

RESOLUTION 2026-02

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF SHARPSBURG

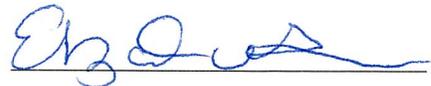
ADOPTION OF THE TOWN'S FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGETS

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Town of Sharpsburg has prepared and submitted to the Town Council a General Fund budget, SPLOST 2029 budget, SPLOST 2025 budget, and FLOST 2026 budget with all four budgets pertaining to Fiscal Year 2026 beginning on January 1, 2026 and ending on December 31, 2024; and

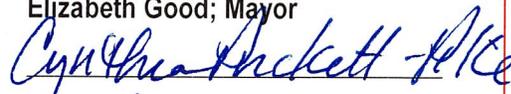
WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Sharpsburg have studied the proposed budget and considers it in the best interest of the Town of Sharpsburg to adopt it.

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Sharpsburg, that the budgets attached hereto and made a part hereof for the year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, are approved.

Adopted this fifth day of January 2026.



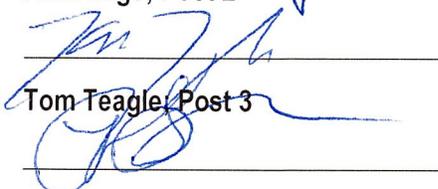
Elizabeth Good; Mayor



Cynthia Puckett-Pike; Post 1



Alex Edge; Post 2



Tom Teagle; Post 3

Polly Garlington; Post 4

ATTEST:



Floyd L. Jones; Town Administrator

PUBLIC HEARING

SECOND READING- FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2026-02

- The town is required to approve a balanced budget at the beginning of each year.
- The proposed budget, as currently provided, is for a first reading. Council is requested to adopt Resolution 2026-02 and in so doing authorizing and approving the 2026 Fiscal Year budget.
- The proposed budgets have been adjusted since its first reading on December 1, 2025 to account for both additional revenues and expenses in the General Fund and to account for a payment made in December from the SPLOST 2019 fund.

This document outlines the 2026 operating budget, including revenue and expenses, as well as details on American Rescue Plan Funds and SPLOST allocations.

2026 Operating Account Budget

- The total approved revenue budget is \$306,700, primarily sourced from property taxes, franchise fees, and local option sales tax.
- Major revenue contributors include Real Property Tax (\$26,180), Local Option Sales Tax (\$109,000), and Franchise Fees (\$32,320 combined).
- The total approved expense budget matches the revenue at \$306,700, with significant allocations for personnel services (\$95,000) and contracted services (\$40,150).
- Other notable expenses include legal fees (\$15,000), garbage disposal (\$40,500), and insurance coverage (\$9,900).

American Rescue Plan Funds

- Total revenue received from the American Rescue Plan is \$134,811, with \$132,216 spent to date and \$2,595 allocated for future expenses.
- Expenditures include various office equipment and infrastructure improvements, with the final payment to CivicPlus for codification of ordinances scheduled for January 2026.

SPLOST 2019 and 2025 Budgets

- SPLOST 2019 income ceased on December 31, 2024, with an anticipated bank balance of \$176,289 by the end of 2026.
- SPLOST 2025 began collecting revenue in January 2025, with an expected balance of \$184,085.00 by the end of 2026, and no expenditures authorized yet.

FLOST 2026 Budget

- FLOST 2026, approved in November 2025, is projected to generate approximately \$92,167 in its first year, aimed at property tax relief.
- The anticipated bank balance at the end of 2026 is \$66,017, contributing to a reserve that meets GFOA recommendations for general fund operating revenues.

2026 OPERATING ACCOUNT

REVENUE BUDGET

REVENUE BUDGET CODE	REVENUE ACCOUNT NAME	REVENUE ACCOUNT APPROVED BUDGET
31.1100	Real Property Tax- Current Year	\$26,180
31.1200	Real Property Tax- Prior Year	\$3,500
31.1310	Personal Property- Motor Vehicle	\$11,000
31.1340	Intangible Tax	\$2,200
31.1600	Real Estate Transfer Tax	\$200
31.1710	Franchise Fees- Electric	\$25,000
31.1730	Franchise Fees- Gas	\$820
31.1750	Franchise Fees- Cable	\$6,500
31.3100	LOST- Local Option Sales Tax	\$109,000
31.4200	Alcohol Beverage Excise Tax	\$10,000
31.6100	Business and Occupation Tax	\$8,000
31.6200	Insurance Premium Taxes	\$30,000
31.6300	Financial Institution Tax	\$3,900
32.1100	Alcohol Beverage Business License	\$6,650
32.1220	Insurance Business License	\$3,700
32.3100	Building Permits	\$1,300
34.7200	Community Center Rental	\$27,000
34.7500	Culture and Community Center- Instructor Fees	\$4,500
36.1000	Interest Income- Checking	\$250
38.1000	Rental Property Income	\$18,000
38.7000	Grants Received	\$9,000
TOTAL REVENUE BUDGET:		\$306,700

