

**SHARPTOWN REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
May 15, 2017**

President Gosnell called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Bennett, Bradley, Schneider, Henry, Clerk/Treasurer Schneider, Secretary Adkins, and Superintendent White. Also present was Aaron Goller from DBF and residents Jean Cordrey, Mike Thompson and Tom Bowden.

Commissioner Bradley made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 1st regular meeting. A second was made by Commissioner Schneider. 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 Bennett. All were in favor, so carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Aaron Goller from DBF updated the Commissioners on the solar project. Bids will be opened at 2pm on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Planning and Zoning Commission will hold public hearings on May 17<sup>th</sup> to hear the request to re-subdivide and re-zone the property for Dollar General.

An email was received from Jim Grindle stating he was delayed working on the County Water and Sewerage amendment that we requested. He will be in touch later in the month to gather information for that.

The Commissioners reviewed a proposal from Shawn Baker to repair the wall next to the Secretary's desk for \$160.00

Tracey Gordy from MDP sent over the first draft of a sustainable community action plan. A work group of residents needs to be appointed to review the plan. Secretary Adkins will draft a letter to send to various organizations in town to look for volunteers, specifying that they live in town.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There will be no LESMA meeting this month. The next meeting will be in Delmar on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Commissioners reviewed a proposal for repairs needed on the chlorine injection piping at the water plant. We are not able to handle the repairs ourselves. We received a quote from Breakwater Construction & Environmental for \$2480.00.

Aaron Goller stated that MDE is accepting applications for 2018 EWIP grants until May 31<sup>st</sup> if the Town would like to apply to have the blowers at the WWTP replaced for more energy efficient ones. It is the same grant we used for the solar project. The language states the grant

will fund up to 100% so Aaron recommends we apply to see what we may qualify for. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to apply for the MDE 2018 EWIP grant to replace blowers at the WWTP, which was seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All were in favor, so carried.

President Gosnell stated the Town may be joining in a grant program from MDP to share a Circuit Rider/Town Manager with a couple other towns. This will be someone to help us write grants. The program may need to be run through our office due to having full time staff available. There will be more information in the near future.

President Gosnell asked for Commissioners comments. Commissioner Schneider stated he read that a bill was passed allowing Bay Restoration Funds to be used to repair or upgrade wastewater treatment facilities. President Gosnell stated in the past those funds have been used to fund projects for larger municipalities, now it will be more open for the smaller ones as well.

Clerk/Treasurer Schneider stated she would like meet with the Commissioners to discuss the 2017/2018 Budget. After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to hold a work session on Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm to discuss the budget.

President Gosnell asked for public comments. Resident Tom Bowden expressed concern over the road condition near the new home being built next door to him at 102 Ferry Street. The pit for the foundation was not reinforced and the road is starting to wash away, causing safety concerns. Superintendent White stated he has plans to meet with the owner of Wednesday to discuss this matter.

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

President Gosnell adjourned the meeting at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Adkins  
Commission Secretary