

TOWN OF SHARPSBURG

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

A & O Bridges Community Center
105 Main Street, Sharpsburg GA

October 4, 2021

POST AGENDA

6:00PM

Call Council Meeting to Order

Mayor Cole called the October 4, 2021, Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Cole introduced the Boy Scout's Arrow of Light Den #13 out of Southwest Christian Church, and he stated Den #13 would lead all in the Pledge of Allegiance, the Scout Oath, and the Scout Law.

Den #13 led all in the Pledge of Allegiance, and then gave the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Establish Quorum

Town Clerk Floyd Jones stated there was a quorum of the Council present.

Review/Approval of Minutes:

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Councilmember Puckett-Pike moved to approve the minutes. Councilmember Teagle seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Councilmember Parten not present.

New Business:

1. Fiscal Year 2022 Personnel Budget

Mayor Cole briefed the Council on proposed funding for three town positions.

The Council did not vote on this item.

2. Pine Straw Bids- Park and Pavilion

Councilmember Good moved to accept Breaking Ground's quote for the purchase and installation of pine straw in the amount of \$2,007. Councilman Teagle seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Councilmember Parten not present.

3. Newnan Coweta Magazine Advertisement

Councilmember Good moved to authorize the expenditure of \$900 on the advertisement. Councilmember Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Councilmember Parten not present.

4. Alcohol Ordinance Amendment- Dollar General

Mayor Cole stated there are several different issues regarding alcohol to be discussed.

The Council agreed to have Attorney Sears review the Alcohol Ordinances for the matters discussed. The Council also agreed to have a work session to discuss these matters further.

Old Business:

1. Resolution adopting the 2021-2041 Comprehensive Plan.

Councilmember Good moved to adopt the 2021-2041 Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion passed 3-1-1 with Councilmember Teagle voting in opposition and Councilmember Parten not present.

2. Code Enforcement

Mayor Cole updated the Council that two businesses are operating without a business license.

The Council took no action on this matter.

3. 150th Anniversary

Mayor Cole stated there is a tentative schedule for the Town's 150th anniversary, and he described some of the events planned for the anniversary. Discussion followed.

The Council did not act on this item.

Public Comments:

Polly Garrington: Ms. Garrington stated that when Dollar General was built in town, they were given three exemptions prior to building, and it upset the citizens living around the store. She said the citizens will be even more upset if Dollar General is now allowed to sell alcohol.

Polling of Council:

Councilmember Elizabeth Good: Councilmember Good wanted to discuss Dollar General and questioned why the town is providing sewer availability to them when it is up to Dollar General to fix their own problems. Discussion followed.

Clerks Minutes:

GMA District 4 Meeting: Town Clerk Floyd Jones stated there would be a Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) District 4 meeting in Newnan on Wednesday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. He said staff had been invited to attend so he, Julie Stroud, and Angie Moore would attend. He added that this would be a time for information on the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) would be provided. He further stated that with staff going in attendance, there would be a time on Wednesday when Town Hall will be temporarily closed.

Election Day: Town Clerk reminded the Council that Election Day is Tuesday, November 2. As a result, there is not a regularly scheduled meeting on that date.

November 8, 2021: Town Clerk Floyd Jones stated the next scheduled meeting would be on Monday, November 8, 2021.

Mayor's Updates:

Budget Update: Mayor Cole stated that the town, as of September 2021, has received 90% of its budget but has spent only 66% of expenses. He added that the town had received 105% of its SPLOST budget.

Council did not act on this item.

Projects List: Mayor Cole stated he has listed all the projects he has worked on in the past year, and he provided the list to the Board. Discussion followed about having a town decorating time on the Friday and Saturday after Thanksgiving. Discussion followed about decorating the town. The mayor highlighted the Beckham House, a refresh of either the interior or exterior, downtown parking, and signage at the gateways.

Council did not act on this update.

Downtown Bathrooms: Mayor Cole floated the idea of purchasing mobile restroom trailers to help address the bathroom issues. He stated the town needs bathrooms, and this may be a solution. Discussion followed.

Council did not act on this update.

Upcoming Work Session: It was decided that the Town Clerk would reach out to Council in the coming days to schedule a Work Session to discuss the alcohol items.

Executive Session:

There was no Executive Session Meeting.

Adjournment:

Councilmember Puckett-Pike moved to adjourn the October 4, 2021, Town Council Meeting. Councilmember Good seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0-1 with Councilmember Parten not present.

The October 4, 2021, Town of Sharpsburg Council Meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Floyd L. Jones, Town Clerk

