

**BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX
MAYOR & COUNCIL**

May 20, 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: Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian
Councilman Donald Eddy
Councilwoman Kim Doran Eulner
Councilman Scott Gilbert
Councilman Brendan Gilmartin

Also Present: Mayor Erik Anderson
Bruce Padula, Borough Attorney
Maureen L. Muttie, Clerk/Interim Administrator

Absent: Councilman Jeff DeSalvo

Salute to Flag

Led by Mayor Erik Anderson

Commendations:

Mayor Erik Anderson made the following statement:

We take the opportunity to recognize five members of the Shrewsbury Police Department who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to serving and protecting our town. Everyone in this room recognizes that we have one of the best Police Departments in the state of New Jersey. Our officers not only protect our town but are continually involved with our community. Whether it's interacting with our children on any given day in the streets, checking on the well being of a neighbor, participating in school events, being visible to many businesses and hosting great events such as National Night Out and the Food Truck Festival, our officers represent what makes Shrewsbury great. A dedication to the community. Your relationship between the Police Department and other Departments in the Borough exemplifies how community precincts should operate. Whether it be with DPW, First Responders, our Municipal Government or the school, the Department is always stepping up and looking for ways to work as a team. This is only possible because of the efforts of Chief Turner and his leadership team. And for that I thank you on behalf of the town. The Council is proud of each and every officer who serves Shrewsbury; however, it is fitting to honor those who has stepped up and gone the extra mile in service of our town. This evening we honor five officers whose actions have better the children

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of our town, stopped a criminal enterprise, and apprehended a suspect with bomb making materials. Shrewsbury is safer and better because of your actions. On behalf of our Council and on behalf of our town, thank you very much.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian commented the Borough is very fortunate to have this group of Police Officers. She has the privilege of being on the Police Committee and as Police Chair she is impressed with what this group of Police Officers have done to keep the town safe. Councilwoman DerAsadourian asked Chief Turner to present the commendations.

Chief Turner presented the following the awards:

Distinguished Citation Award

Det. Sgt. Ramsey
Patrolwoman. Rumola
Patrolman Barnicle
Patrolman DeCristofaro

Exceptional Duty Award

Patrolman Marrero
Patrolman Barnicle

Gallantry Star

Patrolman DeCristofaro

Public Participation

White Street – Pedestrian Safety Improvements

Councilwoman DerAsadourian opened this discussion with an overview of Safe Routes to School and the purpose of tonight's discussion. Letters were sent to residents regarding safe routes to school. She recapped on completed projects: Paving a path at the Heritage Constitution neighborhood for a safe passageway for the children, signs were striped on Birch Street to make the curve safer, an Ordinance was passed regarding 20mph hour signs that were put out to reduce the speed limit when children are present. There will also be signs that flash if the speed limit is exceeded on White Street and Patterson Avenue. Ordinances were passed regarding projects on Obre and Monroe to reduce cut-through traffic.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian also thanked Walter Huresky who is stepping down as the Chairman for Safe Routes to School Committee.

She stated that White Street is a corridor to the elementary school that funnels a lot of traffic to the school. She stated that they are looking to gather thoughts and concerns regarding the overall street improvement on White Street.

David Cranmer, Borough Engineer explained we are in the scoping phase of the capital improvement project to improve traffic and pedestrian safety to White Street. He stated that they are about three years

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ahead on the implementation of the project. He added that there will be a dramatic impact to the residents of White Street and surrounding streets and are looking at ideas from the community on how to slow the traffic and present ideas on possible changes to the current infrastructure. He remarked that they have already taken some initial steps in this regard, such as reducing the speed limit to 20mph when children are present. He added that they would like to hear from the residents that are familiar with White Street with a scope of improvements so they can put together a preliminary concept plan and get some initial feedback.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian stated that she received an email from one of the residents to possibly place a 4-way stop sign to help slow the traffic. She then opened the discussion to the public.

Janet Dill, 115 White Street - She inquired what specific issues are going on regarding White Street. Mr. Cranmer stated they want to make the roadway geometrically safe, comfortable to drive on and have enough space for pedestrians. To make the street as safe as possible. Mrs. Dill stated that people don't pay attention and speed through. She added that they also use it as a bypass for traffic at Sycamore and Route 35. She questioned how the 20mph would be enforced? She also questioned whether White Street can withstand the traffic. She remarked that when the driveways were done, the resulting pathways were not conducive to walking and riding a bicycle; that it's not stable and even. Mr. Cranmer agreed that there are challenges to this situation. He added that when those improvements were done, the federal body of ADA regulations that need to be considered today didn't exist then. She inquired whether there's a safety issue ending the sidewalk at the street. She stated that there's about a 10 feet area of grass between the sidewalk and the street and inquired whether that area could be eliminated. Mr. Cranmer stated that they like to keep the sidewalk separated from the street. He added that the DOT pedestrian standard is about 3 feet and that they like to keep the area clear in case there's a runaway car. He stated that they want to widen the buffer as much as they can, but they have so many competing interests and very limited room.

