# Meeting Called to Order

The public meeting convened at 7:00pm.

### **Presiding Officer's Statement**

In accordance with the requirements of Section 4(a) of C.231, P.L. 1975, the required 48 hour advance notice of this meeting was given by mailing/faxing a copy of the agenda to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times, in addition, to posting on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on March 29, 2018 by the Municipal Clerk.

# **Roll Call**

Present:	Councilman Erik Anderson
	Councilman Jeff DeSalvo
	Councilman Donald Eddy
	Councilwoman Kim Doran Eulner
Also Present:	Peter W. Kenny, Esq., for Martin M. Barger, Borough Attorney
	Thomas X. Seaman, Borough Administrator
	Maureen L. Muttie, Borough Clerk
Absent:	Mayor Donald Burden
	Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian
	Councilman Peter Meyer

# Salute to Flag

Led by Council President Donald Eddy

#### **Consent Agenda**

- Resolution 2018-045 Resolution Applying to New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety for FY17 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) Grant in the Amount of \$12,366.00
- b. Approval for After Hour Work Coach at the Grove

Councilman Anderson motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, EulnerNays:NoneAbstain:None

### Ordinances

# Ordinance No. 2018-1042: Second Reading/Public Hearing

An Ordinance amending the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury by Amending Chapter 118, Fire Prevention

Councilman Anderson explained the amendment to the ordinance is to put our fire inspection fees in line with the fees set by the State – Division of Community Affairs.

# **Open the Meeting to the Public**

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to open the meeting to the public to discuss Ordinance No. 2018-1042, seconded by Councilman Anderson, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

### **Close the Meeting to the Public**

With no one from the public wishing to speak, Councilman Anderson motioned to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

### **Motion to Adopt**

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-1042, seconded by Councilman Anderson, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, EulnerNays:NoneAbstain:None

#### **Administrator's Report**

- Mr. Seaman reported the newsletter will be going out the end of this week.
- Mr. Seaman along with Councilwoman Eulner and Dave Cranmer, Borough Engineer, will meet with the County Planner in Freehold in regards to the proposed WaWa on Newman Springs Road.
- Mr. Seaman added that the Borough Clerk will uniformly collect and submit on a regular basis with the agenda packets the various department monthly reports. If Council would like to add additional reports, Mr. Seaman asked that they inform him.

# **Reports of Council**

Councilman Anderson

- Councilman Anderson reported the Borough has written to the Planning Board of Red Bank and the County advising them of the Borough's concerns of the proposed WaWa at the intersection of Newman Springs Road and Highway 35. Councilman Anderson will be attending a meeting with County Officials to discuss with them our concerns.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian was not present.

### Councilman DeSalvo

- Councilman DeSalvo reported Red Bank Regional is working on their annual budget and will be presenting it on April 25<sup>th</sup>. He further commented that there is definitely a referendum coming; meetings are ongoing and he will report back again on this topic once he has more information.
- In regards to First Aid, Councilman DeSalvo commented that there were 38 calls of which 12 were outgoing mutual aid calls.

# Councilman Eddy

- Councilman Eddy reported he attended a meeting today related to insurance and benefits. He commented there is more work to do as they look at next year's insurance benefits. He expects to compile another "experience report" and potentially take this to other markets.
- Councilman Eddy also report that there is a very large mass casualty drill coming up on April 22<sup>nd</sup> at the Fort with many municipalities participating. If anyone is interested in participating in the drill by being a "victim", please let him know.

Councilwoman Eulner had no report.

Councilman Meyer was not present

Mayor's Report Mayor Burden was not present.

# Correspondence

Municipal Clerk had no correspondence.

# **Open the Meeting to the Public**

Councilman Anderson motioned to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by all Council present.

<u>Marjorie Clark, 213 Garden Road</u> - In reference to commercial properties, Ms. Clark asked for clarification on vacant properties and whether the owners still pay taxes. Councilman Eddy explained that commercial properties are assessed not only on the value of the property itself, but the actual tenancy and the revenue owners are drawing from the tenant. When there is a vacancy the full ratable is reduced, therefore the assessed value is much less.

Ms. Clark also commented that she would like to see the Borough Holidays listed in the newsletter. Mr. Seaman, Borough Administrator explained that the Borough Holidays are listed in the Borough Directory that is mailed out at the beginning of every year. Ms. Clark will stop by Borough Hall and pick up a copy.

<u>Richard Ancas, 81 Silverbrook Road</u> – Mr. Ancas expressed his frustrations over the speeding and the conditions of Silverbrook Road. The road has become a cut-through and with that comes a high noise level. He regularly calls the police regarding the speed and sees no tickets being

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issued and this has been going on year after year. Mr. Ancas also commented on the bad shape of the sidewalks, especially on Highway 35 and the lack of being able to ride a bike safely. Mr. Ancas does not believe the Borough is doing enough to address these issues.

Councilman Anderson explained that the Borough has been working with design professionals, the state, the county and the public. He further stated that there was a safety meeting in February whereby the entire town was invited to come to the council meeting and sit with the Town Engineer, Chief of Police and Captain Calicari to talk about these issues. He further pointed out that the Borough is a "pass through" town involving Highway 35 and Sycamore Avenue. There is also large vehicle traffic using Silverbrook Road, Monroe and Patterson. Councilman Anderson noted that efforts are being made to come up with common sense solutions especially regarding safe routes to school, traffic speed and volume. He explained it is just not as simple as waving a wand and fixing it. He further commented that you need to be careful of not causing cascading effects. If you choose one way to fix it, you need to be concerned if it causes issues elsewhere.

Councilman Eddy commented if you look at the streets and sidewalks the Borough owns, they are all in very good condition. Some roads may need to be worked on and potentially these roads are noted on the capital improvement list. He further noted that unfortunately the one road the Borough doesn't have control over has the worst sidewalks. Mr. Eddy noted it took a ten-year battle with the State just to get Highway 35 paved.

Council Eddy stated that the Police Department will be informed of Mr. Ancas' concerns regarding speed on Silverbrook Road.

<u>QuickChek Representative (*name inaudible*):</u> Inquiring about the 24/7 application before Council. Mr. Eddy explained to him the Council will discuss this request at the next meeting so the affected residents will have notice of the 24/7 operations request and have an opportunity to attend the next meeting. Mr. Eddy also commented that what will be helpful for the next meeting is for QuickChek to provide any information or diagrams of how QuickChek intends to minimize potential issues such as noise and headlights glaring into residences.

# **Close the Meeting to the Public**

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Councilwoman Eulner motioned to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

#### **Payment of the Bills**

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the bills list in the amount of \$1,387,553.07, seconded by Councilman Anderson, and approved by the following vote:

Ayes:Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, EulnerNays:NoneAbstain:None

# Adjourn

Councilman Eddy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm, seconded by Councilman Anderson, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Attest:

Maureen L. Muttie, RMC, CMC Municipal Clerk

Approve:

Donald Burden Mayor April 2, 2018