

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHARPSBURG BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 7, 2014 6:30 PM

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order. Commissioner Garrett offered invocation. Mayor Weaver led the Pledge of Allegiance. Tracy Sullivan, Town Clerk called the roll.

## **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Randy Weaver, Mayor Pro-Tem Garrett, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Etheridge, Commissioner Collie and Commissioner Virgil. Town Manager, Elton Daniels and Brian Pridgen, Town Attorney were also present.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

Mr. Robert Tyson with the Woodmen of the World presented the Town with an American Flag for the Town Office.

Kevin O'Donnell, Nova Energy Consultants informed the Board that Duke - Progress Energy would make a transaction to buy power generating assets from surrounding Towns. Mr. O'Donnell asked the Board to approve up to \$2,000 to cover attorney expenses for a motion to intervene. The motion will insure that the Town be informed during the transaction and the impact it will have on the Town.

Commissioner Moore made a motion to appropriate \$2,000 for litigation costs associated with the Duke-Progress transaction. Commissioner Collie seconded the motion. The motion carried.

# PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Weaver opened the Public Hearing concerning the 2014-15 NC DENR Community Development Block Grant Infrastructure Program.

Wyatt McGhee informed the public that the State of North Carolina had received approximately \$25,000,000.00 of funding from the Federal Government for a 2014-15 CDBG Infrastructure Grant Program. The Town could apply for a maximum award of \$3,000,000.00 for water and/or wastewater improvements in areas where greater than 51% of the residents are low and moderate income. The Town's proposed sewer or water improvements are unlikely to result in the displacement or relocation of any residents, however, if this were to occur the Town would update or develop an Anti-Displacement and Relocation Assistance Plan to address such

occasion.

Mr. McGhee asked for comments and ideas for proposed projects from the citizens.

Lolita Windham, 601 Speight Drive, reported low water pressure in her neighborhood. Robert Smith, Utility Director asked if replacement of undersized water line could be part of the improvements.

Commissioner Moore stated that dead end lines and valves should be part of the improvement study.

Mr. McGhee said these items could be addressed.

No other comments were made. Mayor Williams closed the Public Hearing.

## CITIZEN PETITIONS AND COMPLAINTS

Lesley Atkinson, Wilson County Commissioner – Mr. Atkinson would like to arrange quarterly meetings between the County and Municipalities within the county to create unity and awareness. The Sharpsburg Town Board agreed with Mr. Atkinson.

Roscoe Pender – Mr. Pender stated that the streets on the Wilson County side of Sharpsburg were in bad repair.

Mr. Daniels stated that he and the Utility Director were currently looking into hiring a contractor or purchasing equipment for the streets of Sharpsburg.

# APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT & REGULAR AGENDA

Commissioner Garrett made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda and Regular Agenda. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried. The Consent Agenda items were as follows:

September 2, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to table items a and b concerning the purchase of a pole truck until a special meeting to be held on October 21, 2014 at 6:30pm. The Special meeting will also include a closed session for personnel issues. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to add Mayor Randy Weaver and Commissioner Linda Virgil as a cosigner for Town disbursements. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### CLOSED SESSION

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318 (a) (6) to discuss personnel matters. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **OPEN SESSION**

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to re-enter open session. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to amend the Personnel Policy to give the Chief of Police hiring, firing and disciplinary power within the police department. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to re-enter closed session to discuss a personnel matter. Commissioner Virgil seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **OPEN SESSION**

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to re-enter open session. Commissioner Collie seconded the motion. The motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Garrett made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Moore seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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Date Approved Mayor

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