

February 16, 2016

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

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 February 12, 2016 by the Municipal Clerk.

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Burden, Councilmembers DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
Also Present: Borough Attorney Martin Barger, Borough Administrator Thomas Seaman & Municipal Clerk Kathleen P. Krueger
Absent: Councilwoman DerAsadourian

Salute to Flag

Led by Mayor Burden.

Nomination, Appointment & Swearing in of New Council Member

Mayor Burden stated that the Council had reviewed the three nominations from the Republican Party to fill Councilman Dodge's unexpired term. Councilman Moran motioned to nominate Erik Anderson to fill the position, seconded by Councilman Meyer, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Erik Anderson was asked to come forward and was sworn in by Mayor Burden as his wife, Melissa, held the bible and his sons, Carter, Connor and Quinn looked on. After signing his oath of office, Mr. Anderson joined the Council at the dais.

Approval of Minutes: Borough Council Meeting – February 1, 2016

Councilman DeSalvo motioned to approve the minutes of February 1st, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Anderson & DeSalvo

Approval of Minutes: Borough Council Meeting – February 5, 2016

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the minutes of February 5th, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Anderson

Proclamation in Recognition of Read Across America

Mayor Burden read the proclamation in full.

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Resolution #2016-26 (Hire Special II Officer: Kyle F. Ludwig)

Resolution #2016-27 (Shrewsbury Hose Co. No. 1 Canning Fundraiser on County Road)

Resolution #2016-28 (Refund Construction Fees)

Councilman Meyer motioned to approve Resolutions #2016-26, 27 & 28 as a consent agenda, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution #2016-29 (Emergency Temporary Budget Appropriation No. 1)

Mr. Seaman explained the need for this resolution. Councilman Meyer motioned to approve Resolution #2016-29, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Authorize Mayor & Clerk to Sign 2016 Renewal Contract for the Conflict Zoning Officer

Mr. Seaman discussed the job responsibilities of the Conflict Zoning Officer. Councilman Meyer motioned to approve the renewal of the contract, seconded by Councilman Eddy, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Administrator Report

Mr. Seaman reported that a date was chosen for the MEL-JIF Elected Officials Course and noted the advantages of the Council's attendance. He advised the Council of methods the Borough was using to inform the residents about the new bulk pick-up schedule. Mr. Seaman also reported that the Borough's Annual Debt and Financial Statement have been filed with the state.

Reports of Council

Councilman Anderson had no report.

Councilwoman DerAsadourian's report was read by Councilman DeSalvo. He noted that Ms. DerAsadourian was requested \$38,000 from the Open Space Fund be used to repair the two fields at Patterson Avenue Park and the two fields at Sickles Park. He stated that this would include engineering fees. *Councilman DeSalvo motioned to approve expenditure from the Open Space Fund for \$38,000 to repair four fields (\$9,500 per field), seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by the following vote:*

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Councilman DeSalvo had nothing to report.

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Councilman Eddy reported that the Budget Workshop would be held on Saturday, March 5th at 9:00AM. He stated that he would be holding budget meetings in the upcoming week in preparation for the workshop.

Councilman Meyer reported that the DPW trucks and equipment will be inspected by the Council on Sunday at 9:00AM, and that interested residents were welcome to attend.

Councilman Moran reported that the Planning Board meeting was cancelled. He added that the Borough received a favorable decision on the Borough's most recent motion involving COAH. Mr. Seaman stated that they would be having a meeting with a COAH expert later in the month. Councilman Moran asked if there could be a Council Liaison to the Zoning Board and Mr. Barger explained why this was not an option.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Burden noted that Fair Haven had reached out to Shrewsbury to see if they could do a shared service with the court. Mr. Burden stated that although it would be explored it didn't appear to be feasible at this time. Mr. Seaman explained some of the issues involved with the shared services for the court.

Mayor Burden reported on all the meetings he had attended in the previous two weeks. He noted that Mr. Anderson had stepped down from the Zoning Board and stated that he would like to appoint Michael DeNofa as his replacement. *Councilman DeSalvo motioned to appoint Michael DeNofa to the Zoning Board, seconded by Councilman Moran and approved by the following vote:*

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Meyer & Moran
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Burden thanked the Code Enforcement Officer, Frank Woods, for all the work he is doing on cleaning up the Trader Joe's Plaza.

Correspondence

Ms. Krueger stated that the Council received a letter concerning drainage issues on Regent Drive. Mr. Seaman stated that it would be addressed in the spring. Councilman Meyer stated that the Council received the letter and referred it to the Borough Engineer.

Ms. Krueger also noted that Assemblyman Houghtaling and Assemblywoman Joann Downey would like to meet with the Council in the near future. The Council decided to meet with Mr. Houghtaling and Ms. Downey prior to one of the next council meetings.

Councilman DeSalvo stated that he received an e-mail on the feral cat situation. Mr. Barger stated that the case is still in litigation.

Open the Meeting to the Public

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

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Close the Meeting to the Public

Seeing no one from the public present, Councilman Meyer motioned to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Councilman DeSalvo, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Payment of Bills

Councilman Eddy motioned to approve the bills in the amount of \$89,636.94, seconded by Councilman Meyer, and approved by the following vote:

AYES: Anderson, DeSalvo, Eddy, Moran & Meyer
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution #2016-29A (Executive Session)

Mayor Burden read Resolution #2016-29A to enter into Executive Session at 7:46 PM. Councilman Meyer noted that no action would be taken after the meeting. Councilman Meyer motioned to approve Resolution #2016-29A, seconded by Councilman Moran, and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Adjourn

Councilman Motioned motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 PM, seconded by Councilman Moran and approved by all Councilmembers present.

Attest: _____
Kathleen P. Krueger, RMC – Municipal Clerk

Approve: _____
Mayor Donald Burden