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Max Gregg: Museum of History Intern

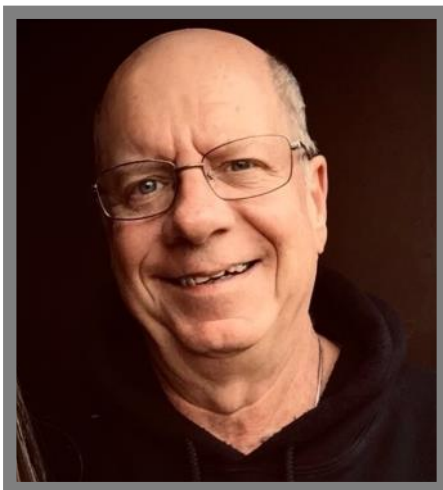
The Town Crier is pleased to introduce you to Max Gregg. He joins Adam Oates as Intern at the Sharpsburgh Museum of History. That internship uses the participant's energy, curiosity, and love of the town's history to promote understanding for visitors. Each intern brings his own skills to the role.

For Max, it's his passion for diorama. Specifically, his skill is constructing them from Lego components in which he is talented. He also maintains the more traditional diorama that already forms part of the Museum's collection. Come down to the Museum and see for yourself. *Continued, Page #*



Rick Bishop: A New Minister in Town

The Town Crier recently spent a pleasant hour talking with Rick Bishop. He recently accepted the position of Minister at the Reformed Church, officially starting in September last year.



Originally from the Ellicott City area, he has taken an interesting path to this place. For 30 years, he worked as cook, including as sous-chef, at the nearby Yellow Brick Bank. He will tell you that food and food preparation is only a passion, that his first love is for Christ. His most recent experience has been involvement in Keedysville town government and Salem United Methodist Church in that town.

He says work at Reformed is not a job, but that his mission here, and everywhere really, is to "touch lives and share the Gospel." He made a special appeal that we all support the "Blessing Box" at the Reformed Church by dropping off non-perishable food there. You will find church service times and a contact phone

number in the Community Calendar section of the Crier.



Christ Reformed Church

When you meet Rick you will find an open, enthusiastic, and cheerful man going about Christ's work. There is much to do in this small place and Rick is an important part of it. We wish him well and support his efforts.

Of course, no article about the Reformed Church is complete without a big thanks to Delancey Catlett for his decades of ministry there and his continued contribution to town matters.

- Editor

Max Gregg: Museum of History Intern *Continued from Page 1*

At twelve, he's a seventh grader and will proudly tell you he's an "A" student. He has an outgoing manner and is eager to tell you about the story of the town and how it fared during the Civil War. One of his many plans is to write a book of fiction about a Union Soldier

who experienced the events here in 1862.

That said, his big passion is creating Lego dioramas. In fact, he eventually wants to create a Lego Museum.

The Crier and the Town of Sharpsburg are pleased to have this smart young man in our town. He commits his time and talent to the task of promoting understanding of this place. We wish him well in his plans for authorship and the Lego Museum. He has a future in the museum business.

Thanks also to Ed Beeler, Executive Director of the Sharpsburgh Museum of History, for his efforts in encouraging our young people to participate in the important task of telling our story.

- Editor

Veterans Banners: Honoring Those Who Gave All

Do you have a loved one that made the ultimate sacrifice for our country who was killed in the line of duty? The planning committee is researching interest and may create banners to honor those who served. While we would like the opportunity to honor all who served, due to space limitations, priority placement will be given to those whose lives were lost in the line of duty.

These banners would be displayed at ceremonies that honor our hometown heroes, (Memorial Day Ceremony, Veterans Day).

If you are interested, please print and fill out the form in Attachments.

and send them to Town Hall or drop them off. We will be in touch, there will be a financial component to the banners.

Thank you for your time

- Sharpsburg Streetscape Project



Lion's Club

The Sharpsburg Lions meet at 7pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Our fundraisers support the Sharpsburg community and we are always looking for new members.

For more information contact Chris Vincent - sharpsburglions@gmail.com

A poster for the "GotSneakers?" sneaker recycling organization. It features the Lions International logo and the text "got sneakers? A Sneaker Recycling Organization". The poster describes an annual sneaker drive fundraiser where unwanted sneakers are collected and recycled. It includes a "Please donate:" section with instructions for donating athletic sneakers and sports cleats, and a "Collection boxes located at:" section listing David H. Peters & Associates, the Sharpsburg Pharmacy, and the Antietam Mercantile Company. There are also images of sneaker boxes and a "Save Your Planet" graphic.

