

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

April 4, 2016

A public hearing and regular scheduled meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, April 4, 2016, at 7:00pm, in the Town of Sharpsburg at the Sharpsburg Recreation Center.

Present were the following: Wendell Staley, Mayor; Stan Parten, Council Member; Keith Rhodes, Council Member; Clay Cole, Council Member; Polly Garlington, Council Member; Donna Camp, Town Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Town Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

Mayor Staley called to order the public hearing for the variance submitted by Sherri Woods of the Frigid Frog & The Toasty Toad. They are asking to be allowed a temporary/mobile building on a Traditional Highway Commercial (THC) lot for a period of one year so the property owner could file for conditional rezoning to allow a temporary/mobile building. The following comments and questions were asked:

- Sherri Woods - Discussed the business and why the permanent building wasn't feasible. Would love to stay in the town limits.
- Allen Nolen - It's a positive business for the town and good for the kids and youth to go.
- Robert Stokley - Knows the Wood family and would like to see the town find a way to allow them to remain on the property without having to file a variance every year.
- Council Member Cole - Would like to see the business stay in town but a plan is needed to resolve.
- Council Member Garlington - Agreed with what Council Member Cole stated.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Council Member Parten motioned to adjourn, Council Member Garlington seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to amend the agenda to add a resolution to change the contractor for the right of way grass cutting. Council Member Rhodes motioned to amend the agenda. Council Member Garlington seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

The minutes of the March 7, 2016 Council Meeting were reviewed and approved by unanimous vote, and were filed in the minute book of the Town.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to approve the variance for Sherri Woods of the Frigid Frog & The Toasty Toad. They are asking to be allowed a temporary/mobile building on a Traditional Highway Commercial (THC) lot for a period of one year so the property owner could file for conditional rezoning to allow a temporary/mobile building. Council Member Cole motioned to approve the variance, Council Member Rhodes seconded. Motion carried by show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for second reading and adoption of updated Animal Control Ordinance. Copies of ordinance were previously presented to Council and were available for inspection by public. It was explained that the Animal Control Ordinance, should mirror the Coweta County ordinance verbatim. Council Member Garlington motioned to accept second reading and adoption. Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to approve a proclamation stating that April 28, 2016 as Arbor Day. Council Member Parten motioned, Council Member Garlington seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to rescind the previous resolution which approved a contract and allowed the Mayor to sign on behalf of the town with Ameri-South Lawn Care, LLC and sign a new resolution to give the contract to Arbor Valley, LLC. Council Member Cole motioned, Council Member Rhodes seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called on Council Member Garlington to discuss the potential establishment of a tree committee and setting their goals. See the attached proposed agenda. Council Member Garlington called for a motion to establish a tree committee. There was no seconded and the motion died.

Mayor Staley gave an update on the recreation center sign. It should have already been delivered but was delayed. It should arrive this week.

Public Comments -

- Sherri Woods - Thank you to the Mayor and Council for approving the variance.
- Joey Pendley - Candidate for the County Commission seat. Looks forward to working with the small towns if elected.
- Margaret Staley - The library is still getting rearranged. The new chrome books have arrived for the library
- Allen Nolen - Likes the future growth to be in Sharpsburg and not Turin
- Robert Stokely - Has known Joey Pendley since he was a child and thinks that he will make a great County Commissioner.
- Dub Hardy - Does the grass cutting on Randy Mayhew's property so the town's contractor doesn't need to cut there.

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- Clay Cole - n/a
- Polly Garlington - Wanted to know if the water contract was back from the attorney
- Keith Rhodes - Appreciate the grass cutting that Mr. Hardy does and would like to let Mayor Staley know that a visitor to the town that the Dollar General store was by far the nicest they have ever been in.
- Stan Parten - n/a

Clerks Comments - n/a

Mayor's Minutes -

- Rode around with the new contractors for the grass cutting after their first cut to go over any questions they had.

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

Donna M. Camp
Town Clerk