

TOWN OF SHARPSBURG
MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

May 10, 2021

A rescheduled meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6:00 PM at the A & O Bridges Community Center.

Present were the following: Mayor Blue Cole, Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good (arrived at 7:20 PM), Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike, Council Member Tom Teagle, Town Clerk Deannia Roberson-Ray, Deputy Town Clerk Julie Stroud, Attorney Brad Sears, and videographer Allen Nolan.

Absent were the following: Council Member Stan Parten

Guests: Tom & Debra Bowman residents.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Clerk verified there was a quorum present of Mayor Blue Cole, Council Member Tom Teagle and Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike.

Work Session

Various sewer septic issues were discussed. A long-term solution for Dollar General is an option to connect a commercial sewer line to the stub on McIntosh Trail which would run to Keg Creek Treatment Plant near Reese Road and McIntosh Trail. Coweta County Water and Sewer is willing to split the cost of a Conceptual Plan with us and Dollar General. Cost for this plan is \$3,000, so it would be \$1,000.00 each. Planning and preparing for the future is very important now, making sure what we do is sized for current and future growth of the Town. Mayor Cole is researching looking for grants, loan funding. The County uses Krebs Engineering for their Conceptual Plans. Next step is for the Commercial Hwy 54 line to be approved allocating \$1,000.00 for the Conceptual Plan.

Team Hungry and the property owner would like to see a Conceptual Plan for the connection to the municipal septic system serving Town Hall. The Department of Public Health asks that we put in a septic tank sized by the customer load of Team Hungry and expand the leech field by seventy-five feet or more. Integrated Science & Engineering will do the design for downtown septic connection, Team Hungry has their own contractor to make the connection between the town system and their establishment. Discussed was a monthly charge to the tenant for wastewater. Mayor Cole said an amendment to the agenda would be the next step to get \$1,000.00 for the Highway 54 North Conceptual Plan approved. Council Member Tom Teagle wants to

hold off so that Council Member Elizabeth Good and Council Member Stan Parten are present to approve it also. This item will be moved to our next meeting's agenda.

Regular Session

The minutes of the April 12, 2021 Town Council Meeting were approved. Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike seconded the motion. The motion was carried by unanimous vote.

New Business

Bids were reviewed for the purchase of the audio/video equipment for the Community Center for meetings and Town Hall installation of a customer supplied screen for security surveillance monitoring. Blue Collar Media was recommended by Town Clerk Deannia Roberson-Ray in the amount of \$2,601.00. Mayor Cole asked for a motion. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike made a motion to award the bid to Blue Collar Media in the amount of \$2,601.00. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business - N/A

Public Comments

Tom Bowman, guest, asked the Mayor about traffic issues. He is worried about the increasing volume of cars on the road in the area. Mayor Cole explained that we had a TSPLOST project on the books. One of our suggested projects is make the Twelve Parks Sub-Division interconnected with our community. Mayor Cole is working with the Georgia Department of Transportation and the County's Department of Public Works on various related topics of concern.

Polling of Council No comments or questions.

Clerks Comments

Town Clerk, Deannia Roberson-Ray brought attention to the annual audit that was finalized by Mauldin & Jenkins CPAs for 2020 that was completed in March. The 2020 Annual Audit and Accountant Report proved that all areas were- in compliance with the Official Code of Georgia ending December 31, 2020. Mayor Blue Cole extended his thanks to Deannia for her excellent work month after month and year after year with doing the Town's financials and reporting.

Mayor's Closing Comments

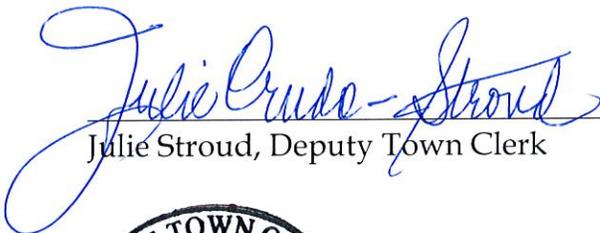
Dollar General's Occupation Tax Certificate will be suspended on June 7, 2021 until the septic problems are addressed. Dollar General corporate representatives will appear before Council at the June 7th Council Meeting. The problems began back in September of 2019 and to date have not been resolved. The Town is asking that in addition to

maintaining the retention pond and leech field Dollar General should make sure they either have a new pump or that their existing lift station pump is working and cleaned out regularly. The pump system alarm was found by SafeBuilt and the Department of Public Health to be unplugged and their employees are instructed not to unplug the alarm. Dollar General maintains that their employees are trained not to unplug it. The Council agrees that the problem needs to be solved.

Mayor Cole asked for a motion to enter Executive Session and to sign an affidavit to discuss a personnel issue. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good made a motion to enter executive session. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole asked for a motion to exit Executive Session. Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to exit Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

There being no other business, Mayor Cole asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.


Julie Stroud, Deputy Town Clerk