2026 OPERATING ACCOUNT

EXPENSE BUDGET

EXPENSE BUDGET CODE	EXPENSE ACCOUNT NAME	EXPENSE ACCOUNT APPROVED BUDGET
51.1100	Personnel Services- Payroll	\$95,000
51.2200	Employee Benefits- FICA	\$7,500
52.1101	Contracted Services- Tax Collect	\$350
52.1200	Professional Services	\$4,600
52.1201	Legal Fees	\$15,000
52.1202	Accounting Fees	\$7,600
52.1204	Municipal Court Expenditures	\$1,000
52.1300	Contracted Services (Payroll / IT in a Box/ Sage	\$13,250
52.2111	Garbage Disposal- Residents	\$40,500
52.2130	Cleaning Services- Custodial	\$7,500
52.2140	Lawn Care	\$14,200
52.2141	Right of Way Trimming	\$13,000
52.2200	Repairs and Maintenance- Building	\$16,000
52.3100	Insurance Coverage	\$9,900
52.3200	Communications	\$6,400
52.3300	Advertising	\$2,500
52.3400	Printing Services	\$1,800
52.3500	Travel	\$2,000
52.3600	Dues and Fees	\$4,000
52.3700	Education and Training	\$4,000
52.3850	Contract Labor- Building Official	\$3,000
53.1100	General Supplies and Materials	\$4,000
53.1101	General Supplies and Materials- Library	\$400
53.1201	Street Light Expense	\$10,000
53.1202	Traffic Light Expense	\$500
53.1210	Utilities- Water	\$950
53.1230	Utilities- Electricity	\$10,750
53.1240	Utilities- Gas	\$1,500
54.2300	Furniture and Fixtures	\$500
54.2400	Computers and Printers	\$4,000
65.0000	Contingencies	\$5,000
TOTAL EXPENSE BUDGET:		\$306,700

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDS

2026 BUDGET

SUMMARY:

All American Rescue Plan Funds have either been spent or allocated to be spent. The following tables show the amount received, amount spent to date, and the remaining funds to be spent.

It is noted that the American Rescue Plan Funds were deposited into the town's General Fund / Operating Account and the remaining expenditure of \$2,595 to CivicPlus will be paid from the General Fund.

Total Revenue Received:	\$134,811
Total Expenses Spent to Date	\$132,216
Total Allocated (Yet to be Spent)	\$2,595
Total Expenses	\$134,811
Balance of Total Revenue and Total Expense:	\$0

REVENUE:

Date Received:	Payor:	Purpose:	Notes:	Amount Received:
July 30, 2021	ARPA	American Rescue Plan Act	American Rescue Plan Act	\$67,405.50
July 15, 2022	ARPA	American Rescue Plan Act	American Rescue Plan Act	\$67,405.50
			Aggregate Received:	\$134,811

EXPENDITURES:

Date Paid:	Vendor:	Purpose:	Notes:	Amount Paid:
April 11, 2023	Toshiba	Printer / Scanner	Ref to Minutes: Feb 6, 2023	\$837.49
June 20, 2023	Toshiba	New Copy Machine	Ref to Minutes: February 6, 2023	\$12,310.01
August 1, 2024	CivicPlus	Codification of Ordinances	Ref to Minutes: June 3, 2024	\$16,099.98
October 2, 2024	Brad Sears	Codification of Ordinances	Ref to Minutes: June 3, 2024	\$5,000.00
September 11, 2024	Coweta County	Wellsburg Station Repaving	Ref to Minutes: June 3, 2024	\$6,261.87
September 11, 2024	Coweta County	Wellsburg Station Repaving	Ref to Minutes: June 3, 2024	\$43,743.16
March 3, 2025	Cooks Office Equipment	Fireproof Cabinets	Ref to Minutes: Sept 9, 2024, and March 3, 2025	\$14,097.45
December 16, 2024	Cooks Office Equipment	Chairs for Office	Ref to Minutes: Sept 9, 2024	\$4,982.55
January 8, 2025	Cooks Office Equipment	Shelving for Storage Room	Ref to Minutes: Sept 9, 2024	\$4,995.00
January 30, 2025	Cooks Office Equipment	New Furniture for Town hall	Ref to Minutes: September 9, 2025	\$14,898.00
October 14, 2024	Ultimate Security	Cameras / Door Locks / Alarm System	Ref to Minutes: October 14, 2024, and March 3, 2025	\$8,990.49
			Aggregate Spent:	\$132,216.00

REMAINING ALLOCATED (ASSIGNED FUNDS) FUNDS:

Date to be Paid:	Vendor	Purpose:	Notes:	Amount to be Paid:
January 2026	CivicPlus	Complete Codification Project	Refer to Minutes: June 3, 2024	\$2,595.00
			Total to be Paid:	\$2,595.00

SPLOST 2019 2026 BUDGET

SUMMARY:

SPLOST 2019 Income stopped being collected on December 31, 2024. Apart from monthly interest payments, there is no other revenue anticipated for this account.

