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Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Kim 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, 2025, by the Deputy Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present:

Councilman Jim Daly

Councilwoman Deidre DerAsadourian

Councilman Daniel Levy Councilman Chris McAvoy

Also, Present:

Kim Doran Eulner, Mayor

Michael Manning, Esq. Borough Attorney Mark Regan, Jr., Borough Administrator

Kerry Quinn, Municipal Clerk

Absent:

Councilman Donald Eddy

Councilwoman Devon Morton

Salute to Flag:

Lead by Mayor Eulner and ARC of Monmouth Residents

ARC of Monmouth

Deidre, from the ARC of Monmouth, addressed the audience, expressing gratitude for the opportunity to use the community garden. Deidre noted that the experience had been amazing and that some group members were present to share their updates and experiences. Deidre then thanked the audience again before turning the floor over to another speaker.

Carly, from the WRAP program at the ARC of Monmouth, explained the origins of the group's gardening book. The book was designed and created by participants of the Work Readiness Achievement Program, or RAF, which helps individuals with disabilities gain valuable vocational and pre-vocational skills necessary for employment. She asked the audience to hold all questions until the end of the presentations and then presented the audience with a copy of the book. She also thanked the Shrewsbury Community Garden for allowing them to plant in their space. Carly concluded by sharing her two favorite things from the book: blueberries, because the bigger they are, the sweeter they are, and lavender, because of its sweet smell. She again reminded everyone to hold all questions until the end before inviting the next speaker up.

Molly, also with the WRAP program at the ARC of Monmouth County, explained that the book teaches how to properly plant and maintain various plants. She mentioned strawberries as an example, noting that they need a full day of sunlight and one to two inches of water per week, depending on the climate. Molly also mentioned "better blood," clarifying that it requires the same care as strawberries. She concluded by stating that she has really enjoyed the garden.

Alana, another member of the WRAP program, stated that the book provides instructions on planting various vegetables, such as carrots and broccoli. She explained that carrots need six to eight hours of sunlight per day and that

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broccoli requires about one to two inches of water per week. Alana said that they grow the vegetables in the garden but that she most enjoys eating them.

Ethan Shenon took the podium to share information about bell peppers and tomatoes, both of which were planted in their garden. He noted that both vegetables require six to eight hours of sunlight per day and one to two inches of water weekly. Ethan explained that bell peppers are ready for harvest between July and September when they are firm to the touch, while tomatoes are best picked in the early morning, starting in mid-to-late August.

Alex Jofon, also with the WRAP program at the Arc of Monmouth, explained that the acronym stands for Work Readiness Achievement Program. He said that the group created the gardening book and that it took them a month and a half to complete. Alex listed the skills used to create the book: teamwork, research, public speaking, and project development. He expressed that the group enjoyed the process, learned a lot, and is now using this knowledge in their community garden. He thanked the audience for their time and opened the floor for questions. Following the presentation, a councilor asked if anyone had any questions for the group.

Pam MacNeil from the Community Garden welcomed the Arc of Monmouth to the Community Garden, and thanked them for their dedication and interest in the garden. All members of the garden are in agreement that the Arc of Monmouth is a great addition.

Deidre began by expressing her admiration for Dave the in the program, stating that despite not having received any instructions, he was doing an "awesome job." She added that he would often spend several hours at her home after his shifts. The speaker described him as a great fit for her family, and that although she is a direct service professional, she is not currently working. She is able to spend her days at home, and she described the person she cares for as lovely, young, and kind. She then questioned whether people like him should be tired, good, and part of the community. The speaker then expressed her love for old times and old things, thanking the audience. She noted that their group is composed of different kinds of teams and that she enjoys speaking with them. She feels that their shared experiences and knowledge, particularly in the garden, are an important way to learn. The speaker emphasized that the experience has been a "very beautiful" one for them, helping them improve their gardening skills. The audience responded with laughter, applause, and music.

