be either the 1 ½% or the State mandated number on that date. Mr. Meyer stated that in return the three year contract will pay an increase of 1% in 2013, 1% in 2014 and 2% in 2015. He thanked the Police, PBA and Detective Bob Turner for their cooperation in this matter.

Councilman Meyer motioned to approve the Mayor signing the addendum to the Collective Bargaining Agreement as stated, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Councilman Meyer stated, “While the PBA has their feet firmly entrenched in reality, unfortunately the teachers do not. Unfortunately the teachers will not have a contract when they return to school in September. With a 2% property tax cap in this State he stated he was aware that the Board of Education has been working diligently with them for the past 9 months but it has been officially declared at impasse and it will go into mediation now.”

Councilman Meyer discussed the emails he had received in regard to the coaches showing up to play ball before the parks official starting hours of 9:30 AM on a Sunday’s. Mr. Meyer stated he had taken the liberty to send an email to Recreation to inform them not to schedule any games before 10:00 AM in the parks.

Councilman Menapace reported that per the report by Councilman Meyer on the addendum to the Collective Bargaining Agreement and due to the fact we have lost 20% of the Shrewsbury Police Department which leaves the Borough currently with 13 officers that he would like to make a motion.

Councilman Menapace motioned to authorize the Police Department to hire two new Police Officers immediately with start dates of July 1, 2011, seconded by Councilman Meyer. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

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Councilman Menapace stated that the Police Committee held a regular meeting with Chief Wilson on June 16th. He noted that Lt. Ferraro sat in for a portion of the meeting. Issues reviewed were:

- The Performance Evaluation process which is the subject of ongoing review by the Police Committee from a content and formatting standpoint.
- The formulation of a standardized promotion process which is ongoing by Chief Wilson and Lt. Ferraro. A draft plan will be presented to the Police Committee shortly.
- The Police Department is still waiting for NJDOT to install signage on Broad St. /Route 35 north regarding restricting right turns onto Silverbrook Rd. east during certain times of day and day of week. Following installation of the signs, there will be a 30 day enforcement phase in by the Police Department.
- The Borough has filed a grant application with the Federal government making Shrewsbury eligible to possibly receive as much as \$300,000 to augment Police Department salaries. Announcement of grant recipients will occur on September 30th.
- The Police Department commenced a trial study of a License Plate Identification System that will last 30 to 45 days. The trial will facilitate a decision to purchase the system, which cost \$18,000 per unit. Potentially we could obtain 2 units for the price of one through a cooperative purchase deal through Brielle Police Department and Homeland Security funding. Mr. Menapace stated that he will be very anxious to hear the feedback on the results of that system.
- Residents will notice new paint jobs on two recently purchased Dodge Chargers for the Police Department. The main body of the cars will be gunmetal gray with high visibility lettering and he added they are extremely impressive looking.
- Traffic light cameras are being studied. Preliminary accident and ticket data is being gathered and contacts will be made with Ocean and Brick Twp. Police Departments to discuss their experience with the operations of those systems in their towns.
- Wall Township Police Department arrested one individual and charged a second in a series of car burglaries in their town. Coordinated investigation with Wall Twp. by Shrewsbury Police Department will include the execution of search warrants as there was recovery of stolen property from Shrewsbury during the car burglaries. Investigation is ongoing by Detective Bob Turner.

Councilman Menapace stated that he attended the Shade Tree Commission monthly meeting on June 11, 2011. He related that they discussed the identification and removal of dead trees within the Borough easement and in public areas, such as parking lots. Some trees in the Staples/Trader Joes lot appear to be dead or endangered as are some of the trees on Garden, Borden and Winding Brook Way. He stated that the Shade Tree Commission will follow up on this situation. Mr. Menapace stated that the Shade Tree Commission continues to work with the Environmental Commission Green Team on the Borough's Environmental Resource Inventory. Mr. Menapace stated that the Shade Tree Commission is deeply involved in updating the Borough's Community Forrest Management Plan. He noted that they have a working draft and 50% of it was reviewed at the last meeting.

