

**TOWNSHIP OF SHREWSBURY
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

ORDINANCE #2021-07

**ORDINANCE ADOPTING MITIGATION PLAN ADOPTED BY THE MONMOUTH COUNTY
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Shrewsbury has in the past experienced natural hazards that result in public safety hazards and damages to private and public property; and

WHEREAS, a Hazard Mitigation Planning Process by the State of New Jersey and the Federal Emergency Management Agency Office set forth an opportunity to consider national hazards and risks, and to identify mitigation actions to reduce future risks; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management has provided Federal Mitigation Funds to support development of an updated Mitigation Plan; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Welsh is the Emergency Management Officer for the Township of Shrewsbury, and as so, Mr. Welsh has recommended the Township adopt a Mitigation Plan, entitled, "Monmouth County Multi-jurisdictional All Hazards Mitigation Plan" updated by the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management, who contracted with Michael Baker International, Inc. in developing the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Mitigation Plan received FEMA approval pending adoption status on August 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of the Township of Shrewsbury to have an Emergency Management Mitigation Plan to address emergency management situations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the governing body of the Township of Shrewsbury in the County of Monmouth and the State of New Jersey, that the governing body hereby adopts and accepts the Monmouth County Multi-jurisdictional All-hazards Mitigation Plan ("Mitigation Plan") accepted by the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management through a contract with Michael Baker International, Inc., and updated as of August 27, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Township of Shrewsbury's Departments, identified in the Plan are hereby directed to further pursue potential or further implementation of the recommended Plan priority activities that are assigned to their departments.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any action proposed by the Plan shall be subject to and contingent upon budget approval, if required, which shall be at the discretion at the Township of Shrewsbury, and this Ordinance shall not be interpreted so as to mandate any other appropriation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Township of Shrewsbury Emergency Management Coordinator, Thomas Welsh, is designated to coordinate with other offices and shall periodically report on the activities, accomplishments and progress, and shall prepare an annual progress report to be submitted to the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management. Said status report shall be submitted on a yearly bases with a predetermined date agreed upon by all stakeholders.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a USB flash drive of the full Mitigation Plan is available at the Monmouth County Emergency Management Office, as well as in the Clerk's Office of Shrewsbury Township for review.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a copy of this Ordinance, once adopted, shall be forwarded to Michael Yaffe, Senior Associate of Michael Baker International, Inc. at 300 American Metro Blvd., Ste. 154, Hamilton, New Jersey 08619, and to the Monmouth County Office of Emergency Management, and a copy shall also be provided to the Emergency Management Officer of Shrewsbury Township, Thomas Welsh.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances that are inconsistent herewith are repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistency.

Vote on Adoption:

Lettice
Jennings
Puhak

APPROVED ON FIRST READING:

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Pamela D. Howard
Municipal Clerk

Glenwood Puhak
Mayor