Mayor Eulner thanked the Arc of Monmouth for attending the meeting

Consent Agenda

Councilman Daly motioned to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Councilman McAvoy and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Daly, Levy, and McAvoy

Nays: None Abstain: None

RESOLUTION 2025-089 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A TEMPORARY PURCHASING AGENT

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:32-4.4 establishes the criteria for appointing a Temporary Purchasing Agent for a period of one (1) year when there is a vacancy in the position of Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, due to the retirement of the Qualified Purchasing Agent, there is a vacancy in the position of QPA.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury hereby appoints Mark Regan, Jr. to fill the vacancy of Temporary Purchasing Agent for a period of one (1) year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mark Regan, Jr. is required to successfully complete the required courses and State QPA Examination to obtain the certification as a Qualified Purchasing Agent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough Clerk is authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION 2025-090 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETURN OF ESCROW FUNDS

PROPERTY OWNER: 735 BROAD STREET PROPERTY LOCATION: BLOCK 40, LOT 17

735 Broad Street

WHEREAS, the above-named applicant previously posted, pursuant to the provision of the Municipal Land Use Law and Borough Ordinances, escrow funds for professional services to insure proper review of installations; and,

WHEREAS, said professional services for escrow review have been completed; and,

WHERAS, the Chief Financial Officer has received correspondence from the Borough Engineer recommending the return of the unused escrow funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. That the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized to effectuate the return of the unused escrow funds to the property owner in the amount of \$3,699.72 (E-12-2-76)
- 2. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Borough Clerk to each of the following:
 - a.) Borough Engineer
 - b.) Chief Financial Officer
 - c.) Land Use Administrative Agent
 - d.) Property Owner

RESOLUTION 2025-091 RESOLUTION WAIVING FOOD INSPECTION PERMIT FEE FOR SUMMER CONCERT SERIES EVENT

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury does hereby waive the Food Inspection Permit Fee of \$54.00 for the Summer Concert Series of 2025.

RESOLUTION 2025-092 AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT BLOCK PARTY- PADDINGTON FARMS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury does hereby approve the request for a block party to be held on Dorchester Way on Friday, June 20, 2025 as noted in a phone call received on May 26th, 2025 from resident Marissa McCormick.

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RESOLUTION 2025-093 RESOLUTION TO HIRE SUMMER CAMP DIRECTOR FOR THE 2025 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury Recreation Committee will sponsor a summer day camp program; and

WHEREAS, the program will be held at the Sickles Park from Monday, June 30th through Friday, July 25th, 2025 (closed on July 4th for the Holiday), from 9:00am to 12:00pm; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation of the Borough Administrator is to hire the Karen Fordham as the Camp Director.

Title	Name	Salary
Summer Camp Director	Karen Fordham	\$3,950.00 (Total Salary)

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the salary set above for the summer Recreation Camp Director for the year 2025 be approved.

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

RESOLUTION 2025-094 A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES OF THE BOROUGH

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor of the Borough of Shrewsbury, that the following Board and Commission appointments be made with the advice and consent of the Borough Council:

Recreation Commission

NAME	TERM/YRS	EXPIRES
Jayne Colford	Unexpired term 3	12/31/27

RESOLUTION 2025-095 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury has received notice of an award of \$7,441.37 from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and wishes to amend the 2025 Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$7,441.37.

Which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services:

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State and Federal Revenues Off-set with Appropriations: 2025 NJ Department of Environmental Protection-Recycling Tonnage Grant

\$ 7,441.37

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of.....

\$ 7,441.37

be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of: General Appropriations:

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-Set by Revenues:

2025 NJ Department of Environmental Protection –

Recycling Tonnage Grant

\$ 7,441.37

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Officer will electronically file the Budget Amendment Certification Form and resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

RESOLUTION 2025-096 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEM OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury has received notice of an award of \$11,354.44 from New Jersey Clean Communities under the Clean Communities Grant and wishes to amend the 2025 Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$11,354.44.

Which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services:

State and Federal Revenues Off-set with Appropriations:

2025 New Jersey Clean Communities Grant

\$ 11,354.44

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-Set by

Revenues:

2025 New Jersey Clean Communities Grant

\$ 11,354.44

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Officer will file the Budget Amendment Certification Form and resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

RESOLUTION 2025-097 RESOLUTION TO HIRE TEMPORARY STAFF FOR THE 2025 SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM AND SETTING SALARIES

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury Recreation Committee will sponsor a summer day camp program; and

WHEREAS, the program will be held at the Sickles Park from Monday, June 30th through Friday, July 25th, 2025 (closed on July 4th for the Holiday), from 9:00am to 12:00pm. On rainy days, camp will be closed; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation of the Recreation Committee is to hire the following people at the following salaries. Karen Fordham will be the Camp Director.

