

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

**December 4, 2017**

A regular scheduled meeting of the Sharpsburg Town Council was held Monday, December 4, 2017, at 6:00pm, at the Sharpsburg Recreation Center.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

Mayor Staley called to order the public hearing for the renewal of loan. Mayor Staley discussed the terms of the loan and called for any comments. No comments were made.

Mayor Staley called to order the public hearing for the General Fund & SPLOST Fund Budgets. Mayor Staley called for any comments. No comments were made.

The minutes of the November 6, 2017 Council Meeting were reviewed and approved by unanimous vote, and were filed in the minute book of the Town.

Sharpsburg resident and local author Blue Cole attended the meeting and donated 3 of his published books to the Library. His next book will be released in April 2018 and he will also donate a copy to the library. He is also the son of Council Member Clay Cole.

Mayor Staley asked for a motion to approve a resolution to allow the Mayor to sign the documents to renew the loan with United Community Bank. Council Member Garlington motioned to renew, Council Member Cole seconded. Motion carried, unanimously.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to approve a resolution in conjunction with the City of Stockbridge who is requesting the support of the Georgia Municipal Association Legislative Policy regarding De-Annexation Legislation to create new municipalities. Council Member Parten motioned, Council Member Rhodes seconded. After a discussion the motion carried with a vote of 4-1. Council Member Garlington voted to object to the resolution.

Mayor Staley called for a motion to extend the zoning classification for 36 months for the Oakhall & Briarwood developments due to reasons beyond our control and that of the developer. The reason being the economy taking a down turn. Council Member Cole stated that he had been approached by the Oakhall Developers about renting/purchasing part of his land. He will be abstaining from the vote. Council Member Rhodes motioned to extend the rezoning for 36 months, Council Member Parten seconded. Council Member Garlington motioned to table the motion until next year when the plan can be looked at again and the motion died for a lack of a second. The original motion carried with a vote of three to approve with Council Member Garlington voting against and Council Member Cole abstaining.

Old Business - n/a

Public Comments -

- Robert Vallencourt set up a booth across the street from the arts and crafts fair held at the Recreation Center. He was approached about handing out election material at the fair and was asked not to continue. Mr. Vallencourt felt like he was harassed and should have been able to pass out the material. Mayor Staley stated that the town does not condone any kind of harassment on the towns property.

Polling of the Council -

- Clay Cole - n/a
- Polly Garlington - n/a
- Keith Rhodes - There are several issues at the park that need to be addressed and he has already discussed them with the Mayor. There are a lot of people using this playground and the safety of the kids should be first. They will be working on the security system for the recreation center and the park on Friday.
- Stan Parten - The trimming on Highway 154 is looking much better.

Clerks Comments -

- There will be a called meeting on December 18, 2017 to adopt the 2018 General & SPLOST Fund Budgets and the 2017 millage rate.

Mayor's Minutes - n/a

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

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Donna M. Camp, Town Clerk