

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

December 17, 2018

A Public Hearing and a scheduled Town Council Meeting was held Monday, December 17, 2018, at 6:00pm, at the Sharpsburg Recreation Center to discuss the Proposed FY2019 Operating Budget.

Present were the following: Blue Cole, Mayor; Stan Parten, Council Member; Elizabeth Good, Mayor Pro Tem; Cynthia Puckett-Pike, Council Member; Tom Teagle, Council Member; Brad Sears, Town Attorney; Deannia Roberson, Town Clerk.

The Pledge of Allegiance was delivered.

The Clerk verified there was a quorum present.

The Public Hearing opened with Blue Cole Mayor discussing the proposed general fund budget and the SPLOST fund 2019 budget. After public and council discussion, the regular meeting of the Town Council began.

The minutes of the November 13, 2018 Council Meeting were reviewed and approved by unanimous vote and were filed in the minute book of the Town. Council Member Stan Parten made the motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good seconded the motion.

Mayor Cole discussed the need for pine straw to be spread in the park. He said it would look nice for the holidays and to enhance the appearance for the renters that rent the facilities. Council discussed Arbor Valley using 342 bales last year and was estimated using 330 this year, for \$1,980.00 which was only a \$99.00 difference from last year. Mayor Pro Tem, Elizabeth Good made a motion for Arbor Valley to install the pine straw in the Park. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole asked the Town Clerk to address the surveillance equipment issues. The Town Clerk explained to Council that during her search to piece mill the existing equipment, most companies wanted to replace what we currently have in order to guarantee their work and equipment. But for right now, we just want to get our existing equipment up and running.

- Keith Rhodes submitted a quote up to \$1,200 in labor and more cost for damaged cable or cameras. He included training and instruction on how to access via smartphone and in Administration Office via web browser.
- Watchdog Security submitted a quote to replace three cameras, repair cables, provide video online, program hardware and train staff. He would also mount all wires/cables under Admin desk to clean it up for \$1,081.00.
- AnacomSystems submitted a quote for \$1,559.04 to replace 4 outdoor cameras and install weather protection boxes. Run a HCMI cable to TV in Administration office to monitor the system. Set up system for remote viewing and installation of the app for phones. Programming and training are included. Only concern would be if the cable running out to the 4 remote cameras is damaged, this would be beyond the scope of the quote.
- Coweta Alarm Tech submitted a quote for \$180.00 to start. This quote is only to service the existing camera system and set up remote viewing and training. The cost for the cameras

would be \$175.00 each and then would have the ability to determine pricing required to get system back up and online. This quote could be \$705.00 plus.

Mayor Cole advised Council that the Finance Committee reviewed, and recommended Watchdog Security be awarded the work from their Consent Agenda. Council Member Tom Teagle made a motion to award Watchdog Security to get the surveillance equipment up and running. Council Member Stan Parten seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Mayor Cole discussed the software issues and asked Town Clerk to review the quotes she received. Town Clerk reviewed the quotes with Council and explained that she received quotes from \$4400 to \$15,000 with second year maintenance contracts up to \$7,550. She is currently waiting to get more information from other alternatives. The Finance committee recommended Council not to take action and maintain what they have for now until more research could be done. No action was taken.

Mayor Cole discussed the Mayor spending limits that were decreased to \$500 at the beginning of the year. He wanted Council to acknowledge the need to increase this amount in the near future. There will be a lot more meetings coming soon due to the increase of projects that are about to get started in 2019. This item did not require action.

Mayor Cole called for a motion to accept 1st reading of the FY2019 Budget. Mayor Pro Tem, Elizabeth Good made a motion to approve the 1st reading of the FY2019 Budget. Council Member Tom Teagle seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Comments -

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- Elizabeth Good suggested that the Town give the RadarSign data sheet to the Sheriff's department. She discussed the tree that fell this weekend in front of her house.
- Stan Parten discussed someone contacting DOT about the speed limit on Hwy 154 from the High School to McIntosh Trail.
- Cynthia Puckett-Pike n/a
- Tom Teagle discussed having basic some supplies as signage, road closed, saw horses, orange cones etc. when we have a disaster like the tree falling again. Tom also discussed having a soft opening for the Library until they can advertise. He also recommended we get a list of contacts in case of emergencies.

Clerks Comments -n/a

Mayor's Minutes - Mayor Cole discussed the RadarSign data sheet he handed out to Council and the numbers of speeders from November 1 to November 30, 2018. He will contact the Sheriff's office in reference to the speeders on Terrentine Road. Mayor Cole discussed placing a lock box on the outside of the recreation center for the renters. He discussed the LMIG Grant and a 30% match which is approximately \$1,500.00 and can be taken from SPLOST funds. If the TSPLOST passes, it will be reduced to 10%. The paperwork submission is 12/31/18, which means it needs to be submitted sooner rather than later. The LMIG Grant can be used for things such as maintaining and planning for roads, but it cannot be used for other things such as right of way acquisitions. We've received citizen concerns for some areas and those will be addressed first. We also have three years to spend it and can save the money from year to year.

Mayor Cole called for a motion to go into executive session for personnel and pending litigation matters. Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Good motioned, Council Member Teagle seconded. Motion carried by show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Cole called for a motion to exit executive session. Council Member Cynthia Puckett-Pike motioned, Council Member Good seconded. Motion carried by show of hands, unanimously.

Mayor Cole explained that the temporary help that was hired to take reservations for the Town Recreation Center has resigned and the Town Clerk has taken over the reservations. Mayor Cole called for a motion to change the Town Clerk's pay schedule from salary to hourly and to extend her hours up to 35 hours per week to accommodate the extra work taking reservations. Cynthia Puckett-Pike motioned, Council Member Parten seconded. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

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



Deannia L. Roberson, Town Clerk