Title	Name	Salary		
Lead Counselors				
	Lucas Locallo	\$1,500.00		
New Counselors				
	Theodore Kurdyla	\$9.00		
	Stella Padula	\$9.00		
	Emily Bumber	\$9.00		
	Benjamin McKay	\$9.00		
	Olivia Maija	\$9.00		
	Ryan Rawding	\$9.00		
	Wyatt Curley	\$9.00		
	Courtney Avore	\$9.00		
	Caitlin Connors	\$9.00		
Returning Counselors	2 nd year			
	Liana Fels	\$9.75		
	Christopher Baeri	\$9.75		
	Madeline Freeman	\$9.75		
	Gianna Goldberg	\$9.75		
	Caitlyn Murphy	\$9.75		
	William Galligan	\$9.75		
Returning Counselors 3 rd Year				
	Ashlie Michalski	\$10.50		
	Riley Avore	\$10.50		
	Vivian Lovallo	\$10.50		
	Lilly McNeace	\$10.50		
	Megan Murphy	\$10.50		
	Kiera Rankl	\$10.50		

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the salaries set above for the summer Recreation Counselors for the year 2025 be approved.

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

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RESOLUTION 2025-098 A RESOLUTION HIRING A PART TIME SEASONAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS SUMMER LABORER

WHEREAS, the Public Works Manager, Matt Hall has the need for and has requested the hire of a Part-time Seasonal worker; and

WHEREAS, Matt Hall has recommended hiring Anthony Piperno at a rate of \$20.00 per hour not to exceed 25 hours per week with a start date of 6/10/2025 as recommended by the Public Works Manager; 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 Anthony Piperno be as a Part-time Seasonal Worker at \$20.00 per hour.

RESOLUTION 2025-099 RESOLUTION TO RENEW THE CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE NUMBER 1345-33-003-012 FOR SHREWSBURY RESTAURANT, LLC TRADING AS ALBARINO RESTAURANT

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13 and N.J.S.A. 33, the following application for renewal of a liquor license and fees have been received by the Municipal Clerk for:

SHREWSBURY RESTAURANT, LLC #1345-33-003-012

WHEREAS, the Clerk has also received a 'Clearance Certificate' from the State of New Jersey Division of Taxation, in accordance to Chapter 161, Laws of New Jersey, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Liquor License Renewal Application of the aforesaid, has been hereby approved by the Shrewsbury Police Department, the Monmouth County Health Department and the Fire Marshall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the above listed liquor license shall be renewed for one year, effective July 1, 2025, and shall be subject to comply with the provisions of the Borough of Shrewsbury Code.

RESOLUTION 2025-100 RESOLUTION TO RENEW THE LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE ESTATE, LLC T/A THE SHADOWBROOK AT SHREWSBURY

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13 and N.J.S.A. 33, the following application for renewal of a liquor license and fees have been received by the Municipal Clerk for:

THE ESTATE LLC T/A SHADOWBROOK AT SHREWSBURY #1345-33-002-004

WHEREAS, the Clerk has also received a 'Clearance Certificate' from the State of New Jersey Division of Taxation, in accordance to Chapter 161, Laws of New Jersey, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Liquor License Renewal Application of the aforesaid, has been hereby approved by the Shrewsbury Police Department, the Monmouth County Health Department and the Fire Marshall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above listed liquor license shall be renewed for one year, effective July 1, 2025, subject to the following conditions:

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- 1. Cessation of any outdoor music or amplification of sounds after 11:00pm.
- 2. All bottle disposals via the chute to the dumpster is prohibited between the hours of 11:00pm and 10:00am.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the above listed liquor license shall be renewed for one year, effective July 1, 2025, and shall be subject to comply with the provisions of the Borough of Shrewsbury Code.

RESOLUTION 2025-101 RESOLUTION RENEWING LIQUOR LICENSE FOR WINE SAVVY, LLC

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13 and N.J.S.A. 33, the following application for renewal of a liquor license and fees have been received by the Municipal Clerk for:

WINE SAVVY LLC-. #1345-44-004-017

WHEREAS, the Clerk has also received a 'Clearance Certificate' from the State of New Jersey Division of Taxation, in accordance to Chapter 161, Laws of New Jersey, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Liquor License Renewal Application of the aforesaid, has been hereby approved by the Shrewsbury Police Department, the Monmouth County Health Department and the Fire Marshall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the above listed liquor license shall be renewed for one year, effective July 1, 2025, and shall be subject to comply with the provisions of the Borough of Shrewsbury Code.