In 2025, Council authorized several expenditures from this account. Currently, all authorized expenses have been except for payments to Coweta County as approved in July 2025.

Approximate Revenue to be Received:	\$96.00
Total Allocated (Yet to be Spent)	\$3,991
Total Expenses	\$3,991
Budget for SPLOST 2019	-3,895
Anticipated Bank Balance End of Year 2026:	\$176,289

REVENUE:

Date Received:	Payor:	Purpose:	Notes:	Amount Received:
Monthly	Bank OZK	Interest Earned	Received Monthly	\$96.00
			Anticipated Revenue:	\$96.00

REMAINING ALLOCATED (ASSIGNED FUNDS) FUNDS:

Date to be Paid:	Vendor	Purpose:	Notes:	Amount to be Paid:
2026	Coweta County	Road Repair	Ref to Minutes: July 14 ,2025	\$3,991
			Aggregate Allocated:	\$3,991

SPLOST 2025

2026 BUDGET

SUMMARY:

SPLOST 2025 Income started being collected on January 1, 2025

Currently, Council has not authorized any expenditures from the SPLOST 2025 Account.

Approximate Revenue to be Received:	\$100,500
Interest Earned:	\$34
Potential Projects (Parking Lot)	\$20,000
Total Allocated (Yet to be Spent)	\$0
Total Expenses	\$20,000
Budget for SPLOST 2025	\$80,534
Anticipated Bank Balance End of Year 2026:	\$184,085

FLOST 2026

2026 BUDGET

SUMMARY:

FLOST 2026 was approved by Coweta voters in November 2025 and will continue for five years. Coweta County projects Sharpsburg will receive approximately \$92,167 in the first year of collections, i.e., in 2026.

FLOST funds are meant to provide property tax relief. As a result, the expenditure from this account will be placed into the General Fund as a replacement for Current Year Property Taxes upon explicit approval from the Town Council.

It is noted that the Anticipated Bank Balance End of Year 2026 is 22% of the recommended 2026 General Fund Budget. This anticipated amount may serve as the beginning of a fund reserve.

The Government Finance Officers' Association (GFOA) recommends a minimum reserve equivalent to two months of regular general fund operating revenues or expenditures.

Per recommended FY2026 General Fund budget, these anticipated reserves would meet those standards for approximately two and a half months.

Approximate Revenue to be Received:	\$92,167
Approximate Interest Earned:	\$30
Property Taxes (Provided to General Fund)	\$26,180
Total Expenses	\$26,180
Budget for FLOST 2026	\$66,017
Anticipated Bank Balance End of Year 2026:	\$66,017

LOCAL

Rotary honors veterans with keynote, student-led service project

Lt. Col. Carlee Bishop shares stories from 40-year career in flight, defense and education



Members of the Newnan Rotary Club gathered for the VFW's Veterans Day ceremony at Veterans Park. From left are Melissa Payton, Brent Blankenship, Stephen Brown, Kim Debow, Lynn Smith and John Davison.



PHOTOS COURTESY NEWNAN ROTARY CLUB
Lt. Col. Carlee Bishop (retired) accepts a certificate of appreciation from Rotary Club President Kim Debow for her speaking engagement at the Newnan Rotary Club on Tuesday.

BY CLAY NEELY
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A self-described “curious student of life,” Lt. Col. Carlee Bishop (retired) brought humor, humility and hard-earned wisdom to the Rotary Club of Newnan on Wednesday during the club’s annual Veterans Day tribute.

Over the course of her career, Bishop has served as a radar technician, command pilot, military leader and academic program builder, all while balancing roles as a wife, mother and mentor.

“I started out enlisted in the Air Force just trying to figure out how to pay for college,” Bishop told the packed room. “I came in thinking I’d do four years, get the GI Bill and go to school. But once I got in, I had people who believed in me. And that changed everything.” Bishop, a Senoia resident, has more than 3,000 flight hours in aircraft including the C-141 and T-38, and has served in a wide range of roles, from chief of C-141 pilot advanced flight training to director of analytical teams at U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany. She also helped establish the command’s Standing Joint Force Headquarters.

