

Stow Creek Township Meeting November 6th, 2024

Present: Mayor Cruzan, Committeemen; Tom Burton, Asst Clerk; Bruce Porter, Clerk / Treasurer; Ron Campbell

Others present; Chris & Andrea Levick Stow Creek residents

Mayor Cruzan Lead the Flag salute.

Mr. Burton prayed for guidance and wisdom

Minutes approved (Burton, Cruzan) as sent out.

Correspondence was read, no action taken.

Mr. Burton said he would arrange another load of Ewaste to be removed at the convenience center.

The Mayor introduced the 2nd reading of the FEMA Ordinance. At this time he opened up the meeting for public comment. No one spoke for or against the Ordinance and the public comment was closed. Mr. Burton made a motion to accept this Ordinance as written and passed unanimously. (2-0).

At this time, three names, Rodney Cruzan, Chris Levick and Jason Hurff were considered for appointment to replace Committeeman Dave Shivers who had passed away on Oct. 21st, 2024. A motion was made and seconded (Burton, Cruzan) to appoint Chris Levick (2-0).

Resolution 2024-25 was then introduced.

Resolution Filling Vacant Council Seat

WHEREAS, David Shivers ("Shivers") was a member of the Stow Creek Township Committee and his term was set to expire on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Shivers passed away on October 21, 2024, rendering his seat vacant pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:16-3; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:16-5(a), Shivers' seat may be filled for its unexpired term by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:16-11 states that no later than 15 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, the municipal committee of the political party of which the incumbent was the nominee shall present the governing body with three nominees for the selection of a successor to fill the vacancy and if the municipal committee fails to submit the three nominees, the governing body may, within the next 15 days, fill the vacancy by the appointment of a successor from the same political party which had nominated the incumbent whose office has become vacant: and

WHEREAS, Shivers was a member of the Republican Party; and

WHEREAS, the Stow Creek Township Republican Party timely submitted the names of three nominees for the selection of a successor to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term; and

WHEREAS, the governing body would now like to appoint Shivers' successor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Stow Creek, that Chris Levick, who was one of the three nominees submitted to the governing body by the Stow Creek Republican Party, is hereby appointed to fill the vacant seat left by Shivers until December 31, 2024.

AND, BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk certify a copy of this Resolution and file it on the public record.

A motion was made to approve this resolution. (Cruzan, Burton)(2-0).

The Treasurer submitted the Treasurers report, a motion was made (Burton, Cruzan) to pay the bills and adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Campbell Sr RMC