RESOLUTION 2025-102 RESOLUTION RENEWING CERTAIN PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE WITH BROAD PACKAGE PRIVILEGES FOR THE YEAR 2025/2026

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 13 and N.J.S.A. 33, the following application for renewal of a liquor license and fees have been received by the Municipal Clerk for:

Frit Leasing & Development Services, INC. - #1345-32-001-010 - INACTIVE LICENSE

WHEREAS, the Clerk has also received a 'Clearance Certificate' from the State of New Jersey Division of Taxation, in accordance to Chapter 161, Laws of New Jersey, 1995; and

WHEREAS, the Liquor License Renewal Application of the aforesaid, has been reviewed by the Shrewsbury Police Department, the Monmouth County Health Department and the Fire Marshall.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that the above listed liquor license shall be renewed for one year, effective July 1, 2025, and shall be subject to comply with the provisions of the Borough of Shrewsbury Code.

RESOLUTION 2025-103 APPOINTING HISTORIAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury that Donald W. Burden is hereby appointed Borough Historian through December 31, 2026.

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RESOLUTION 2025-104 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT OF THE MANAGER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, Matthew Hall was appointed Public Works Manager for the Borough of Shrewsbury on February 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, at that time, the Borough and Mr. Hall entered into an employment agreement, which expired on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Mr. Hall have agreed to the terms of a new employment agreement.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Shrewsbury approves the attached employment agreement effective February 2, 2024 through December 31, 2025, incorporated herein by reference, and authorizes the Mayor to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough.

RESOLUTION 2025-105 RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF BOROUGH SHREWSBURY ENDORSING FOURTH ROUND HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, (hereinafter, "Borough" or "Shrewsbury") has a demonstrated history of voluntary compliance with its constitutional affordable housing obligations and in fact obtained a Final Round Three Judgment of Compliance and Repose on July 18, 2019 from the Court in the matter captioned In the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth, Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Docket No. MON-L-2235-15 thereby immunizing the Borough from builder remedy litigation until July 1, 2025 (the "Third Round Litigation"); and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2024, c.2, an Amendment to the 1985 Fair Housing Act (hereinafter "Amended FHA" or "Act") establishing the statutory calculation of the state-wide fair share obligation for the Fourth Round of affordable housing for the time period 2025-2035; and

WHEREAS, the Amended FHA requires the Department of Community Affairs ("DCA") to provide its calculation of every municipality's Fourth Round fair share affordable housing obligations based upon the criteria on the Amended FHA and the DCA issued a report on October 18, 2024 (the "DCA Report") wherein it supplied its calculation of the fair share affordable housing obligation for all municipalities, including the Borough of Shrewsbury; and

WHEREAS, the DCA Report calculated Shrewsbury's Fourth Round fair share obligations as follows: Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation of 35 and a Fourth Round Prospective Need (New Construction) Obligation of 96 affordable housing units; an

WHEREAS, the Borough Council adopted Resolution 2025-032 accepting the DCA calculation of the Borough Fourth Round affordable housing obligation of a Present Need Obligation of 35 units and a Fourth Round Prospective Need obligation of 96 units, subject to the Borough's right to a Vacant Land Adjustment in accordance with N.J.S.A 52:27D-311 of the Amended Act; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the above, the Acting Administrative Director issued Directive #14-24 dated December 13, 2024 and pursuant to that Directive, a municipality seeking a certification of compliance with the Act is required to file a legal action in the form of a declaratory judgment complaint within 48 hours after adoption of the municipal resolution of fair share obligations, or by February 3, 2025, whichever is sooner; and

WHEREAS, the Borough filed a timely declaratory judgment complaint in accordance with AOC Directive #14-24 known as In the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, Docket No. MON-L-000202-25 seeking a declaration as to the Borough's Fourth Round affordable housing obligation and the approval of the Borough's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("HESP") which sets forth the affordable housing mechanisms the Borough will implement to satisfy its Fourth Round affordable housing obligation; and

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WHEREAS, the Amended FHA requires municipalities to adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("HESP") by June 30, 2025 setting forth the Borough's affordable housing obligation and the mechanisms the Borough will establish to meet its constitutional obligation to provide for its fair share of affordable housing in order to maintain immunity from builder's remedy obligation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Planner, David A. Cranmer, PE, PP, CME prepared the Fourth Round (2025-2035) Housing Element & Fair Share Housing Plan dated May 23, 2025, which concludes the Borough of Shrewsbury is entitled to rely upon a Vacant Land Adjustment resulting in a Realistic Development Potential of 2 affordable housing units with an Unmet Need of 94 affordable housing units; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board of the Borough of Shrewsbury, Monmouth County, State of New Jersey, upon notice duly provided pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-13, held a public hearing on the Fourth Round (2025-2035) Housing Element & Fair Share Housing Plan prepared by David A. Cranmer, PE, PP, CME on June 4, 2024 and considered the sworn testimony of Mr. Cranmer at the hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Land Use Board adopted a Resolution dated June 4, 2025 approving the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury believes it is in the best interest of the Borough to endorse the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan to obtain compliance certification from the Program/Court thereby protecting the Borough from exclusionary zoning litigation until July 1, 2035.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that it hereby endorses the Fourth Round (2025-2035) Housing Element & Fair Share Housing Plan dated May 23, 2025 prepared by Borough Planner David A. Cranmer, PE, PP, CME.