See Attachments for more Lions Posters

Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company Events



Cornhole Tournament

The Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company (SVFC) will be holding their first Cornhole Tournament on March 5 at the Boonsboro American Legion. Registration is at 11AM at a cost of only \$20 per player. Matches start at noon. Gaming and cash bar available. \$900 in cash prizes to be awarded.

Spaghetti Dinner

The next Fire Company Spaghetti Dinner will be Saturday, March 19 at the Fire Company Annex. Come out from 3PM to 6PM to pick up some tasty homemade spaghetti to go. Preorders can be made after 12 Noon on the day of the event at 301-432-6321. Dinners are \$9 for adults and \$5 for children.

Money Bonanza

The Fire Company will be holding their spring Money Bonanza at Fairplay Fire Company's Event Center on April 30, 2022. Tickets are now available with limited seating. The \$40 tickets include 2 meals, a chance at over \$2,100 in prizes, and refreshments. Gaming and raffles will be available. Please message us on Facebook, see a member, or call 301-991-2230 for ticket before they are gone.

Online Raffles

A Reminder! The Fire Company is conducting online raffles for sporting good on their website, sharpsburgvfc.org. When you visit the website, click on the "Raffle" tab to the right for additional information. All purchases can be made securely online.

- Jay Brandenburg, SVFC President

Memorial Day Plans



Jack M. Arant, 95th Division, US Army, European Theater

Request for Veterans' Photos

This is a call for submission of veterans' photos to be used in the Memorial Day Parade booklet and for honoring them in other official Sharpsburg publications like the Town Crier.

You can bring the photo to Town Hall to have it scanned; this is preferred. However, you can send scanned images electronically to Town Hall

(townofsharpsburg@comcast.net) with "Memorial Day Photo" in the subject line. It's important that your photo be scanned at 300 dpi or higher.

Also include as much the following information as possible: Full Name, Rank, Unit, Branch of Service, Dates of Service, Theater of Service (European, Pacific), and date of the photo.

Submissions are limited to residents of the Sharpsburg Community (corresponding to the area of the Sharpsburg Elementary School region) and must be on file by April 15th.

The Greatest Generation: A Memorial Day Invitation

World War II veterans are invited to be in the Memorial Day Parade. Applications will be available on the town website, Facebook, and in Town Hall after March 1, 2022 and must be on file April 15. You are encouraged to attend as a spectator even if you're not in the parade.

If you have any questions, contact Town Hall at (301) 432-4428, or by email(townofsharpsburg@comcast.net).

- Memorial Day Committee



Invitation to Bid: Mowing

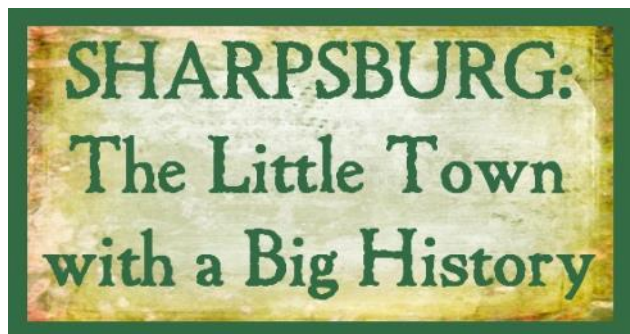
The Town of Sharpsburg is accepting sealed bids for Grass Mowing of Town owned property for the for the period of March 7, 2022 through March 6, 2023. Said sealed bids will be received and accepted until Monday, March 7, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. at Sharpsburg Town Hall, 106 E Main St, Sharpsburg, Maryland.



All bids shall be in accordance with, and subject to, the specifications stipulated herein, and shall be delivered in a sealed envelope, labeled MOWING BID.

Bid packets may be obtained at Town Hall.

The bids will be opened during the March 7th meeting of the Mayor and Town Council. The Town of Sharpsburg reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids submitted.



Sharpsburg Historical Society

The Sharpsburg Historical Society is gearing-up to return to somewhat normal activities as Covid-19 recedes. For the year 2022, we will resume inviting individuals and families to join the Historical Society. Below is how to join the Society. We will also be sending out dues letters to those who have previously been members. However, if you'd rather not wait, you can follow the simple procedure below. Thank you, and welcome back to the Sharpsburg Historical Society.

