

**SHARPTOWN REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
July 16, 2018**

President Gosnell called the meeting to order at 7:31p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Bennett, Bradley, Schneider, and Henry, Clerk/Treasurer Schneider, Secretary Adkins. Attorney Paul Wilbur, Aaron Goller from DBF, and resident Jean Cordrey and Historical Commission Chairperson Teresa Herring were also present.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

President Gosnell asked Secretary Adkins to report on the generator grant. She stated a fiscal kick off meeting was held on July 5th with a representative from MEMA and the town. The generator has been ordered and should be in within 6 to 8 weeks.

Commissioner Bennett stated Circuit Rider Joe Mangini arranged for a structural engineering study to be done by DBF. The Commissioners reviewed the report. President Gosnell stated Historical Commission Chairperson Teresa Herring and Commissioner Bennett can communicate with Mr. Mangini to find availability in his schedule to meet with the building owner, Steve Disharoon.

The Commissioners discussed options pertaining to the Pecan Corner public works agreement. There are items that need to be completed as quickly as possible. Mr. Goller suggested asking the Farmers Bank of Willards for a schedule of when these items will be addressed. Attorney Wilbur suggested contacting the bank and stating the town needs a path to completion. Mr. Goller will provide Attorney Wilbur with a list of outstanding items and he will draft a letter to the bank.

The Commissioners discussed the shad barge which was donated to the town. Historical Commission Chairperson Herring has requested previously the barge be displayed at the town hall. The Commissioners discussed the location in the town hall where the barge could be displayed. Chairperson Herring requested to put a sign to advertise Heritage Day on Taylor Street at the entrance to "Halloween Hill", the Commissioners agreed.

President Gosnell discussed the request/petition for the church parsonages water use to be waived if the parsonage is occupied by the church pastor or is unoccupied. Clerk/Treasurer Schneider stated she contacted multiple towns to see their policy for churches and non-profits and the majority of the towns do charge churches, parsonages, and non-profits (such as the fire department and American Legion) for their water usage. Some do offer a discounted rate. Commissioner Schneider made a motion to leave the policy of charging the parsonages for their water use, but not charging the church itself as is, which was seconded by Commissioner Bradley. All were in favor, so carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business to be discussed.

President Gosnell asked for Commissioners comments. Commissioner Schneider stated Parks and Recreation will be having soccer sign ups at the town hall on Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm.

Commissioner Henry states Planning and Zoning meets on July 31st.

Commissioner Bennett stated the Historical Commission is busy planning Heritage Day.

President Gosnell asked for public comments. Resident Jean Cordrey asked if the topic of charging the parsonages could be on the ballot at the next town election. Attorney Wilbur stated yes, it could be on there as a non-binding referendum question, but the Commissioners are elected to make decisions for the town.

There were no other comments, Commissioner Bradley made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All were in favor, so carried.

President Gosnell adjourned the meeting at 8:19pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Adkins
Commission Secretary