

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

March 2, 2020

A regular meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, March 2, 2020, at 6:16 pm, at the Sharpsburg Recreation Center.

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

Mayor Cole introduced the Girl Scouts Troop # 20019 and they led The Pledge of Allegiance.

The Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

Mayor Cole announced the Public Hearing to review the rezoning application from JHJ Sharpsburg 65, LLC and RCB Sharpsburg 35, LLC at 6:00 p.m. and after review from Public and Council Members, closed the Public Hearing at 6:15 p.m. Minutes attached.

The corrected minutes of the January 6, 2020 Council Meeting were reviewed. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Council Member Elizabeth Good seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The minutes of the February 3, 2020 Council meeting were reviewed. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The minutes of the February 10, 2020 Town Council Work Session were reviewed. Council Member Elizabeth Good made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Comments -

Mayor Cole introduced speaker Judge John Simpson, with Coweta Judicial Services. Judge Simpson stated that he has been Chief Judge for four years and serves Carroll, Heard, Coweta Counties. He has 24 years as Superior Court Judge and has served 34 years in elected services. He stated that he and Mayor Cole worked together on the Parental Accountability Court an innovative child support program that started in 2009 and is still the most innovative program they have.

Mayor Cole introduced guest speaker Cynthia Bennett, with Newnan Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Bennett stated that the 2020 Census will start on April 1, 2020. They are starting a Coweta Counts program that will encourage all Coweta citizens to participate in the census. Post cards will be mailed out in March and they can respond via internet. No door to door visits is planned but will start in August

New Business

Mayor Cole discussed the 1st reading to adopt the Ordinance to rezone property located off McIntosh Trail. He stated that we have received an application for re-zoning parcel number 136 1122 001A from R1 (Rural Residential District) zoning classification to PCD (Planned Community District) zoning classifications subject to the conditions and the requirements set out in the Coweta County RI-B District and other Coweta County Commission approvals and conditions as submitted in the rezoning application. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to approve the 1st reading to adopt the ordinance to rezone property as submitted. Council Member Cynthia Puckett Pike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole discussed the Roadside Enhancement and Beautification Council (REBC) grant program. The REBC Grant Program provides funding for roadside enhancement and beautification projects along Georgia's roadsides. The funding for grants comes from contributory value fees paid by outdoor advertising companies to Georgia DOT for vegetation removal at outdoor advertising signs. The funds may be used only for landscape plant material and its installation for the furtherance of roadside enhancement and beautification projects along state routes in Georgia. Mayor Cole stated that Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) is now accepting applications for 2020 grants and will be talking to ECHS horticulture department to see if they would like to help with Town entrance enhancements. We are only limited to one location. After a brief discussion Council talked about the Hwy 16/Hwy 54 location north of Dollar General. No action taken.

Mayor Cole discussed the quotes to repair the damaged fence located at Arbor Valley Landscaping. He stated that someone jumped the fence and stole their box truck full of equipment. They drove thru our fence and as of today they haven't found the truck nor their equipment. We received three quotes to replace the damaged fence only. When we go out to bid for the back-parking lot, we will replace all the fence at that time.

1. Clements Fence \$1,017.00
2. JP Fencing \$1,766.57
3. Fencing Unlimited \$1,807.51

Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to award Clements Fence in the amount of \$1,017.00. Council member Elizabeth Good seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole discussed the Resolution to recognize Georgia cities Week April 19 - 25, 2020. The Town encourages all citizens, Town Government Officials and Employees to do everything possible to ensure that this week is recognized and celebrated accordingly. We will be asking Waste Industries/GFL Environmental, Inc. to donate dumpsters again this year so we can help clean up the neighborhood. We will allow our residents to dump household garbage and yard debris during business hours and ask for civic involvement to help the elderly or disabled. We can ask the local boy scouts' troop to help man the dumpsters a couple of hours. Council Member Elizabeth Good made a motion to adopt the Resolution - Recognizing Georgia Cities Week April 19 - 25, 2020. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business

None

Polling of the Council -

Stan Parten - n/a

Elizabeth Good - n/a

Cynthia Puckett-Pike - n/a

Tom Teagle - asked about sewer negotiations. Mayor Cole stated there were no changes but wants to talk to County to lift the restrictions on above 55 and older and commercial only usage.

Clerk's Minutes -

Town Clerk Deannia Roberson reported that 85% of the 2020 occupational tax/business license have been collected.

Mayor's Minutes -

Mayor Cole thanked everyone for coming. He stated the speed tables were on the way and should be here Wednesday. They will be dropped off at Arbor Valley and he will be contacting Council Members about the quotes for installation as well as the signs.

Mayor Cole is waiting on Christopher Brothers to finish the contour map so we can get the engineer to start work on preparing the back-lot improvements.

Mayor Cole discussed the Jungle Book presentation and they have only sold two tickets. We will look at rescheduling this maybe in the fall.

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.



Deannia Roberson
Town Clerk