To join or rejoin the Sharpsburg Historical Society, please send your dues check (\$15 individual; \$25 family; \$10 seniors) to:

Sharpsburg Historical Society
PO Box 513
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Please enclose a note with your name, address, email (if you have one), and a phone number.

Thank you for supporting and being part of the Sharpsburg Historical Society!

- Gary Candelaria, President



Lee Weaver, Watercolor

Starting Plants Indoors from Seeds: Washington County Master Garden- ers

The Washington County Master Gardeners will offer a free online class on starting plants indoors from seeds on Saturday, February 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. University of Maryland Extension Master Gardener Liz Jones will teach participants how to save money, get earlier harvests, lessen pest and weather risks, and grow a greater variety of plants by growing them from seed.



Workshop participants will learn what supplies are needed for successful seed starting and get tips on proper lighting, planting times and seedling care.

Pre-registration is required at https://umd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIsf-Ggpj8sH9OZvROQ228eZsP_ulTT660c

Annette Cormany, Horticulture Educator

Antietam Institute

The Antietam Institute is pleased to announce our first annual Spring Symposium, slated for April 23, 2022. Marking the 160th anniversary of the 1862 Maryland Campaign, the symposium will focus on the evolving scholarship, interpretation and understanding of the campaign over the last 160 years.

We'll be featuring several speakers and a discussion panel. Registration has begun

and ends March 23. Space is limited so sign up today! For more information about the program go to our website at: <https://antietaminstitute.org/2022-spring-symposium/>

- Chris Vincent



Community Calendar

February 26 at 10AM: Starting Plants Indoors from Seeds

Washington County Master Gardeners Online

Register At: https://umd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJIsf-Ggpj8sH9OZvROQ228eZsP_ulTT660c

March 5 at 11AM: Cornhole Tournament

Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company

Boonsboro American Legion

301-991-2230

<https://sharpsburgvfc.org/>

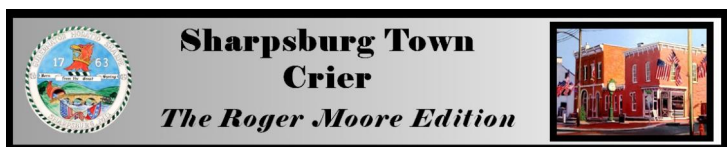
March 7 at 6 PM: Town Council Meeting

Sharpsburg Town Hall

townofsharpsburg@comcast.net

301-432-4428

March 15: **Beware the Ides**



Week of March 15-17 anytime we are open: Leprechaun Hunt
Sharpsburg Library
(301-432-8825)
Follow the leprechaun prints to the pot of gold!

March 17 at 3:30: St Patrick's Day Story Time
Sharpsburg Library
(301-432-8825)
Come wearing green, go on a Leprechaun Hunt, St Patrick's Day craft and stories!

March 19 at 3PM to 6PM: Spaghetti Dinner
Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company
Boonsboro American Legion
301-432-6321
<https://sharpsburgvfc.org/>

March 23 at 5 PM: Movie Night at Sharpsburg Library, Showing "Encanto" (rated PG)
Sharpsburg Library
(301-432-8825)

March 26 from 9 AM to 4 PM: Metal Detecting Exhibit
Sharpsburgh Museum of History
<https://www.facebook.com/Sharpsburghmuseumofhistory/>
301-432-4428

April 9 from 9 AM to 4 PM: Arrowhead Exhibit
Sharpsburgh Museum of History
<https://www.facebook.com/Sharpsburghmuseumofhistory/>
301-432-4428

April 23: Spring Symposium
Antietam Institute
<https://antietaminstitute.org/2022-spring-symposium/>

April 30: Money Bonanza
Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company
Boonsboro American Legion
301-991-2230
<https://sharpsburgvfc.org/>

April 30 9AM to 2PM: Maryland Poultry Swap and Farmers' Market
Green Hill Farms
<https://www.ghfarm.org/>

June 1 Through September 7: 2022 Civil War Lecture Series
(More details right here starting in May)
<https://jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/blog/2022/01/2022-civil-war-lecture-series/>
Jacob Rohrbach Inn
<https://jacob-rohrbach-inn.com/>
301-432-5079

Recurring Events 2022

1st Wednesday of the month 1PM Adults: Book Share
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Kid's Zone: Ages Eight and Up
Sharpsburg Library anytime we are open
301-432-8825
March : Library Scavenger Hunt. Prizes for completion and effort!

