

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

October 15, 2007

A called meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, October 15, 2007, at 6:30pm, in the Town of Sharpsburg at the Bridges Recreation Center.

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

Mayor Staley called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

The Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The minutes of the Council Meeting held on July 23, 2007 were reviewed and approved.

Bobby Sills of Nelsnick Enterprises gave updates on several projects that he has been working on for the Town:

- MUTS Study - Presented the final Multi-Use Trail System Study to the Mayor and Council for their consideration and approval.
- Comprehensive Plan Amendment Update - Mr. Sills presented the updated Short Term Work Program/Capital Improvements Program and Population modifications for the Council to review. At the November Council Meeting there will be a Public Hearing on the Comp. Plan Amendment. The Amendment will be sent to the Department of Community Affairs and Chatt-Flint RDC for review.
- Georgia Recreational Trails Grant Proposal - The Department of Natural Resources are accepting applications for a Georgia Recreational Trails Grant. The maximum grant award is \$100,000 with a 20% match from the local government. The funds can be used for design, engineering and easement acquisitions.
- LCI Study - The Atlanta Regional Commission offers the Livable Centers Initiative that encourages local governments to plan and implement strategies that link transportation improvements with land use development strategies to create sustainable, livable communities consistent with regional development policies. The Town submitted an application in 2006 and was denied. Mr. Sills would like to update the application and resubmit to the ARC.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to amend the agenda to add LCI application update for consideration. Council Member McElwaney motioned to amend the agenda, Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to allow Nelsnick Enterprises to update the LCI application and resubmit to the Atlanta Regional Commission for consideration. Nelsnick Enterprises \$700 fee will only be paid if the Town is designated a LCI Community. Council Member Cole motioned to allow Nelsnick Enterprises to update the LCI Application, Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Polly Garlington of the Sharpsburg Tree Committee gave a current status on the trees in the town limits. A copy of the recommendations and pictures are attached to these minutes. Council Member Cole suggested that we contact the County Arborist to see if they could be of any help.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to get proposals on trimming some of the trees that are in need of pruning. Council Member Cole motioned to get proposals, Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley presented a resolution to adopt the Multi-Use Trail System Study. Council Member McElwaney motioned to approve the resolution. Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to allow Nelsnick Enterprises to prepare the application for the Georgia Recreational Trail Grant and submit it to the Department of Natural Resources for consideration. Nelsnick Enterprises \$700 fee will only be paid if the Town is awarded the grant. Council Member Parten motioned to allow Nelsnick Enterprises to prepare the application for the Georgia Recreational Trail Grant, Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried with a show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley presented resolution to proclaim Saturday, January 5, 2008, as "Bring One for the Chipper Day" in the Town of Sharpsburg. Coweta-Fayette EMC will again provide chipper, truck and employee to help recycle Christmas trees. Participants will be given a tree seedling when they drop off their trees. This program is a part of our Solid Waste Management STWP. Council Member Parten motioned to approve resolution. Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried by show of hands, unanimously.

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

Mayor's Minutes - The Sharpsburg Municipal Elections are on November 6th, everyone please come and vote.

Clerk's Comments -

- The streetscapes bid proposals have been sent to GDOT for approval. After GDOT sends their approval of the bidder the Mayor and Council will accept the bids. The lowest bidder was Latimer & Hughes Construction.
- GMA District 4 Fall Meeting is on Thursday, October 18, 2007 at the Senoia Senior Center at 6:30pm. There will be an update on upcoming issues for the 2008 Legislative Session concerning local cities. House and Senate Representatives will be present to answer questions.
- Campaign Disclosure Statements run through October 25, 2007. Have them turned in to the Town Clerk no later than Tuesday, October 30, 2007.
- The November Council Meeting will be held on November 12, 2007 at 6:30pm.

Public Comments -

- Polly Garlington - Right of way cutting
- Herb Bridges - Streetscapes update

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

Donna M. Camp
Town Clerk