RESOLUTION 2025-106 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILL LIST FOR June 9, 2025 AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

WHEREAS, the Borough of Shrewsbury received certain claims against it by way of voucher in the amount of \$1,616,880.19 for the period ending June 9,, 2025; and

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.

Ordinance:

Ordinance 2025-1134 Second Reading/ Adoption: An Ordinance Of The Council Of The Borough Of Shrewsbury, County Of Monmouth, Supplementing Chapter 90, "Vehicles And Traffic" Of The Borough's Revised General Ordinances By Article XXV, "Low-Speed Electric Bicycles And Low-Speed Electric Scooters"

Mayor Eulner opened the floor to the public

Seeing no one Mayor Eulner closed the floor to the public.

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Motion to Adopt Ordinance 2025-1134

Councilman Daly motioned to Adopt Ordinance <u>2025-1134</u> seconded by Councilman Levy, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Daly, Levy, and McAvoy

Nays: None Abstain: None

Reports of Council:

Councilman Daly-

Councilman Daly began by discussing the introduced Ordinance related to Ebike/ Escooter use. This ordinance would impose restrictions on where Ebike/ Escooter can be operated, as well as introduce helmet requirements and speed limits, especially since many recent offenders have been under 18 years old. Councilman Daly indicated this information would be shared with local elementary and high schools.

Councilman Daly informed everyone soccer sign-ups, which had just opened. Councilman Daly mentioned a slight increase in fees, primarily to cover rising referee costs. Recreation Committee is actively seeking a different referee company and is encouraging new referees for younger games. The goal is to improve the overall pool of referees for the upcoming fall season.

Councilman Daly also provided updates on other sports: baseball and softball seasons are wrapping up. He thanked the Department of Public Works (DPW) for their hard work, including adding a significant amount of dirt to even out playing fields. Councilman Daly also mentioned their efforts to recruit new volunteer coaches for recreational sports. A mass email was sent to over 600 registered participants, but only seven people expressed interest. Councilman Daly emphasized that the town's operations rely on volunteers and that they plan to target new residents who moved to the community after the pandemic to raise awareness about volunteering.

In other news, Councilman Daly said that based on community feedback, they might establish a Shrewsbury running club for both children and adults.

Councilman Daly announced that summer camp sign-ups are now closed and that this year's camp is one of the largest in recent years. They confirmed all counselors are in place and that the group will conduct an equipment inventory for fall sports this week to determine any purchasing needs.

Councilman Daly also announced upcoming summer concerts with local bands: Cul-de-Sac on July 10th and The Well-Wishes on July 24th. Both events will have food trucks. Councilman Daly reminded the community to bring their lawn chairs.

Councilman Daly also announced a community open house for the new school building, tentatively scheduled for August, so residents can see what their tax dollars have accomplished. Recent construction updates include new lighting, sidewalks, and a finished gym floor.

Councilman Daly concluded by listing key dates: graduation is on the 19th, the last day of school is the 20th, and the next board meeting is on the 18th.

Councilwomen DerAsadourian-

No Report

Councilman Eddy-

- No Report

Councilman Levy-

- Councilman Levy stated that the promotion process is underway in the Police Department.

Councilman McAvoy-

Councilman McAvoy met with the fire chief to discuss May's statistics. The department responded to 29 total calls, including those for general alarms, smoke, and carbon dioxide. This amounted to 134 man-hours of work. The department is preparing for an active training exercise this week near Williamsburg and the Ester Hymer Preserve to practice responding to a brush fire. Residents in the area may see them working with equipment there. Councilman McAvoy also spoke with Mr. McConnell about volunteerism and they are exploring grants to incentivize new recruits to join the department.

Councilman McAvoy provided an update for First Aid Squad for May, during which they responded to 49 calls. Of these, 33 were during the day and 16 were at night. The busiest locations were Chelsea, Avenue of the Commons, Meridian, and Sunrise.