March: Winter Spice Club

March: Za'atar *History and info about the spice; Recipes including the spice.

Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Thursdays at 3:30PM: Storytime

Masks are required for those 2 and up during Storytime in the library.

Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Second Thursdays every month, Lion's Club 7PM, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 W. Main St, Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Area Churches

Christ Reformed Church

117 West Main Street
Sharpsburg
301-432-6182
Sundays: 9AM

United Christian Fellowship

18823 Shepherdstown Pike, Keedysville,
MD 21756
301-432-0110
Sundays: 8:45AM Fellowship, 9AM Sunday
School, 10AM Worship & Children's Church

Sharpsburg Church of the Brethren

123 E Main St, Sharpsburg
Sundays at AM, Sunday School at
10:30AM
301-432-4944

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

209 West Main Street
Sharpsburg
301-432-7098
Sundays: 10AM

Burnside First Church of God

3904 Mills Rd, Sharpsburg

Sharpsburg Bible Church

5134 General Stuart Court, Sharpsburg
301-432-5309 Sunday School 9:30 AM to
10:30 AM, Sunday Morning Worship &
Children's Church 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM



Christ Reformed Church

Mayor & Councilpersons

Russ Weaver – Mayor
Jacob Martz – Vice Mayor
Mia Parsons – Council
John Hammond – Council
Ed Beeler-Council
Robbie Waters – Council
Joe Kudla – Council

106 East Main Street
PO Box 368
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Phone: 301-432-4428

Fax: 301-432-8990

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townofsharpsburg@comcast.net](https://sharpsburgmd.com/townofsharpsburg@comcast.net)

[https://www.facebook.com/
TheTownOfSharpsburg](https://www.facebook.com/TheTownOfSharpsburg)

Zoning Administrator-Tim Lung
Sharpsburg.md.zoning@gmail.com

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ATTACHMENTS (4):



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Mayor & Council of Sharpsburg Meeting Agenda-DRAFTED

February 7, 2022

6 pm

- I. Call meeting to order and pledge, pledge was led by Carrie
- II. Meeting minutes from December 2022 to approve-
- III. 6:00-6:15 Dan Murphy of DMurphy Designs to present on website
 - a. Dan is a local small business owner who has been in business for 15 years with 30-40 active customers.
 - b. He uses word press and will be the person of contact
 - c. He will provide training and he specializes in small businesses
 - d. He has many ideas and can blend ideas with council requests
 - e. Email would be extra and that would be five dollars/month/account
 - f. Will send out sample web pages that he has developed to the town's email account and Carrie will send out to council members
 - g. 6:45-7:00 Laura Oats of Laura Oats Design to present on website
 - h. Her intern Bailey went over specific pricing
 - i. Laura showcased a sample webpage and showed the ease to edit and many features, (calendar, town events, meetings, council members).
 - j. She would be the point person and would train anyone who would like to learn to
 - k. Price of the website design would not have any extra costs
 - l. Any extras afterwards would be 50/hr.
 - m. 7:00-7:15 Matt Densmore Little League
 - n. Matt has been involved in the Little League for almost 10 years; Tim Tech has been involved for almost 3 years.

Both reported that much time and money is spent on maintaining the fields.

Games are Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Other days, with the exception of Sundays, are used for practice.

Season is generally March through October

Currently there are about 300 kids with 20-25 teams, utilizing all fields

Travel teams have caused enrollment to fall, there is some interest for the traveling team to use the fields

- c. T-ball field remains open and the town children can use.
 - d. Due to vandalism the other fields will be closed; Little League will provide the town with a schedule when it comes out to help with attendance. Schedule to come out in mid-March
 - e. Sand Lot league is a program for younger athletes that the league may incorporate to increase enrollment.
 - f. Town and Little League to work closer together to try to utilize the fields and generate more of an interest.
 - g. 7:15-7:45 Shawn Stewart of RISE to present on website, (via ZOOM)
 - a. Shawn presented what a possible municipality website would look like
 - b. His company, REVISE, specializes in government
 - c. Fully ADA compliant, very protective and safe
 - d. Website design would be a collaboration and ease of use for non tech users
- Show cased easy edit skills of sample website, document drops, photo inserts

