

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

April 1, 2019

A regular meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, April 1, 2019, at 6:05 pm, at the Sharpsburg Recreation Center.

Present were the following members: Mayor Blue Cole, Council Member Tom Teagle, Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike, Council Member Stan Parten, Town Clerk Deannia Roberson. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good was absent.

Also, in attendance were Polly Garlington, Eric Richards and Dawn Richards.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The minutes of the March 4, 2019 Council Meeting were reviewed. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Town Clerk Deannia Roberson discussed the Resolution to recognize Georgia Cities Week, April 21-27, 2019 and to encourage all citizens to support the celebration and corresponding events. She stated that during spring break April 1-5, 2019, Town Hall will be getting some high school students to help organize storage areas and work on compiling files for records retention. During the week of April 8-12, 2019, the Town will be hosting a Spring-Cleaning week by providing dumpster services for all household garbage and bulk items to help beautify the community. The Cub Scouts will also be here April 9th to help the Mayor clean up the library grounds by adding mulch and removing yard debris. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike made a motion to approve the Resolution recognizing Georgia Cities Week. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Town Clerk Deannia Roberson discussed the Resolution for the Records Management Program. She stated that by adopting this Resolution, the Town of Sharpsburg is protected by utilizing the Georgia Records Act and adhering by State rules and regulations pertaining to records management. It enables us to consolidate all record management operations by preserving historical records. She also discussed reaching out to Coweta County to rent shelf space to help store and preserve the records in a facility that is climate controlled. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike made a motion to approve the Resolution for the Records Management Program. Council Member Stan Parten seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3 to 1. The no vote being cast by Council Member Tom Teagle who is opposed to adopting the Resolution for the Records Management Program.

Mayor Blue Cole discussed the Resolution in Honor of the opening of Interstate 85 Exit 44 (Popular Road Interchange). Mayor Cole stated that he would like to proclaim Thursday, April 4th, 2019 Exit 44 Day in the Town of Sharpsburg and would like all citizens to know all the work

involved in providing the new interchange and to recognize the contributions which this project makes to help reduce travel times and congestion and it also provides increased access to the roads for the surrounding communities. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the Resolution in Honor of the Opening of Exit 44 from Interstate 85. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Blue Cole discussed the Traffic Engineering Services Proposal. After Council discussed issues with the proposal and funding for the services. They all decided to move forward with the study and then weigh out their options and would use SPLOST funds to cover the services. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the Traffic Engineering Services Proposal to see what options would be at this time. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Blue Cole asked Council Member Tom Teagle to discuss the quotes for the mini split system for the library. After review and consideration from all quotes Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to approve the quote from Coweta-Fayette Heating and Air for a 2-ton heat pump in the amount of \$3,905.00 and to use SPLOST funding. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business:

Mayor Blue Cole discussed our information technology situation and stated the Finance Committee has approved GMA's IT in a Box agreement. We have money in the budget for this item which we are working on a Safety and Liability Grant to reduce the monthly cost. The Town Clerk stated that out of ten items needed for the grant, the Town is only compliant with two of the items. They will be working to comply by adding different policies and procedures and more detailed reporting. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to accept the agreement with GMA It in a Box. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3 to 1. The no vote being cast by Council Member Tom Teagle who is opposed to Georgia Municipal's IT in a Box agreement.

Public Comments – Eric Richards asked if signs could be put directing people to the Bridges Recreation Center.

Clerks Comments – Town Clerk Deannia Roberson stated that she and the Mayor worked on a grant with DOT and the Town has received a check in the amount of \$5,158.96 for the LMIG (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) from Georgia Department of Transportation. We must match \$1,547.69 for the grant to clean drainpipes/culverts, culvert replacement and preliminary engineering to pave Hanes Trail. She also discussed receiving a check for \$132.00 where she applied for the Georgia Power Commercial Energy Efficiency Program when they bought the new LED bulbs for the recreation center.

Town Clerk has collected 35 business licenses with one more to act on. She has reached out to him numerous times and they have not tried to renew the business license. Mayor Cole suggested sending Code Enforcement to visit the business owner.

Town Clerk has ordered a sign for playground hours/rules as well as a picnic table for the parents to have somewhere to sit while their children are playing. We also ordered a pet poop station and some signs so that animal owners will clean up after their pet in the Town park.

Mayor's Minutes – Mayor Cole stated that he has repaired all the vandalism in the playground. The gate was fixed, the slide was repaired, the mats were put down and the picnic table was placed in the playground area. The next big project will be working on the back lot. We are meeting with the County to discuss repairing the parking lot and doing some site engineering. We also are looking at expanding the playground and will discuss putting more equipment out there at a later date. We will use SPLOST funding for this project. The container will be repositioned and painted so it will look nice. I am working with the Newnan Art Res-artist residency program to come out and paint it. I have talked with Home Depot about donating paint for some community projects. We are working with the County to replace and refresh some signage around town. I am also working with the Central Education center to get proposals for new entrance signs for Sharpsburg. I do want to get a quote for new street signs and would like to brand our identity with maybe a white background with black font and maybe add the town seal. We will have a spring-cleaning dumpster provided by Waste Industries at no cost to us. We will be monitoring the trash drop offs. The cub scouts will be here next week to help refresh the grounds at the library. The mini split system will be installed and hopefully can start renting it out soon. I dropped off a landscaping ordinance to Dollar General today and reminded them to replace the mulch, change the light bulbs that have blown and to replace the shutters that have fallen off the building. As a Council, we need to start looking at our Business/Occupational, inspection fees that SafeBuilt is charging. When someone comes in to pay for a permit, the inspection fees are more than what is getting paid. We have had a few citizens to show interest in volunteering for the Citizen Committees and I will start directing them to the Council Members in which field they are interested in.

Mayor Cole asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole asked for a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole asked for a motion to approve the hiring of a part time Librarian and salary to be funded with the Library general supplies account in the General Fund. Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to hire a part time Librarian. Council Member Stan Parten seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

There being no further business coming before the Council, Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to adjourn, Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.



Deannia L. Roberson, Town Clerk

