

SHARPSBURG TOWN COUNCIL

Elizabeth Good; Mayor
Cynthia Puckett-Pike; Post 1
Alex Edge; Post 2
Tom Teagle; Post 3
Polly Garlington; Post 4



TOWN OF SHARPSBURG, GEORGIA

Floyd L. Jones; Town Administrator
Brad Sears; Town Attorney
Angie Moore; Community Center Coordinator

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MINUTES

July 6, 2026
6:00 p.m.

Welcome to the meeting of your Sharpsburg Town Council! Your participation in Town government is appreciated. All regularly scheduled Town Council meetings are open to the public and are typically held on the 1st Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

Call Council Meeting to Order:

Mayor Good called the July 6, 2027 Town Council meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Good led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Establish Quorum:

Town Administrator Jones stated a quorum was present. Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike were not present at the meeting.

Presentations:

There were no Presentations on the Agenda.

Review / Approval of Minutes:

1. Approval of June 1, 2026 Minutes

Councilmember Teagle moved to approve the June 1, 2026 Minutes. Councilmember Garlington seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0 with Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike not present.

Public Hearing:

There was no Public Hearing on the Agenda.

New Business:

1. Consideration of the updated Local Emergency Operations Plan

Director Nic Burgess of Coweta County 911/ EMA and EMA Specialist Jacob Eason spoke to the Council about the updated Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) and answered questions about preparedness and training.

Councilmember Teagle moved to authorize the mayor to sign the Local Emergency Operations Plan. Councilmember Garlington seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-2 with Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike not present.

2. Consideration of 2026 Millage Rates

Administrator Jones sought guidance on setting the upcoming FY2026 Millage Rates. He stated that additional and corrected information had been provided and it was clear that if the millage rate was set at any amount higher than zero mills, then the town would have to advertise it is raising taxes. He reminded Council that in November 2025, it had unanimously adopted Resolution 2025-09 calling for the FY2026 Millage Rates to be lowered to zero mills. He added that FLOST funds are intended to offset property taxes, and that property taxes are determined by the millage rate. By lowering the millage rate to zero, the town would essentially not be charging property taxes. He stated that the appropriate action is to lower the millage rate to zero as it meets the intention of Coweta's voters, the town has sufficient FLOST funds for operational costs, it meets the intention of Resolution 2025-09.

Council directed the Town Administrator to pursue lowering the millage rate to zero mills.

Councilmember Garlington moved to authorize the Town Administrator to lower the FY2026 millage rates to zero. Councilmember Teagle seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-2 with Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike not present.

3. Consideration of Draft Film Ordinance

Town Administrator Jones stated a Film Ordinance had been drafted for Council's consideration. He stated that the town had been approached several times with a request to film. Since the town does not have a film ordinance or policy, such requests were considered under a Special Use Permit which was inadequate for filming purposes. He noted that two such approved filming opportunities closed town streets and Town Hall- affecting town operations. Since the approval was based on the Special Use Permit, the town received \$50 for filming across multiple days. He stated that the drafted film ordinance was based largely on the City of McDonough's ordinance, and that several other policies and ordinances from neighboring jurisdictions had also been reviewed. Discussion included the tiered system of film permits that would be incorporated- distinguishing between low-impact filming versus high-impact filming.

Council agreed with the film ordinance concept as presented and directed that the Town Attorney review the draft ordinance, make any corrections or amendments as deemed necessary, and for the ordinance to be considered and voted on as soon as able. No vote was taken on this matter.

Old Business:

1. Ratification of Arbor Valley Deck Repair Approval

Councilmember Garlington stated she was concerned that the vote taken on June 1, 2026 about making repairs at Arbor Valley was in violation of the Georgia Open Meetings Act. She asked for clarity from the Town Attorney about her concern.

