BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY MUNICIPAL COMPLEX MAYOR & COUNCIL

July 15, 2019

Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and read the Presiding Officer's Statement.

Presiding Officer's Statement

The Notice Requirements provided for in the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by transmission to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times and by posting on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on January 4, 2019 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Councilman Donald Eddy

Councilwoman Kim Doran Eulner Councilman Brendan Gilmartin

Also Present: Mayor Erik Anderson

Bruce Padula, Borough Attorney

Maureen L. Muttie, Clerk/Interim Administrator

Absent: Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian

Councilman Jeff DeSalvo

Salute to Flag Led by Mayor Erik Anderson

Council Vacancy

Mayor Anderson explained that due to moving out of town, Councilman Gilbert has resigned from his seat. The Republican Party, being the majority of the Council, presented three names of individuals for Council to consider for filling the vacancy of Scott Gilbert: Jason Sena, Christopher Allora and Michael Keller.

Councilman Eddy motioned to appoint Jason Sena to the fill the vacancy, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner and Gilmartin.

Nays: None Abstain: None

Mayor Anderson administered the oath of office to Jason Sena.

Approval of Minutes

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the January 7th, January 22nd, May 6th, May 20th and June 17th minutes, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner with ayes by all councilmembers present (with Councilman Gilmartin abstaining from June 17th minutes, Councilman Eddy abstaining from the January 22nd and June 17th minutes and Councilwoman Eulner abstaining from the May 6th minutes).

Discussion and Action

Shrewsbury PBA – Food Truck Festival

Request from Shrewsbury PBA Local #308 for Permission to use Manson Field for the Food Truck Festival Event scheduled for October 12, 2019.

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the Shrewsbury PBA's request, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

<u>Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer Softball Tournament – August 24, 2019</u>

Rich Arabia who organizes "Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer" is requesting to use two fields for their fundraising tournament. The tournament is expected to run from 9:00am -12:00pm on August 24th.

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the request of the "Infinite Love for Kids Fighting Cancer" organization to use two fields on August 24th, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

<u>Harmon – Request for Temporary Waiver of Noise Ordinance</u>

Stephen Lukasiuk, Architectural Project Manager for Harmon at the Grove West, requested Council consider a temporary waiver of *Borough Code Chapter 141 Hours of Operation at Construction Sites*. Mr. Lukasiuk explained due to the nature of the remodeling work scheduled to be done between August and November, it would be more conducive to perform the work at night when customers are not in the store.

Residents who would be affected by this proposed work were invited to attend and they provided their comments and input. The consensus among the residents was they were not in favor of allowing the proposed work to be conducted at night as it would affect the quality of their lives.

Mr. Lukasiuk was asked to come back with a more specific plan and to also reach out to our Borough Engineer, Dave Cranmer, to see if a workable schedule could be done which would minimize noise level. Also, Bruce Padula, Borough Attorney, is confirming whether Council has the authority to waive the noise ordinance.

Consent Agenda

Resolution 2019-096 Resolution of the Borough of Shrewsbury Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with an Administrative Agent for the Administration of Rehabilitation Program

Resolution 2019-097 Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Improvements to

Samara and Birch Drives

Resolution 2019-098 Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Property

Resolution 2019-099 Amending Resolution 2019-088 Setting the Salary Ranges of Certain Job Titles for the Year 2019

Resolution 2019-100 Resolution Hiring Seasonal Laborer – Department of Public Works

Resolution 2019-101 Resolution Hiring Part-Time Summer Office Floater

Resolution 2019-102 Resolution Hiring Part-Time Cleaning Person

Resolution 2019-103 Resolution Approving the Bill List for July 15, 2019 and Authorizing Payment of Bills

Councilman Eddy requested Resolution 2019-099 be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the Consent Agenda except for Resolution 2019-099, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

In reference to Resolution 2019-099, Councilman Eddy inquired what items changed on the salary ranges. Councilman Eulner explained that the crossing guard rate has changed from an hourly rate to a per diem rate in order to be more competitive and attract more applicants for crossing guard positions.

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to approve Resolution 2019-099, seconded by Councilman Gilmartin.

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

Ordinances – Second Reading/Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 2019-1065: An Ordinance of the Borough of Shrewsbury in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey Amending and Supplementing Chapter 90, Article X, Section 90-26, Schedule VIII, "Stop Intersections" of the Borough Code

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public for comments.

