

**SHARPTOWN REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
February 3, 2020**

President Gosnell called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Bradley, Henry, Schneider, Bennett, Clerk/Treasurer Schneider, Superintendent White, Secretary Adkins, Wicomico County Councilwoman Nicole Acle, Aaron Goller, Circuit Rider Joe Mangini, Attorney Mike Mathers, Vicki Prettyman, Jean Holloway, and several residents.

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 6th regular meeting. A second was made by Commissioner Henry. All were in favor, so carried.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to pay the bills as stated on pages 4 and 5, which was seconded by Commissioner Henry. All were in favor, so carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

President Gosnell asked for a report on the sewer plant. Superintendent White stated a meeting is scheduled on February 7th with the EPA and MCET to discuss technical assistance for the issues ongoing with the sewer plant. He stated a faulty pump was repaired. Aaron Goller from DBF stated he has applied for I&I and effluent pipe repair grants. Mr. Goller also announced he would be leaving DBF, his last day will be February 14th.

The Commissioners discussed an alternative style street light for Pecan Corner. The previously selected “Granville” style will cost \$40.44 a month. An alternative would be the “Traditionaire” style light post which costs \$26.62 dollars a month. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to change the new street lights at Pecan Corner/State Street to the “Traditionaire” style, which was seconded by Commissioner Bradley. All were in favor, so carried.

Circuit Rider Joe Mangini reported that Superintendent White, Secretary Adkins, and himself met with Tracey Gordy from MDP, Bhaskar Subramanian from DNR, and Jaleesa Tate from MEMA to discuss grant options for the Shoreline Restoration Project. The town will apply for another DNR grant, through the Grants Gateway program. The application is due February 14th. Tracey Gordy will assist Mr. Mangini with writing the grant. Ms. Tate from MEMA stated the project may also fall under a program they offer as an alternative option.

President Gosnell stated he has informed Jeff Merritt from Operation We Care that the 502 Nanticoke Street property now belongs to the town.

President Gosnell and Superintendent White reported a new salt spreader was purchased and installed on the 2006 F250. It is the same model as the one installed on the 2018 F250.

President Gosnell stated he would like to schedule a work session with the Commissioners to discuss which streets and sidewalks to repair/replace this year. The work session will be February 12th at 7pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Gosnell introduced Jean Holloway and Vick Prettyman from SERCAP. They are a federally funded program who provide municipalities with support in many areas. Ms. Holloway and Ms. Prettyman shared a slide show with information of services they can offer at no cost to the Town.

President Gosnell stated at the ESAM meeting in January, 5G cellular service was discussed. There are concerns state wide about where the new towers could be placed. The Town Attorney is looking into options for ordinances to control where they can be placed.

The Commissioners reviewed the following appointments to Parks and Recreation for 2020:
Appointments for Mt Vernon Church: Dot Dickerson and Lori Bennett. Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the appointments from Mt. Vernon, which was seconded by Commissioner Schneider. All were in favor, so carried.

Appointments for At Large Members: Tom Bowden, Lisa Bowden, Mark Carroll, Rachel Carroll, Sarah Matyiko, Jennifer Myers, Katie Manes, Paul Manes, Hank Wheatley. There was also a request for a youth member, Jude Carroll. The Commissioners discussed whether a minor could be appointed to the Parks and Recreation. Clerk/Treasurer Schneider will look for clarification. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to approve the At Large Appointments, with the exception of Jude Carroll until the determination if minors can be appointed is made, which was seconded by Commissioner Bradley.

President Gosnell stated the February LESMA meeting will be in Princess Anne. Please RSVP to Secretary Adkins.

President Gosnell introduced Wicomico County Councilwoman Nicole Acle. She stated she was in attendance to discuss the issue of the repairs/renovations to Mardela Middle and High School being removed from the draft Wicomico County Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). She is working to get the project put back on the CIP. She took comments from the public and suggested the public attend meetings held by the County Executive to express their concerns and support to have it included in the CIP. In addition, Michelle Wright will assist the Commissioners from Hebron, Mardela Springs, and Sharptown with drafting a letter to the County Executive expressing their support of the school renovations being put back on the CIP.

President Gosnell asked for Commissioners comments. There were none.

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Commissioner Schneider made a motion to adjourn the Commissioners meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Bradley. All were in favor, so carried.

President Gosnell adjourned the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Adkins
Commission Secretary