In attendance: Russ Weaver, Jake Martz, Robbie Waters, John Hammond, Tim Lung (via ZOOM), Dan Murphy, Michael Arant, Jim Brookfield, Perry Jamieson, Jen Bruni, Chris Vincent, Tim Peck, Matt Dinsmore, Laura Oates, her intern-Bailey Racine, Adam Oates, Carrie Estell and Shawn Stewart (via ZOOM)

Zoning with Tim (7:45-8:00)

0 W. Antietam St. (Crampton)

Sent a notice to Rich Eichelberger, Director of the County Department of Permits and Inspections to withhold any renewal of the expired building permit or issuance of any new building permits until Mr. Crampton addresses the open foundation hole and safety issues. This may be considered a “nuisance” per the Town Charter.

Continue to work on obtaining the necessary information to complete the zoning permit application for the Short-Term Rental at 110 S. Mechanic Street, owned by Gideon Properties. Discussed the application with the County regarding any required building inspections. Rich Eichelberger stated that use of a residential dwelling as a short-term rental does not constitute a use change according to the building code and would therefore not require any inspections beyond what is needed for a residential dwelling. Will contact the fire marshal regarding any inspections required by them.

Received notice that the County issued a building permit for a new dwelling at 203 West Antietam Street. This was an old application that was filed some time ago.

Working with the County in regard to naming of some alleys. Have requested an explanation of why the names were rejected.

Will be working with Mia and the Planning Commission in regard to the 2022 action items listed in my January report.

Will be out of the office on Friday Feb 11th & 18th will be monitoring e-mails.

Mayor's Report-

American Recovery monies-encourages all to read a detailed account of the guidelines of utilizing the money. Russ said he would get the article together for everyone to read.

financials-monthly January expenses/income discussed, expenses were a little high due to accounting and survey costs, Robbie motioned to accept financials, Jake seconded, all were in favor.

POS presentation-Russ presented to the Project Open Space he included aspects from his mini tour of other municipalities' parks, (shade, walk ways, upgrades to playground equipment, specialized areas for younger children, possible repurpose of basketball and/or tennis court for a tyke track and/or pickle ball court

park surveillance update-cameras were installed and getting feeds from your cell phone at the park set up is easy. Carrie has password and user name; she will call to ask about the legality of a sign and elevator bill responsibility.

Tolson's Chapel & Heart of the Civil War donations-Russ brought up donations to these two organizations, Russ suggested \$500.00, Robbie motioned, Joe seconded and all were in favor for a donation to Tolson's Chapel. Heart of the Civil War, Chris Vincent spoke of their funding and a 500 donation would be appropriate. They are a good asset and assist with grant writing. Jake motioned and Robbie seconded, all were in favor of the 500-dollar donation.

Council comments

• John Hammond-Building and Infrastructure

✦ Off this Friday and will meet with Russ to draft a plan of action for the county about wells and to meet with Russ, Jake and Joe concerning the mowing contract. Carrie will get a copy from Keedysville to use as an example.

✦ Joe Kudla-streets, roads & culverts

✦ Final phase for the walls to be repaired. There was a letter that was to some residents to share the plans. There was some confusion on its purpose but after a phone call and an email, it was a precaution for MDOT's work to survey walls.

✦ Culvert safety rails or coverings will be the responsibility of the town to install and pay for.

✦ Craig Paving came and looked at a few projects, (bridge and culvert off Antietam, bridge off Chapline and some paving). They should have an estimate by the end of the month.

✦ Will work closely with resident Ray Leaman about some issues his property has due to the culverts.

✦ Would like for the prisoners' work group to do two large projects, (1. Cleaning out the gutter pans & 2. Clearing out the trees/brush/trash out of the view of the Piper House). Hoping to get these projects under-

way asap. Joe will reach out to this organization of the prison.

