

# TOWN OF SHARPSBURG

## MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

December 17, 2003

An open and public meeting, posted pursuant to the open meetings law and duly published in the Times-Herald, was held on Wednesday, December 17, 2003, at 7:00pm in the Town of Sharpsburg at the Garden Club Building on Terrentine Street, Sharpsburg.

Present were the following: Wendell Staley, Mayor ; Council Member, Derrick McElwaney, Council Member; Stan Parten, Council Member; Robin Spradlin, Town Clerk.

In attendance:

Polly Garlington  
Sarah Fay Campbell - Times-Herald

The purpose of the meeting was to consider adoption of a resolution to call a referendum which will submit to the voters of Sharpsburg the following question: "Shall the governing authority of the Town of Sharpsburg, Georgia, be authorized to issue licenses to sell distilled spirits for beverage purposes by the drink, such sales to be for consumption only on the premises?"

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Mayor Staley explained that the reason for the called meeting was that the Board of Elections has to have a resolution by Thursday in order to get the issue on the March 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot. If approved, liquor would only be allowed in restaurants and that a certain percentage of their sales would have to come from food sales.

Polly Garlington asked how it would be determined what percent of revenue would be required for a license. Mayor Staley indicated that it would be decided at a later date if the referendum passes, but that more than likely it would require at least fifty percent.

Council Member Parten motioned to approve resolution and submit to the Board of Elections to be included on the March 2<sup>nd</sup> ballot. Council Member McElwaney seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Council meeting was adjourned.

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Robin L. Spradlin  
Town Clerk