

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

January 5, 2004

A regular meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, January 5, 2004, at 7:00 p.m., 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; Derrick McElwaney, Council Member; Stan Parten, Council Member; Robin Spradlin, Town Clerk and Brad Parrott, Town Attorney.

Also in attendance: Alvin Arrowood, Polly Garlington, Mrs. Lyons, Celene Davenport, Margaret and Michael Staley, Sarah Fay Campbell and the Boy Scout Troup 46 of Turin.

Clerk Robin Spradlin called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

After being duly sworn, Clerk Robin Spradlin administered the oaths of office to Mayor Wendell Staley, and Council Members Clay Cole, Larry Hyde, Derrick McElwaney and Stan Parten. Terms of offices to be served thru December 31, 2007.

Clerk Robin Spradlin verified there was a quorum present.

Council Member Parten motioned to appoint Council Member McElwaney to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem. Council Member Hyde seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Pro-Tem McElwaney to serve thru December 31, 2007.

After being duly sworn, Clerk Robin Spradlin administered the oath of office to Code Enforcement Officer David Westra.

The minutes of the public hearing and meeting of Council held on December 1, 2003, were reviewed and approved as written by unanimous vote, and were filed in the minute book of the Town.

Gloria Tinsley of Sharpsburg on Stage submitted to Council a proposal to use the Bridges Recreation Center for two additional theatrical performances in 2004. Council Member Parten motioned to accept proposal on all points with the exception that SOS cannot use the Town's post office box; with details and dates to be worked out later. Council Member Hyde seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Millie Williams of the Old Town Sharpsburg Piecemakers appeared before Council to request permission to use the Bridges Recreation Center free of charge during the Christmas Open House held the 1st full weekend in November. The Center is already rented on that Saturday to Rachel Ferguson. Council suggested if Rachel would swap her weekend, the Piecemakers could use the building for that weekend.

"A Sense of Place" video produced by the Georgia Cities Foundation was shown to Council and audience. Perry Hiott of GMA had been scheduled to present and explain the video but was unable to attend.

Mayor Staley called for second reading and adoption of 2004 Operating and Splost fund budgets. Council Member Parten motioned to adopt 2004 budgets as submitted. Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried, unanimously. Mayor Staley signed budget resolution.

Council Member Cole motioned to adopt and establish the millage rate for the 2004 tax year at 3.0 mills as proposed in the 2004 operating budget. Council Member McElwaney seconded. Motion carried, unanimously. Council signed Resolution.

Mayor Staley called for second reading and adoption of the Ordinance for Council Meeting Procedures (04-01). Council Member Hyde motioned to adopt and enact said Ordinance. Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for second reading and adoption of the Ordinance for Speed Limits (04-02). Council Member McElwaney motioned to adopt and enact said Ordinance. Council Member Hyde seconded. Motion carried, unanimously. Finance Committee instructed to order and install appropriate signage.

Mayor Staley offered congratulations to Celene Davenport for her recent naturalization and United States citizenship.

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

Robin L. Spradlin
Town Clerk