Close the Floor to the Public

Seeing no one from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Anderson closed the floor to the public.

Motion to Adopt

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-1065, seconded by Councilman Gilmartin and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

Reports of Council

<u>Councilman DeSalvo</u> (Councilwoman Eulner provided report on Councilman DeSalvo's behalf)

- Summer camp is in full swing and will end this week.
- Recreation baseball and lacrosse has ended, and recreation is preparing for the upcoming soccer season which begins in August.
- Brush pickup resulted in 410 yards. Metal pickup in the last four weeks resulted in 5,380 lbs.
- Several streets signs are being installed on White Road, Patterson and most likely Samara.
- The garbage truck continues to have issues and will be looked at by the end of the week.
- The courtyard was professionally sprayed for weed control out front.
- The Wardell House contractor has been notified to do a Spring cleanup of the site.
- DPW Manager is obtaining quotes for painting contractors and tree contractors.
- Compost is getting removed for Sickles this week in return for materials.

Councilman Eddy

- Tax notices are going out soon. Regarding the letter that was attached with each tax bill, Councilman Eddy asked Council for any suggestions of adjustments for next year's letter.

Councilwoman Eulner

- In June, First Aid had 57 calls. Fire had 16 fire calls. 51.75 man-hours and extra meetings for a total of 82.25 man-hours for the month.
- Councilwoman Eulner reported the Fire Department is asking to purchase thermal imaging cameras. There is a special to purchase them if five are purchased the sixth is free. These cameras clip over their coats, so it would be hands-free. The Fire

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Department is requesting \$2,055 from their Capital Budget, with the remaining funds coming from donations.

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to approve the Fire Department's request to purchase thermal imaging cameras, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

- Based on the advice of Arborists and Bill Gerth, there are three large ash trees located on the Park Avenue island that must be removed.

After discussion among council, Councilwoman Eulner recommends approving the lowest quote which was received from Brummer's for \$4,500 to remove these trees which includes grinding the stumps, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

- Based on the recommendation of Borough Engineer, Dave Cranmer, aerating of Patterson Park needs to be completed. This has not been done in a long time.

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to accept the proposal from Sycamore Landscaping to aerate and treat areas of clay compaction at Patterson Ball Park for \$2,080.00, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena

Nays: None Abstain: None

- Shrewsbury Borough Community Garden had an open house last weekend and it was attended by many local master gardeners.

Councilman Gilmartin

- Summer camp is running very smoothly; there have been no complaints or issues. Summer camp will wrap up at the end of this week.
- Recreation is getting ready for fall soccer; registration is open.
- Councilman Gilmartin gave a shout-out to the Two River Little League West All Star Team who won the District 19 Championship. Six players represented Shrewsbury on that team: Christopher Doody, Declan Doogan, Joseph Henry, Will Galligan, Casey Lillis and Nick Blahut. Councilman Gilmartin congratulates them on their fine achievement.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Anderson reported JCP&L is undertaking an enhance maintenance project approved by the BPU. This is a \$300 million program of which \$50 million is dedicated to forestry operations. As part of this project, Patterson Avenue has trees marked for removal. JCP&L pays for tree removal but does not grind stumps. Several residents have opted not to have their tree removed but will allow for pruning of their trees, which is their right. Mayor Anderson further commented that if down the road, it will be the resident's responsibility if something happens to their tree. If a tree is not on one of the Borough parks, it is not the Borough's tree or the Borough's responsibility.
- Mayor Anderson commented that a few weeks ago a microburst rolled through town. The Fire Department, First Aid, Police, DPW and OEM all did what they were supposed to do and did it very, very well. Mayor Anderson commented the volunteers did a great job and they should be commended for that.

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public.

Stu Minis, 35 Thomas Avenue – Mr. Minis expressed his views on banning plastic bags and commented on the surrounding towns that are in the process of banning them. Mr. Minis encourages Council to consider doing the same.

Close the Floor to the Public

Seeing no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Anderson closed the floor to the public.

Motion to Move into Executive Session - No Action Will be Taken After

Councilman Eddy motioned to move into executive session at 8:34pm, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner, with ayes by all Councilmembers present.