# TOWN OF SHARPSBURG MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

# February 1, 2021

A scheduled meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the A & O Bridges Community Center.

Present were the following: Mayor Blue Cole, Council Member Stan Parten, Council Member Tom Teagle, Town Clerk Deannia Roberson-Ray, and Deputy Town Clerk Julie Stroud.

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good, Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike, and Attorney Brad Sears.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The minutes of the January 11, 2021 Town 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.

## **New Business**

The Mayor asked the Council to review the Memorandum of Agreement between Sharpsburg and Three Rivers Regional Commission for the Comprehensive Plan which will run from January 2021 until October 2021. Upon review, Council Member Tom Teagle asked if we are under obligation to mirror their plan and score. The Mayor responded no, but our Town Attorney could answer that question in more detail. A motion was made by Council Member Stan Parten to accept the Agreement as presented. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous note.

## Old Business None.

#### **Public Comments**

Tanner Thomas, a resident of Sharpsburg and General Contractor has been looking at the land across from the Dollar General store on Highway 54. He offered the Town of Sharpsburg \$140,000 for the property to build a storage facility there. His vision is based on his experience with a shortage of storage facilities in the area. He stated that especially with the Twelve Parks community being built out there will be people with boats and

RV's needing storage. In addition, he would like to propose a climate control metal storage facility, hundreds of parking spaces, sell propane, and an office with a bathroom. He anticipates having one maintenance person, along with an office manager running the operation. As a general contractor, he would ensure that it will be aesthetically nice. The property isn't for sale and the Mayor and the Council took no action at this time. The Mayor explained that the Council will go into Executive Session at a future date and the Town's attorney must be consulted with. No action was taken.

#### **Executive Session**

The Mayor asked for motion to go into an Executive Session to discuss the details of an acquisition of real estate. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to go into Executive Session. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

The Mayor asked for a motion to exit the Executive Session. Council Member Stan Parten made a motion to exit the Executive Session. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

# Polling of Council

Council Member Stan Parten would like to have the trash service in the town rebid. Town Clerk Deannia Roberson-Ray advised Council Member Parten that staff is currently working on a procurement policy in which a bid process will be outlined. We have several contracts that need to go out for bid.

Council Member Tom Teagle stated that we need to let people know how to handle yard waste. Town Clerk, Deannia Roberson-Ray stated the residents must call in for a yard debris pickup and we turn around and email that request to GFL Environmental. However, they will not pick up anything over 4 foot in length. Librarian, Brandy Phelps will be working on a newsletter to mail out to Town residents and we will add this request in the newsletter.

## **Clerks Comments**

The Financial Disclosure for all Council Members is due June 1<sup>st</sup> by the Board of Elections/Secretary of State's office. Please check your e-mails for the paperwork.

## **Mayor's Closing Comments**

Coweta County came out to look at our parking lot and recommended rotating the detention pond. And gave a timeline of September and October for the back parking lot construction to begin.

The Mayor discussed the Department of Transportation LMIG Grant. Mayor Cole would like to see a sidewalk project for Terrentine, Church, Main Street, or Williams Circle. The money we have on hand will not cover the whole project so we will be required to match 30%. If Council doesn't agree to put in a sidewalk project, the Mayor will provide information on what else can be done with the money. If we do not use the money within a certain time, the DOT will take the money back.

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

Julie Stroud, Deputy Town Clerk