Councilwoman Morton-

The Memorial Day Ceremony on May 26th was a well-attended successful event. Notes have been made for next year to look into changing the location of seating and speakers, possibly moving to the top of Patriots Isle. Additionally, it was brought to my attention that the National Anthem was performed before the Scouts brought forth the flag. Next year we will ensure this is done in the correct order.

Shade Tree Commission -

The next meeting is Saturday, June 14 at 9 am

The STC is looking to have the permitting process updated to an online form through the SDL website, which will hopefully allow photos to be uploaded with the permit application for the STC to review and approve or request more information.

Bill and I will be working on a blurb/article for the Boro newsletter with the new permitting information (if ready) and a reminder that permits are needed for tree removal.

Environmental Commission

Members attended the Rally for Two Rivers Eco-Fest. The rain mostly held out and the event was well attended. The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 11th at 7 pm. This meeting will feature guest speaker Brian Thompson, a retired news caster from Monmouth Beach. He will address environmental issues we should all have knowledge of and what the NJ Legislature is working on. All members of the public, council, and mayor are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Kim Doran Eulner

Mayor Eulner began by expressing pride in presenting a Shrewsbury resident, a co-valedictorian, with an award at the Red Bank Regional Senior Award Night.

Mayor Eulner also mentioned a recent meeting of Two Rivers mayors where they informally discussed issues in their respective towns.

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BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

MAYOR & COUNCIL June 9, 2025

Mayor Eulner reiterated that Memorial Day was a great success, thanking the first responders—police, fire, and first aid—for sponsoring a barbecue. The firefighters cooked, the first aid squad provided desserts, and the police supplied soft drinks.

Mayor Eulner also spoke about Mayor of the Day, a fifth-grade student named George Murphy. The young man, who was celebrating his 11th birthday, wrote a beautiful thank-you note and was given the special opportunity to name the town's first DPW truck. The name will be announced at a later date.

Administrator's Report

No Report

Correspondence

No Report

Open to the Public

Jay Eaton, 916 Broad Street

- -Mr. Eaton's first question was about a resolution regarding historic preservation passed at the last council meeting. Ms. Quinn responded that the resolution was in support of **Senate Bill S4048**, which is for the preservation of historic areas and aligns with the historical registry from 1970.
- -Mr. Eaton's second point was about the recent repaving of Broad Street by the DOT (Department of Transportation). He explained that residents had issues with the timing, as the work was done late at night, and with the lack of communication from the DOT. Driveways and side streets were inaccessible, and some drivers unknowingly drove over wet pavement. Jay requested that the borough try to open up communication with the DOT to get advanced notice of such projects to share with residents. Borough Administrator, Mark Regan, acknowledged the challenges of getting information from the DOT but offered to monitor press releases and share them on Facebook to keep the public informed.

Robin Blair, 69 Thornbrooke Drive

Ms. Blair on behalf of the Shrewsbury Environmental Commission, expressed excitement about an upcoming event featuring Brian Thompson, a former reporter for NBC, who will speak about his experiences in New Jersey. The event is scheduled for Wednesday night at 7 p.m. and she encouraged council members to attend. Mayor Eulner offered to have the details about the event posted on the borough's website and social media.

Ms. Blair also mentioned the success of the recent **Earth Day fair** despite being rescheduled due to rain. She noted that next year the commission would like permission to use both the lobby and the main room to provide more space and shelter from inclement weather. A Mayor Eulner agreed that this would be a good idea.

Ginny Koehler, 129 Court Drive

Ms. Koehler asked a question about what kind of chemicals are used to treat the grass in the parks, noting that a sign had mentioned a 72-hour waiting period before stepping on the grass. She emphasized that this was a personal question and that she was concerned because children had recently participated in an Easter egg hunt there. Borough

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		Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(5), "any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matter were disclosed." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality, is:
		Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(6), "any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality, is:
		Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(7), "any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in subsection b. (4)" of N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 "in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality, is:
		Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8), "any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or discipline of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality, is:
		Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(9), "any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality, is:
		the length of the Closed Session is estimated to be <u>30 minutes</u> after which the public meeting of the Borough II reconvene and action will not be taken.
NOW, 1		REFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council will recess into Closed Session for only the aforesaid
made p	ubli	HER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby declares that its discussion of the aforesaid subject(s) will be c at a time when the public's interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being rom disclosure in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
	g ad	journed at 8:15pm on a motion made by Councilman Daly, seconded by Councilman Levy with ayes by all

Approve: 1an &

Attest:

Kim Doran Eulner, Mayor

Kerry Quinn, Municipal Clerk