But her journey started with mowing grass and painting sheds.

“As a young enlisted radar technician, I was basically painting buildings,” she said, laughing. “But I got to work around some brilliant senior NCOs, and I was inspired by what they knew and how they carried themselves. I wanted to be like them.” Her application to the Air Force Academy came with resistance from a skeptical commander.

“He told me I was too immature,” she recalled. “And honestly, he was probably right. But I figured, how am I supposed to mature if I don’t get the chance? So I asked him to step aside. Politely.”

She got in, thanks to a supportive officer who mentored her, and later majored in electrical engineering.

“I actually started out in economics,” Bishop said. “But then I took an electrical engi-

neering class, got to play with gadgets, and thought, this is it. This is what I want to do.” Her path to becoming a pilot was equally colorful. Early in her flying days, she learned quickly how to take a joke — and a rough landing.

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— Rotary President Kim Debow

“I had a flight where I pulled the power too early,” she said. “We bounced. A lot. And the chatter started over the headset. ‘Well, I guess we’re definitely on the ground now.’ Another voice chimed in, ‘I think you trained with the Navy.’ That sort of thing. But I could rake the ribbing, and that meant I was part of the team.”

One of her first commanding officers, a lieutenant colonel known as “Doc,” helped her earn credibility with a senior crew.

“He gave me every single takeoff and landing during an eight-day mission,” she said. “At the time I thought he was just tough. Later I realized he was building my reputation.” After retiring from active duty, Bishop continued her service

in academia, teaching astronomical engineering at the U.S. Air Force Academy, systems engineering at Georgia Tech and applied technology at Agnes Scott College.

“Teaching forces you to really learn the material,” she said. “I was teaching orbital mechanics and spacecraft design, which wasn’t even my original field. But I was curious, and curiosity has gotten me through a lot.” At Georgia Tech, Bishop helped launch a master’s program in sys-

tems engineering, something that had failed in earlier attempts.

“I didn’t know it had failed before,” she said with a grin. “They kept that part quiet.”

The program was eventually approved and remains active today.

Now semi-retired, Bishop remains deeply involved in mentoring, tutoring GED students and supporting makerspace initiatives in Decatur.

“There’s a little selfishness in it,” she admitted. “I just love being around people who are learning.”

She closed her address by reflecting on how military service shaped her — and continues to shape others.

“The things you learn in the military follow you forever,” Bishop said. “Service becomes part of your DNA. My dad was a Korean War vet. My husband served. My husband served. We built a culture of service, and I’m grateful for that.”

Rotary students team up to honor veterans.

In the week leading up to Veterans Day, the Rotary Club of Newnan partnered with the Newnan High School Interact Club for a service project aimed at honoring both local and



Jessie Bourroughs reads a greeting card featuring original patriotic artwork created by Newnan High art students.

overseas veterans. During a joint meeting at the high school, Rotary members and students came together to sign a large tribute banner and write personal messages of thanks inside greeting cards. The cards featured original patriotic artwork created by Newnan High art students.

“We’re grateful for Print Source for helping us with our banner and printing of cards,” said Rotary President Kim Debow. “It shows what we can do when we partner with our young people in the schools.”

incredible job for organizing everything as our Service Projects Chair.

The banner was later displayed at the VFW’s Veterans Day ceremony at Veterans Park, and the remaining cards will be shipped overseas to service members currently deployed.

“It was a small effort with a huge impact,” said Rotary President Kim Debow. “It shows what we can do when we partner with our young people in the schools.”



A banner with the signatures from members of the Newnan Rotary Club and Newnan Interact Club hangs in Veterans Park.

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The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2026 has been presented to the Town Council of the Town of Sharpsburg. A copy of the proposed budget document will be available for public inspection at the office of the Town Clerk, Sharpsburg Town Hall, during normal business hours—Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Town Council will conduct a public hearing on the proposed budget at 6:00 p.m., December 1, 2025, in the A&O Bridges Community Center located at Sharpsburg Town Hall, 105 Main Street, Sharpsburg, Georgia. Public comment on the proposed budget will be accepted at this time.

On January 5, 2026, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Sharpsburg, Georgia will adopt the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 Budget at its regular meeting to be held in the A&O Bridges Community Center at Sharpsburg Town Hall, 105 Main Street, Sharpsburg, Georgia, at 6:00pm. A copy of the adopted budget will be on file in the office of the Town Clerk, Sharpsburg Town Hall.

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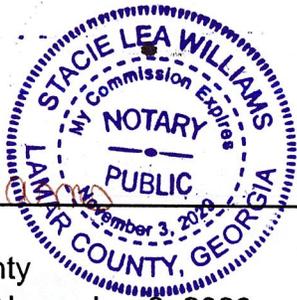
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