Town Attorney Brad Sears stated that Georgia law allows for matters to be discussed and voted on if they were not anticipated prior to the publishing of an Agenda. He clarified that no violation of the Open Meetings law occurred, however, best practice would be to amend the agenda to discuss and vote on the matter. Since the Agenda was not amended, the only issue was that an argument could be made that the vote was void or of no effect. He stated the clear way to resolve the matter is to ratify the vote that was taken in June.

Discussion followed concerning this was a known issue and that staff had not acted on it for approximately a month, thus not putting it on the agenda. Administrator Jones agreed that the issue had been known about for about a

month, and that staff had worked on getting quotes to make the repairs. The quotes did not arrive until the day of the meeting. This issue had not been ignored but it simply took time to get the quotes. He added that the work has already been completed.

Councilmember Teagle moved to ratify the vote taken on June 1, 2026 to approve of a quote from Freddy Fix-It, in the amount of \$2,600, for repair work at Arbor Valley. Councilmember Garlington seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0-2 with Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike not present.

Public Comments:

There were no Public Comments.

Polling of Council:

There were no comments during Polling of Council.

Administrator's Report:

Administrator Jones gave reports on the following matters:

- A church is using the Town Library each Sunday. Each Councilmember was informed of the desire of the church to use the library. The church has stated they will make repairs and keep the library clean during its use.
- The next meeting of the Steering Committee to discuss and revise the Town's Comprehensive Plan will be on Tuesday, July 7, 2026 at 6 p.m. Attempts have been made to remind the committee members of the meeting.
- Sharpsburg is placing public advertisements in the local organ, The Newnan Times-Herald, concerning the November 2026 Alcohol Referendum. In talking with County Elections Director Ashley Gay, the town is advised to run three such advertisements in the month of October. The cost of running the three advertisements in October is \$1,425. This cost will exceed the budgeted amount for advertisements, and he wanted Council to be aware of the additional costs. It is noted that an advertisement will also run on July 29- meaning all said in done the notice of the referendum will be in the paper four separate times.
- During the June 1, 2026 Council meeting, discussion was held regarding the need for a Work Session to discuss the possibility of an ordinance governing liquor stores. This is in preparation should the Alcohol Referendum be approved by the voters. Council agreed to have a Work Session on July 20 at 6 p.m. to discuss this matter.
- Repairs at Arbor Valley are complete. Also, the wheel stops that were approved at the June 1, 2026 meeting have also been installed.
- During the month of June, the Town was awarded an LRA (Local Road Assistance) Grant in the amount of \$7,365.19. This grant is like an LMIG Grant, except that it does not require matching funds. The grant was provided for the repair of culverts on Williams Circle and Sunset Drive. It was added that the town has received at total of \$14,209 in LMIG and LRA grants from the Georgia Department of Transportation and \$3,261 in GMA Safety Grant funds.
- Angie made repairs to the women's bathroom using Gorilla Glue, bypassing the need for duct tape and WD-40. He thanked Angie for making the repairs!

- July marks the second half of the town's Fiscal Year, and in the coming months he will start working on the FY2027 budget. He asked Council to bring him projects, ideas, or suggestions that need to be evaluated and potentially baked into the Fiscal Year 2027 budget.

Mayor's Report:

There was no Mayor's Report given.

Executive Session:

There was no Executive Session.

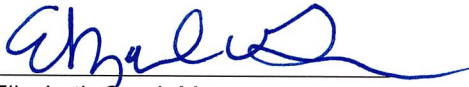
Adjournment:

Councilmember Teagle moved to adjourn the July 6, 2026 Town Council meeting. Councilmember Garlington seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0 with Councilmembers Edge and Puckett-Pike not present.

The July 6, 2026 Town Council meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

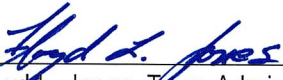


Floyd L. Jones, Town Administrator



Elizabeth Good, Mayor

The foregoing minutes were duly approved at an official meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council, in Sharpsburg, Georgia, on the 10th day of August 2026.



Floyd L. Jones, Town Administrator