Michael Maier, 174 White Street – Mr. Maier stated that since there's been an increase in the recycling pickups, he feels the children who ride bicycles are forced by default to ride in the street. The trash cans are in the street and on the sidewalk, so there's no room and they are causing the children to steer onto the street while riding their bicycles.

Walter Huresky, 319 Sycamore Avenue – Mr. Huresky stated that he supports the Safe Routes to School program. He added that over the years, they've done a lot of surveys and received lot of feedback from parents on why they feel Broad Street is unsafe. It's a very small corridor, yet one of the most trafficked for kids walking and bicycling to school. He added the sidewalks on White Street are very narrow and proposed that discussing with residents and trash contractor on removing the trash cans from the sidewalks could help prevent the children from having to walk in the street. He inquired why the cans couldn't be placed in the street.

Mayor Anderson inquired whether there's an ordinance pertaining to this issue. Ron Neis, DPW Manager responded that the new trash contract states that all trash can must be on the property, not the street. He added that he would double check the contract, but he reiterated that the whole corridor must have the trash can onto the property, not the curb or the sidewalks.

(inaudible – person's name) - Commented Bagel Masters Shopping Center has no sidewalk or official bike lane. He also recommended blocking off the whole passageway to just a one-way walking or biking path before and after school.

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(inaudible – person's name) - Commented that we should communicate directly with the parents to slow down.

(inaudible – person's name) - Questioned whether it's feasible to close local traffic from 7:45 to 8:30. Mr. Cranmer stated it is not possible because of businesses in the plaza.

(inaudible – person's name) - Commented there are issues also for coming home. Her suggestion is there should not be any parking on white Street from 7am to 7pm. She thinks you could narrow the street and expand the aprons and sidewalks for bikes. Or bikes on one side of the street and walkers on the other side. The sidewalk on Obre street is in bad shape.

Tom Menapace, 74 Robinson Place – Mr. Menapace believes the problem is speed. Redirect traffic to Sycamore. Create incentive for people to use that street. He discourages bike lanes. He feels streets are too narrow. Riding the sidewalks not a good solution.

(inaudible – person's name) - Commented even one 4-way stop would help. There are parts of the sidewalk on White Street that is not conducive to bike riding. It's bad shape, uneven, etc.

(inaudible – person's name) - Asked about flashing 25mph sign status? Cars parked on White Street prevent other cars from seeing pedestrians and children.

Patrick, 102 White Street - Commented Eatontown has speed bumps, which he feels causes more damage. Doesn't want to advocate for speed bumps. Speeding is not just certain times, it's 7 days a week, with UPS, FedEx, etc. not just residents. With the trash cans, it's not just the residents, but the trash collectors.

(inaudible – person's name) - Commented garbage recycling is inconsistent. Residents trying to get around the trucks poses an issue on a small street, especially when children are trying to get to school. Perhaps speed limit signs could go on north end of street. The other end is too narrow. Doesn't think speed bumps is the answer. Crossing guards should control the flow in smaller, more frequent waves. There is a large telephone pole at the bagel masters parking lot which imposes dangers.

Mayor Anderson thanked everyone for coming this evening and for providing their input.

Minutes

February 4th and 19th

March 4th and 18th

April 1st and 15th

Resolutions

Resolution 2019-076 Awarding Contract for the Improvements to Obre Place to S. Batata Construction Inc.

Resolution 2019-077 Resolution Requesting a Six-Month Extension of Time from the New Jersey Department of Transportation to Award the Construction Contract for Improvements to Obre Place (Fiscal Year 2017 Municipal Aid Grant)

Consent Agenda

Resolution 2019-078 Approval to Conduct Block Party on Patterson Court – (June)

Resolution 2019-079 Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Overpayment of Taxes – Block 28 Lot 44.05

Resolution 2019-080 Resolution Waiving Municipal Raffle License Fee – Shrewsbury Education Foundation

Resolution 2019-081 Resolution Approving the Bill List for May 20, 2019 and Authorizing Payment of Bills

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Combined Approval of Minutes, Resolutions and Consent Agenda

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the Minutes, Resolutions and Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Gilbert and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: Eulner abstained on April 1st Meeting Minutes

Ordinances – Introduction/First Reading

Ordinance No. 2019-1062: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Police Equipment for the Shrewsbury Police Department and Appropriating \$35,000 therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$33,250.00 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the Costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey

Councilwoman DerAsadourian motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-1062, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner. The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Ordinance No. 2019-1063: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Acquisition of Fire Equipment for the Shrewsbury Hose Company No. 1 and Appropriating \$48,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$45,600 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-1063, seconded by Councilwoman DerAsadourian. The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Ordinance No. 2019-1064: Bond Ordinance Providing for the Improvements to the Shrewsbury Municipal Complex and Appropriating \$20,000.00 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$19,000.00 Bonds and Notes to Finance a Portion of the costs Thereof, Authorized in and by the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey

Councilman Eddy motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 2019-1064, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner. The motion was approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

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Ordinances – Second Reading/Public Hearing

Ordinance No. 2019-1058: An Ordinance Adding Section 94-11 To Chapter 94 (Development Regulations) In the Shrewsbury Borough Code, Which Will Be Entitled “Affordable Housing Ordinance”, And Will Address the Requirements of The Fair Housing Act And The Uniform Housing Affordability Controls (UHAC) Regarding Compliance With The Borough’s Affordable Housing Obligations

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public to discuss Ordinance No. 2019-1058.

Close the Floor to the Public

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

Motion to Adopt

Councilman Eddy motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-1058, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Ordinance No. 2019-1059: An Ordinance Amending the Chapter 94, Land Use and Development, of the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey by Amending the AH-MF-8 Affordable Housing Multi-Family Overlay Zone District and to amend the Zoning Map to Include AH-MF-8 Zone to Facilitate the Provision of Affordable Housing in the Borough

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public to discuss Ordinance No. 2019-1059.

Alice Russo – Regarding 621 Shrewsbury Avenue she inquired whether there are any diagrams/plans for the structure and whether they’re achievable based on the various constraints. Mr. Cranmer stated that there no design plans for any particular site. Strategies have been mapped out to provide reasonable opportunities for inclusionary development and put in controls to limit any sprawling development. She had concerns regarding the numbers were achievable, given the setbacks and configuration. Mr. Cranmer stated it would depend on the specifics of the proposed site. He emphasized the Ordinance was broad enough as well as specific enough so the result would be well integrated into the surrounding land use pattern. He added that these are modifications to the existing ordinances to provide additional reasonable opportunities as well as controls. The court has reviewed them and found them to be acceptable.

Close the Floor to the Public

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

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Motion to Adopt

Councilwoman Eulner motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-1059, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Ordinance No. 2019-1060: An Ordinance Amending the Chapter 94, Land Use and Development, of the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey by Modifying the AH-MU Zone to Facilitate the Provision of Affordable Housing in the Borough.

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public to discuss Ordinance No. 2019-1060.

Close the Floor to the Public

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

Motion to Adopt

Councilman Eddy motioned to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-1060, seconded by Councilman Gilbert and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Discussion and Action

Lift, Trees, Summer Help

On behalf of Councilman DeSalvo, Councilman Gilbert reported that three quotes were received to replace the DPW vehicle lift. The lowest quote was received from Rotary Lift for \$8,710.95.

Councilman Gilbert motioned to approve the purchase of the vehicle lift from Rotary Lift for \$8,710.95, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Councilman Gilbert motioned to approve up to \$3,850.00 for tree removal and stump grinding, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

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Councilman Gilbert motioned to approve the advertising for DPW summer help, seconded by Councilwoman Eulner and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: DerAsadourian, Eddy, Eulner, Gilbert and Gilmartin
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Reports of Council

Councilwoman DerAsadourian had no additional comments or report.

Councilman Eddy

Councilman Eddy commented it is EMS Week and if you see a First Aider, thank them for their service.

Councilwoman Doran Eulner had no additional comments or report.

Councilman Scott Gilbert had no additional comments or report.

Councilman Brendan Gilmartin

- Councilman Gilmartin commented the weather has been cooperating somewhat and some baseball and softball games are being played.
- Summer Camp is getting ready to start June 24th at Sickles Park.

Mayor's Report

- Mayor Anderson complimented DPW for doing a great job with the baseball fields despite all the rain

Clerk/Administrator's Report

Ms. Muttie had no report.

Open the Floor to the Public

Mayor Anderson opened the floor to the public.

Stuart Minis, 35 Thomas Avenue – (*Inaudible*)

Close the Floor to the Public

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

Adjourn

Councilman Eddy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:47pm, seconded by Councilman Gilbert, with ayes by all Councilmembers present.

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Attest: Maureen L. Muttie
Maureen L. Muttie, RMC, CMC
Municipal Clerk

Approve: Erik Anderson
Erik Anderson
Mayor