Councilman Menapace informed the Council that he has been following potential environmental issues related to the Ft. Monmouth landfills located on Parkers Creek for the past two years. He

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stated that in the last two weeks he had obtained disks from Ft. Monmouth containing the Baseline Environmental Evaluation which addresses all of the questionable sites on the Fort. This study was prepared by Shaw Environmental, a contractor to the Department of Defense,. Mr. Menapace stated that he is focusing on the impact to Parkers Creek and the creeks that feed Parkers Creek. He stated that he is in the process of reviewing the information with the assistance of the Environmental Commission and will report findings at a future Council meeting.

Councilman Pellegrino reported that Delta Dental has proposed a zero percent increase on the dental plan if the Borough renews for the one year. Delta Dental is proposing a 3.3% increase if the Borough locks in for 2 years. Mr. Pellegrino stated that he discussed this with Administrator Seaman who pointed out that the normal increase runs in the range of 3 to 4% and so it was his recommendation that the Borough renew the one year at the zero percent increase and take its chances.

A motion was made by Councilman Pellegrino, seconded by Councilman Meyer to renew the Delta Dental for one year at zero percent increase for the Borough employees. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor reported that he had attended the Shrewsbury Homesteaders year end luncheon on June 9th and the monthly Shade Tree Commission meeting on June 11th. Mr. Burden participated in the Shrewsbury Borough School rain garden dedication ceremony on June 14th. He stated that on June 16th he attended the Shrewsbury Borough School commencement exercises and on that same day he attended the Eagle Scout Court of Honor and presented Proclamations to two Eagle Scouts who were receiving their Eagle Scout awards and they were Matthew Pellegrino and Trevor Paul. The Mayor related that on June 18th he attended another Eagle Scout Court of Honor for three Scouts and they were Philip Smith, Samuel Smyth and Daniel Zablocky. On June 17th he had a meeting with Bob Wentway and Ron Neis for some preliminary discussions on the observance of the tenth anniversary of 9/11. The Mayor noted these discussions will be ongoing.

The Mayor announced that there will be no Borough Council meeting on July 5th due to vacations and summer schedules. He announced that the next Council meeting will be on July 18th at which time Freeholder Lillian Burry will attend to present a Proclamation from the Board of Chosen Freeholders to Shrewsbury resident Margaret P. Cosentino who is celebrating her 100th birthday on July 9th. The Mayor stated that there will be a 7:00 PM meeting start time for the next Borough Council meeting of July 18th and to please note that change.

Correspondence

The Clerk deferred to Attorney Barger on a letter received from the New Jersey Libertarian Party. Attorney Barger stated that in the letter received they were questioning the Borough's Ordinance on Peace and Good Order Code. Mr. Barger stated that with the Mayor and Council's permission he will research this and report back on this.

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Councilman Dodge raised the question on the letter received by the Mayor and Council from Michael J. Doherty, Senator of the 23rd Legislative District, in regard to restoring equity into the distribution of state aid to schools across the State of New Jersey. The Council discussed this briefly and the Mayor stated that he has shared this with the Superintendent of Schools and he requested his comments on this letter. He is waiting to hear back from him at this time and so it was decided it would be discussed at the next meeting.

Open Meeting to the Public

A motion was made by Councilman Menapace, 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.

Close Meeting to the Public

Seeing no one wishing to speak a motion was made by Councilman Menapace, seconded by Councilman Pellegrino 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 Dodge to authorize the payment of all bills as submitted by the Chief Financial Officer for \$38,509.72, Councilman Pellegrino questioned the bills list in reference to Syn-Tech Systems, Inc., maintenance agreement which was charged out to various departments. The Council looked through their bills to see if they had the original bill in the bills they were given to approve. The bill was located and it was a yearly charge for a maintenance contract split between various departments. As there were questions by Councilman Pellegrino it was decided that payment of this bill would be held till more clarification could be obtained.

A motion was made by Councilman Pellegrino, seconded by Councilman Meyer to authorize the payment of the adjusted bills list excluding the payment of the bill for Syn-Tech Systems, Inc. for a total of \$37,590.97. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote with all members present voting yes.

Before adjourning Councilman Menapace asked Lt. Ferraro who was still present in the audience to act on the Council's vote and extend job offers to the top two candidates for police officers as soon as possible. Lt. Ferraro responded he would.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn at 8:21 PM was made by Councilman DeNofa, seconded by Councilman Menapace. The motion was approved with all members present voting yes.

Attest: _____
Kathleen P. Krueger, RMC – Municipal Clerk

Approve: _____
Donald Burden, Mayor