

TOWN OF SHARPSBURG

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

February 16, 2004

An open and public hearing, posted pursuant to the open meetings law, was held on Monday, February 16, 2004, at 6:30 pm in the Town of Sharpsburg at the Bridges Recreation Center.

Present were the following: Wendell Staley, Mayor; Derrick McElwaney, Mayor Pro-Tem; Clay Cole, Council Member; Larry Hyde, Council Member; Stan Parten, Council Member; Robin Spradlin, Town Clerk; Donna Camp, Assistant Town Clerk; twenty-five citizens of the Town of Sharpsburg.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive public input and comments on the development of a new Comprehensive Plan, Town Master Plan and Development Regulations.

The Mayor opened the meeting by welcoming all citizens and explaining the purpose of the meeting. He then introduced Paul Muldawer, David Lackey and Carol Muldawer of Muldawer & Associates, Architects and Town Planners.

Paul Muldawer explained the development of a Master Town Plan and David Lackey explained the Comprehensive Plan to the citizens. Paul Muldawer led the citizens through a "visual preference survey" using numerous pictures of local building types and neighborhood environments. This was conducted in order to help develop community consensus on the quality of development desired. The citizens viewed 48 slides and graded them from A to F, on how much they liked or disliked them. These opinions would be tallied and results presented at the next planning meeting. After the slide show, everyone in attendance was invited to give their visions and ideas for the future of Sharpsburg.

The date for the first public planning charette was set for Monday, February 26th. There was no official action taken and the Public Hearing was adjourned.

Robin L. Spradlin
Town Clerk