

**TOWN OF SHARPSBURG
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**

June 11, 2007

A regular meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, June 11, 2007, at 7:00pm, in the Town of Sharpsburg at the Bridges Recreation Center.

Present were the following: Wendell Staley, Mayor; Clay Cole, Council Member; Larry Hyde, Council Member; Stan Parten, Council Member; and Donna Camp, Town Clerk. Council Member McElwaney was absent.

Also present were: Bobby Sills, Polly Garlington, Gwen Lyons, Cindy Neal, Alex McRae, Lee Coleman and Herb Bridges.

Mayor Staley called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on May 7, 2006 were reviewed and approved.

Mayor Staley called for first reading of the charter amendment ordinance for Ad Valorem Tax Levies which would change the adoption process from an ordinance to a resolution. Council Member Parten motioned to accept first reading, Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for first reading of the charter amendment ordinance for the Oaths of Offices which would update the oaths. Council Member Parten motioned to accept first reading, Council Member Hyde seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to consider compensation for the Mayor and Council starting in January 2008 after the November election. Council Member Cole motioned the Mayor position receive \$100 (one hundred dollars) per month for travel and expenses and the Council would not receive compensation at this time. Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for first reading of the charter amendment ordinance for Mayor and Town Council Compensation with the Mayor's position receiving \$100 (one hundred dollars) per month for travel and expenses. Council Member Parten motioned to accept first reading, Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for first reading of the charter amendment ordinance for the Terms of Office which would stagger the elections for the 2007 elections. Currently the Mayor and Council serve four year terms on the same years. For the 2007 elections, Post #2 & #4 will be for a one-time 2 year term. The Mayor's, Post #1 & #3 will be for four year terms. Council Member Cole motioned to accept first reading, Council Member Hyde seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Fall Festival - Eric Richards of the Sharpsburg Merchants Association delivered a letter to the Town office for the Mayor and Council requesting a time line for the Streetscapes Project and how it would affect the Sharpsburg Fall Festival which is being held on September 14-16, 2007. Town Clerk Camp stated that she had contacted the engineer's that are overseeing the TE Project and when the notice to proceed from GDOT arrives the bids for construction will be advertised and a selection will be made by the Town and approved by GDOT. She said the bidding process and approval of a contract should take until the end of August. She recommended the Town postpone actual construction until after the Fall Festival. A copy of the letter is attached to these minutes.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to postpone construction on the TE Project until after the September 14-16, 2007 Fall Festival. Council Member Cole motioned to postpone the construction, Council Member Parten, seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley polled the Council for comments - There were none.

Mayor's Minutes - There were none.

Clerk's Comments -

Effective June 1st the Town's trash service will no longer be with Allied Waste. Cardinal Sanitation will be taking over the Town's trash pickup. They have assured the Town that there shouldn't be any disruption in service and the pickup will still be on Thursday's.

Public Comments -

Herb Bridges -

- Sidewalks - Discussed earlier
- Budget Amendment - As stated at the June council meeting the budget amendment will be put on hold for 60-90 days
- Council Meeting Procedures Ordinance - Currently under consideration for changes

Polly Garlington -

- Budget - Preparation of the 2008 budget will begin in August or September.
- Council Meeting Procedures Ordinance - Currently under consideration for changes

There being no further business coming before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Donna M. Camp
Town Clerk