✦ **Jake Martz-communications, parade**

✦ Memorial Day

- Selected a caterer, and are just working out the details as far as setup location and logistics, submitted applications to MDOT for approval to close Rt. 34, and Washington County Public Schools for permission to use the elementary school parking lot, awaiting their reply
- Music and band coordination is underway, and will include the 229th National Guard Band that was here last year. The 229th intends to put the parade on their schedule as part of their annual rotation from now on
- Invitations to dignitaries for the wreath laying ceremony will be sent out by February 15th; some completed applications for participation in the parade, but official invitations will be sent out later this month
- Currently in the process of obtaining permission from the National Guard and the FAA for an A-10 flyover in addition to the flyover performed by the Hagerstown Aviation Museum
- I am in the process of finishing up the application for the Washington County Hotel Rental Tax Grant, and we've already been approved for an additional \$3,000 grant from the Washington County Convention Business Bureau, which we are just waiting to receive
- I've reached out to the Sharpsburg Museum of History and the Sharpsburg Historical Society, and they've agreed to help us prepare the "History of the Sharpsburg Memorial Day Parade" section of this year's parade book that was requested by the mayor
- Since this year's theme is "The Greatest Generation," we've decided to go with a World War 2 military historian from the National Guard for the Grand Marshal, and in the process of finding and reserving the appropriate individual
- Pursuant to flag etiquette and protocol, we are working to obtain official permission from the Governor's office to lower our US flag to half-staff for the morning so that we may perform a flag raising following the morning ceremony, which will be a new addition to the typical format.
- Having trouble finding reenacting units, but plan to follow up with invitations that have been sent out
- Communications
- A certificate of Appreciation for Cecil McLean, of Scout Troop 51, for achieving the rank of Eagle Scout for his work on the Kennedy Farm
- Coordinated presentations this evening regarding the development of our website
- Town Park
- Received proposals from the landscape architects that were interviewed, review later
- Potomac Edison to have an engineer come to assess the feasibility of relocating the power line pole at the corner of S Church St and Main St

• **Robbie Waters-parks, railroad station, town operations**

✦ A resident called to complain that folks were on the ice, Robbie and Heather created a sign as a warning with a picture.

✦ Robbie to host the scouts of Troop 58 to help with the pond for their conservation project; this will happen before the fishing rodeo.

✦ Brought up a sign for the park for warning of cameras in use for monitoring. Carrie will call this week.

✦ **Mia Parsons-Planning-(Streetscape), grants (not present)**

✦ Planning commission to work on Streetscape

✦ Working on bids for suggestions from the tree survey

✦ **Ed Beeler-Historical Planning, town archives, communications, grants (not present)**

Still in need of a larger home. There was a possibility

Community Partners

- Chris Vincent-advisory board Antietam Institute-shared that a meeting will be held this week; donation amount to the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area, Inc, was appropriate

Mike Arant-Town Crier-would like to acknowledge Roger Moore's family somehow; wants to work with the mayor and council for an annual community service award. Discussion was held, as the town started an annual community service award, possibly having two per year to "catch up" with recognition for jobs well done.

Old Business/ACTIONS

Land purchase ordinance-

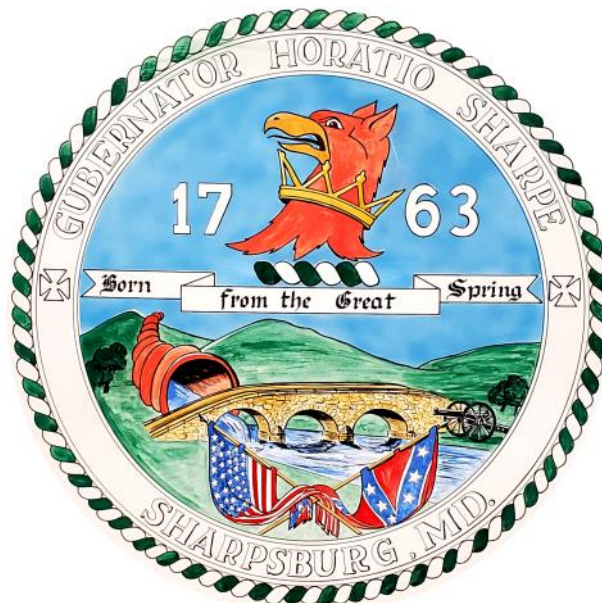
Review of land purchase-ordinance-Russ brought up the ordinance to purchase the two parcels of land for the pocket park, Robbie motioned for the sale to go through, Jake seconded the vote and all were in favor of the purchase. The purchase price of 63K will be reimbursed via Project Open Space funding we were awarded.

