

**SHARPTOWN REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
April 5, 2021**

President Gosnell called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Bennett, Henry, and Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer Schneider, Superintendent White, Joe Mangini, Michael Mathers, and Nancy Springer. Commissioner Bradley was absent.

Commissioner Schneider made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 15th meeting, which seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All were in favor, so carried.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Clerk/Treasurer Schneider read Resolutions 2021-04-05A and 2021-04-05B. The Commissioners discussed the annexation plan comments from Maryland Department of Planning. Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04-05A, which was seconded by Commissioner Schneider. All were in favor, so carried. Commissioner Henry made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04-05B, which was seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All were in favor, so carried. Attorney Mathers stated the Annexation Resolutions will become effective 45 days after passage unless a resident submits a petition for referendum.

Superintendent White stated the sewer lateral replacement project has begun, but the water tables are too high to complete the installation.

The Commissioners discussed the street repairs. One contractor quoted President Gosnell \$30,000.00. Naylor Harrison quoted under \$18,000.00. Commissioner Bennett made a motion to accept the bid from Naylor Harrison for under \$18,000.00, which was seconded by Commissioner Henry. All were in favor, so carried.

President Gosnell stated he checked with Wicomico County for an update on drainage ditch project. The project is still being worked on and when the plans are finalized they will send the Town copies for our information.

Superintendent White reported an update on the solar panels. AltEnergy believes the problem is on our end, coming from service installed by Delmarva Power. We have had Barnes Electric look at them and they believe the problem is in the arrays. Two of the three are working, one array continues to trip out. Carter's Electrical will be installing a monitor for a week to ten days.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Parks and Recreation Commission submitted the following names for At-Large Memberships: Katie Manes, Paul Manes, Sarah Matyiko, Rachel Carroll, Mark Carroll, Tom Bowden, Lisa Bowden, and Youth Member Jude Carroll. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to approve the At-Large appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission, which was seconded by Commissioner Henry. All were in favor, so carried.

The Commissioners discussed the American Rescue Plan. The Town has not received much information about the program but has learned they will be receiving around \$550,000.00 to be paid in two installments.

President Gosnell stated the Town has received a letter from MDE stating we will be put under consent order for the violations at the WWTP. Superintendent White stated the effluent flows yesterday were 249000 gallons and he is trying to reseed the plant.

President Gosnell stated the April ESAM meeting will be held in St. Michaels.

President Gosnell asked for Commissioners comments. Commissioner Schneider reported a Farmers/Craft Market will be held at Cherry Beach on May 22nd. The pavilion has been reserved and all of the vendor tables have been sold. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Sharptown Historical Commission.

Commissioner Henry reported Planning and Zoning has not met. Superintendent White stated a request for a variance from the Board of Appeals has come in.

President Gosnell stated Jeff Merritt from Operation We Care will be taking over the Home for a Hero project on State Street. He was informed the building permit has expired, they are good for two years. He will resubmit the building and plumbing permit applications.

Superintendent White stated the doors at the Old School have been secured. He needs to get some plywood to cover some broken windows and to close the open hatch on the roof.

Superintendent White stated he would like to rent a lift to use at several places around town. To cut tree branches back near the solar panels, to go on top of the school building and to take down the Christmas light wires from the pole before the house is moved on Main Street. President Gosnell authorized him to rent the lift.

Circuit Rider Joe Mangini stated the application for his position has been signed. DHCD grants will open in April and be due by June. He will be applying for an engineering study to be done on the Old School building. He also will be looking into grants for new water meters.

Attorney Mathers asked for Jeff Merritt's contact information to send him the deed for the Operation We Care lot on Nanticoke Street.

President Gosnell stated Jerry Matyiko was issued a building/plumbing permit to move the house on Main Street to his lot across the street. He paid the tap and impact fees. President Gosnell stated Mr. Matyiko contacted him to ask if the impact fees could be waived because he was not adding a new impact on the system, just moving it to a new lot. Attorney Mathers recommended to the Commissioners be consistent in applying the Town policies. A new lot is being developed and should have impact and taps fees charged. The Commissioners agreed with this recommendation.

President Gosnell asked for public comment. There was none.

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

President Gosnell adjourned the meeting at 8:20p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judy Schneider
Clerk/Treasurer