

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

January 6, 2020

A regular meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday January 6, 2020 at 6:00 pm at the A & O Bridges Community Center.

Present were the following: Mayor Blue Cole, Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good, Council Member Stan Parten, Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike, Council Member Tom Teagle, Deputy Town Clerk Julie Stroud and Attorney Brad Sears.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Deputy Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The Mayor made a motion to amend the agenda to have State Senator Matt Brass, and Coweta County Sheriff Lynn Wood who were guests that evening speak first ahead of the review of minutes and new business. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to amend the agenda. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. it. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Senator Brass took the floor and provided an updated some of the important activities the State Senate has been discussing. Some of the topics include:

- Number of bills. 9 this past year
- State budget \$200K short
- Rural Broad Band costs
- Mental health services
- Cost of insurance, including Medicare and Medicaid
- Foster Care

Sheriff Wood took the floor and spoke about:

- Open positions on his force (7) and current headcount (300)
- Transition stage for him
- Community events
- More direct calls to area's personal officers
- Speeding in the Town of Sharpsburg - Sheriff Wood wanted to let us know that he is working on this issue with his officers - he is trying to organize a regular watch for the area.

The minutes of the December 30, 2019 Council Meeting were reviewed. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

New Business -

Attorney Brad Sears administered the oaths of office to Mayor Blue Cole, Council Member Post 3 Tom Teagle and Council Member Post 1 Stan Parten. Attorney Sears turned the meeting over to Mayor Blue Cole.

Mayor Cole discussed the Resolution to amend the 2019 budget. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the Resolution to amend the 2019 General Fund Budget to re-appropriate the amount of \$23,311.00. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business -

Mayor Cole discussed the 2nd Reading and Resolution to adopt the 2020 Budget. After discussion with Council and the public, Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the 2nd Reading and Resolution to Adopt the 2020 Budget as presented. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole discussed instructor fees and the daily building usage costs. The average cost per day was determined to be \$14.60. This amount is a total average from the water and electric bills only and does not include supplies, insurance or any other charges. Instructor fees will remain the same and Mayor Cole has asked all Instructors to use a generic attendee sign in sheet and to pay on a regular basis. No action taken.

Public Comments - None

Polling of the Council -

- Stan Parten said that we should see about getting meeting dates posted on website and the newspaper in order to get more attendees.
- Cynthia Puckett-Pike stated that Turin's water bills have their Council meeting dates posted on it. We should find out if that is possible for Sharpsburg.
- Elizabeth Good stated that the speed limit sign at her driveway is going to be removed so the Coweta County Deputies can sit near her driveway.
- Tom Teagle - N/A

Clerks Comments - None

Mayor's Minutes -

- Thanked everyone for coming
- Moving forward into 2020
- Work plans
- Amenities & Activities Meetings
- Continued attendance and input. Bring us your ideas
- Spoke about the Jungle Book performance by the Serenbe Theatre Group
- Please help yourself to cake and refreshments

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



Julie C. Stroud, Deputy Town Clerk