

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

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

Meeting Called to Order

Council President Eulner called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and read the Presiding Officer's Statement.

Sunshine 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 8, 2020 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Councilman Don Eddy
Councilwoman Kim Doran Eulner
Councilman Brendan Gilmartin
Councilman Jason Sena

Also Present: Bruce Padula, Borough Attorney
Maureen L. Muttie, Clerk/Administrator

Absent: Mayor Erik Anderson
Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian
Councilman Jeff DeSalvo

Salute to Flag

Led by Council President Eulner.

Approval of Minutes

The July 6th and July 20th minutes are carried to the next Council Meeting.

Consent Agenda

Councilman Sena motioned to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Councilman Gilmartin, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin and Sena
Nays: None
Abstain: None

**RESOLUTION 2020-112 - RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUED FUNDING
FOR RED BANK REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOLS "THE SOURCE" PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, The Source is a school-based youth services program that has been part of Red Bank Regional High School for 20 years and

WHEREAS, the Source is committed to supporting the mental health, well-being, and educational success of all students and has worked to build public and private partnerships to ensure quality services that are effective, culturally appropriate and responsive to the diverse, changing needs of students and their communities which is accomplished through best practices in comprehensive counseling services, prevention programming, advocacy, academic support, employment services, family engagement, basic need fulfillment, free public education/forums, and collaboration with community partners.

WHEREAS, the Source has been recognized as a model program by the New Jersey State Department of Children and Families for the high level of services they supply and the impact they have made in the community.

WHEREAS, they are funded by a grant through the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Division of Family and Community Partnerships, the Red Bank Regional Board of Education, and the Source Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the loss of state funding would have a severe impact on the students, families, and the Red Bank Regional High School community and the critical access to services that are currently provided would be lost; and

WHEREAS, these services, which have become embedded in the community for 20 years, would be taken away which would leave the students, families, and the Shrewsbury Borough community without consistent in-school access to mental health, well-being, and educational services.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury strongly supports The Source Program at Red Bank Regional High School and urge our legislators to always consider the importance of this vital program and the critical service it provides to students and families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Red Bank Regional High School, the Borough of Little Silver, the Borough of Red Bank, State Senator Vin Gopal, Assemblywoman Joann Downey and Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling.

**RESOLUTION 2020-113 - RESOLUTION HIRING A FILL-IN DISPATCHER IN
THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has the need for and has requested the hire of a Fill-In Dispatcher; and

WHEREAS, Chief Turner has interviewed and recommended the hiring of at a rate of \$11.00 per hour during training and upon completion of training, \$15.00 per hour to cover shifts, as recommended by the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for same.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that Karen Dougherty be hired as a Fill-In Dispatcher at a rate of \$11.00 per hour during training and \$15.00 per hour upon completion of training, and working individually, effective September 21, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be given to the Chief Financial Officer.

**RESOLUTION 2020-114 - RESOLUTION HIRING A FILL-IN DISPATCHER IN
THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE**

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has the need for and has requested the hire of a Fill-In Dispatcher; and

WHEREAS, Chief Turner has interviewed and recommended the hiring of at a rate of \$11.00 per hour during training and upon completion of training, \$15.00 per hour to cover shifts, as recommended by the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for same.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that Rose Maletto be hired as a Fill-In Dispatcher at a rate of \$11.00 per hour during training and \$15.00 per hour upon completion of training, and working individually, effective September 21, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be given to the Chief Financial Officer.

**RESOLUTION 2020-115 - AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-102 SETTING THE
SALARY SCHEDULES OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
FOR THE YEAR 2020**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury has certain employees named herein not covered by collective bargaining agreements; and

WHEREAS, these employees need to be compensated for the performance of their duties; and

WHEREAS, the compensation proposed for the employee's positions fall within the salary ranges as amended and approved by the Council on July 15, 2019; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury, that the employees listed herein be paid according to this schedule.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer.

**RESOLUTION 2020-116 - RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILL LIST FOR
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury received certain claims against it by way of voucher in the amount of \$1,317,611.21 for the period ending September 21, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the aforementioned claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the attached claims are hereby approved for payment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be given to the Chief Financial Officer.

Ordinances – Introduction/First Reading:

Ordinance No. 2020-1076: An Ordinance Adopting and Codifying the Zoning and Land Development Ordinance as Chapter 94 of the Code of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey

Council President Eulner reported that at the Planning Board Meeting on September 16, 2020, it was approved to forward Chapter 94 with no objections to the Council for their approval.

Motion to Introduce

Councilman Sena motioned to introduce Ordinance No. 2020-1076, seconded by Councilman Eddy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eddy, Eulner, Gilmartin, Sena

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Discussion and Action

Facilities Use Requests:

Councilman Gilmartin reviewed the Facilities Use Requests with Council:

- The Red Bank Catholic Tennis Team has requested to use Sickles Park Tennis Courts from 09/23/2020 – 10/23/2020 from 3:15pm until 5:30pm on Mondays and Wednesdays for tennis matches and practices. All proper paperwork has been submitted. There were no objections from the Council.
- The RBFC Hurricanes has requested use of Manson Park on Fridays, 9/4/2020 – 11/20/2020 from 4:15pm to 5:45pm and Sickles Park on Wednesdays, 9/2/2020 – 11/28/2020 from 4:15pm to 5:45pm. Eight of the thirteen players are Shrewsbury residents. All proper paperwork has been submitted. There were no objections from the Council.
- The New Jersey Youth Soccer has requested use of Manson Park soccer facilities from 9/3/2020 – 11/30/2020 from 4:30pm to 7:30pm for soccer practices. Councilman Gilmartin explained that unfortunately, this request conflicts with other activities already scheduled for these dates and times. The requester will be contacted to see if other days and times at a different location would be an option.