New Business

Mowing Contract-

Discussion was held on contract bids/bid packets to be more specific. Google earth pics and a walk through with awarded company would allow both parties to know exactly what is expected. A weather clause needs to be included. John, Jake, Russ and Joe plan to meet on Friday to craft a new mowing contract. Carrie will reach out to Keedysville for an example. Advertisement will also be done next week. Bid packets will be available from Town Hall. Sealed bids will be reviewed at the next Mayor and Council Meeting, March 7th at 6 pm.

Meeting adjourned 8:20



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Sharpsburg Residents-

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Thank you for your time

Name of Veteran: _____

Branch of military: _____ Years served: _____

Date of birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

Photo available?

Person to contact: _____

Phone # _____ Email: _____

Sharpsburg Lions Club



Country Ham Sandwich Sale Sandwiches are only \$3.00

Orders are being taken until March 3rd
Call Lion Delancy Catlett at 301-582-1728
or email: sharpsburglions@gmail.com

Pick up on March 10th, between 6:00pm and 7:00pm
at St Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 W. Main Street in
the parish hall at the back of the church.

Our goal is to sell 400 sandwiches.

HELP US REACH OUR GOAL!!

Sale to benefit Sharpsburg's Fire Company, EMS, and



Sharpsburg Lions Club

Dinner Programs

The Sharpsburg Lions Club is hosting
a dinner program for only \$10.00.

March 10

Community For Life

This program will discuss a new service for adults 60 years and older designed by the MD Department of Aging and offered through Partners In Care Maryland. Community For Life provides a Senior Home Safety Assessment, support with modifications to improve accessibility and safety of the home, preventative and educational information, service navigation to connect people with resources, and transportation to the places they need to go for a low monthly fee. Partners In Care Maryland has over 28 years supporting older adults and offers services in six counties. We do this through the support of community volunteers.

The program will be presented by Kerry Fair the Deputy Director,
Community For Life Partners In Care, Maryland, Inc.

Dinner Menu: Country Ham, Bean Soup, Salad and
desert.

The dinner program will start at **7:00pm** and is held at
St Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 W. Main Street in the
parish hall at the back of the church.

Please **RSVP** by March 3rd to sharpsburglions@gmail.com



Larry Hogan
Governor
Boyd K. Rothford
Lt. Governor
James F. Ports, Jr.
Secretary
Tim Smith, P.E.
Administrator

January 14, 2022

Town Of Sharpsburg
Post Office Box 368
Sharpsburg MD 21782

Dear Town Of Sharpsburg:

The Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) is currently conducting field survey activities relative to studies on the following project:

FMIS ID No.: SP322AC
Project: MD 34 near MD 65

Activities in the project vicinity may include: field research, survey activities, environmental analysis, engineering study, wetland delineation and archaeological study. Representatives under our employ, either MDOT SHA personnel or consultant personnel under MDOT SHA direction, may be required to enter temporarily onto your property: **East Main Street**. The privilege of entering onto your property is provided for by the Annotated Code of Maryland, § 12-111 of the Real Property Article. The purpose of this letter is to advise you of our need to access your property to gather data and to request your cooperation. If we do not hear from you within 30 days of the date of this letter, we will assume we have your cooperation and consent. All MDOT SHA employees carry identification cards and are required to display them upon request. Consultant employees are also required to display identification upon request.

Our personnel have been instructed to take every possible precaution to assure that your property is not damaged in any way while conducting these studies. If damage does occur, the MDOT SHA will make proper restitution. To assist us further, it would be helpful if you would point out to our field personnel any conditions on your property (freshly planted crops or other features) that might not be readily apparent.

Since the purpose of the studies is to gather data, our field personnel gathering information are not usually aware of the project details. Consequently, they may not be able to answer some of your questions concerning the proposed improvement. They are not being evasive, but they may not be able to answer your questions because the final design often cannot be determined until after all the data has been collected and analyzed.

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Personnel of the office listed below and or those from other MDOT SHA offices may contact you again about reentry upon your property in order to obtain additional engineering data. It is MDOT SHA policy to re-contact property owners for the purpose of re-entry if one year has elapsed since the previous contact.

A written response to this letter is not necessary. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Ms. Christina McKenzie, Project Manager at 301-729-4679 or via email at CMcKenzie4@mdot.maryland.gov. Ms. McKenzie will be happy to assist you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Matthew S. Bloedorn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Matthew S. Bloedorn, Acting Chief
Plats and Surveys Division

Attachment:

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)