NJ State Firemen's Association – Application for Membership (Tyler)

- Councilman Gilmartin reported an application was received for Noelle Tyler. Ms. Tyler has previously served on the Shrewsbury Fire Police and is now looking to join the Shrewsbury Fire Department. Ms. Tyler has met all the qualifications as well as all the conditions needed to serve. Councilman Gilmartin recommended the approval of Ms. Tyler's application and Council concurred.

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Reports of Council

Councilwoman DerAsadourian

Not present this evening.

Councilman DeSalvo

Not present this evening.

Councilman Eddy

- Councilman Eddy reported brush will be picked up until the end of October and possibly another brush pickup in January. The schedule for brush pickup for next year is being worked on. Leaves will be picked up during November and December.

Councilwoman Doran Eulner

- Councilwoman Eulner reported at its last meeting the Planning Board reviewed Chapter 94 and it was forwarded to Council with no comments for introduction this evening. The next Planning Board Meeting will be October 21, 2020.
- The Shrewsbury Community Garden Meeting was held on September 14th but unfortunately Councilwoman Eulner was unable to attend. The next meeting will be held on October 12th.

Councilman Gilmartin

- Councilman Gilmartin reported this past weekend was the first weekend for recreation soccer and everything went very smooth.
- A new pitcher's mound is coming to Sickles Park and everyone who uses our baseball facilities is very excited about that.

Councilman Sena

- Councilman Sena reported although he has no report directly from the Environmental Commission, he commented he did see a bill banning many types of single use plastics on the assembly agenda. Councilman Sena will continue to follow this bill and provide an update accordingly.
- Councilman Sena will be reaching out to the CFO within the next sixty days to start the budget process for next year.

Mayor's Report

Not present this evening.

Clerk/Administrator's Report

Ms. Muttie had no report.

Open the Floor to the Public

Councilwoman Eulner opened the floor to the public.

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Stu Minis, 35 Thomas Avenue – Mr. Minis asked whether extending the school zone will have influence on having the speed limit reduced on Highway 35. Council Eddy commented unfortunately Councilwoman DerAsadourian is not present this evening to give her update on this topic, but Councilman Eddy did explain the only jurisdiction the Borough has is on roads that are not state highways. He will check further with Councilwoman DerAsadourian on the status, but Councilman Eddy added that it will be a challenge to have the speed limit reduced on Highway 35. Mr. Minis asked regarding the brush collection schedule, how will people be notified. Councilman Eddy replied the two avenues to getting the message out will be through the Website and Civic Ready. Mr. Minis inquired about tax collection for this year. Councilman Sena answered the tax collection rate is in line with what was collected last year. Mr. Minis asked how the school is functioning with the challenges of Covid-19. Councilman Sena explained the school implemented two cohorts Monday through Thursday with virtual learning on Fridays. Councilman Sena has not heard specifically of any issues. Councilman Gilmartin commented from a parent's perspective, it was a little chaotic in the beginning and it is a real challenge for working parents. Councilman Gilmartin's concern and hope is the children are getting a full curriculum so that they are not falling behind. Superintendent McConnell is under a lot of pressure to try to do all he can to ensure there is a full curriculum and hopes he achieves that. Mr. Minis inquired about curfew for Halloween and whether it has changed considering Covid-19. Councilman Sena commented the curfew is set by ordinance and there are currently no changes at this point. Mr. Minis asked for an Eagle Scout Project update at Ester Hymer. Councilwoman Eulner replied they are moving forward. Letters were sent to residents who live nearby to inform them of the pending work and that disturbances will be kept to a minimum. The project is expected to be completed by end of October. DPW and the Borough Engineer have provided much guidance to the scouts. Mr. Minis asked about the minutes when will they be updated. Councilwoman Eulner explained there was an issue that came up and the minutes will be completed as soon as possible. Mr. Minis expressed his opinion that it was inappropriate to have the resolution opposing mail in ballot under the Consent Agenda at the last meeting. Councilman Sena commented it was ultimately voted on separately.

Amanda Ngo, 118 Borden Street – Ms. Ngo inquired about having a crosswalk put in on White Street at Borden Street. She explained there are approximately 15 school age children who live on Borden Street and they cross over to and from the south side of White Street. Councilman Eddy responded we are applying for grants for improvements to White Street. This is planned for next summer, but much planning needs to go into it. Input from the public is important and residents will be invited to a meeting for their input. Regarding Halloween, Ms. Ngo suggested having a way for homes to indicate whether they are participating in Halloween and suggested that the town reiterate that trick or treaters need to wear masks and follow safety guidelines.

Marge Clark, 213 Garden Road – Mrs. Clark inquired about the status of slowing down traffic on certain roads. Councilman Eddy commented that the Chief of Police is doing traffic study on each of the streets in order to study traffic patterns and speed. This study will be done twice a year. Councilman Eddy explained this will help us figure out where the problem areas are and try to do enforcement in those areas. Mrs. Clark also expressed her concerns with the mail in ballot and whether the post office is reliable. Mr. Padula explained we can't speak on behalf of the post office but there are other options for dropping off mail-in ballots.

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Close the Floor to the Public

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

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

Attest: 

Maureen L. Muttie, Municipal Clerk

Approve: 

Erik Anderson, Mayor