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Meet Your Neighbor: Jenn Hineman, Sharpsburg Area EMS

This month the Crier takes our second look at Sharpsburg Area EMS (Emergency Medical Services) focusing on one of the crew, Ms. Jenn Hineman. We also take a closer look at the EMS facility, in particular their comfortable and friendly “home-away-from-home” quarters. Remember, these folks spend time on-site 24/7. Future articles will drill down farther to examine their equipment and communication technology.

Like many of us in the community, Jenn is a Boonsboro High School graduate. On graduating, she started her medical experience as a CNA (Certified Nursing Assis-



tant), but soon found that, as self-described “action junkie”, it didn’t provide the level daily excitement her character demanded. This led to her journey into emergency services. (The Editor can attest to her level of action; it took several days to coordinate even a short interview between her often six ambulance calls per day. Our EMS people have a demanding job!)

She followed a typical journey of advancement in EMS, first as an EMT (Emergency Medical Technician¹) then as a Paramedic², both requiring certification. The level of training and certification for each of these steps is demanding, challenging, and continuous.

Here at the Sharpsburg station, Jenn is part of a team of six full-time members of the emergency crew. When she’s not out on ambulance calls, she and her colleagues stay fully engaged cleaning, scheduling staff, checking equipment, and of course, the constant documentation/paperwork.

And speaking of cleaning, the Editor was given a tour of the comfortable and immaculate living quarters. Sharpsburg EMS is as close to being a home environment as you can get without being,



well, at home. It's a testament to the level of planning, commitment, and love that has gone into serving Our Small Place. See the attached photos.

The Editor asked Jenn to share something about her favorite piece of equipment. I was prepared be shown the latest technical, digital, laser-guided, self-driving, Internet-connected, multilingual, lifesaving WhizBang. Instead, she reached into an ambulance and pulled out



the LUCAS (Lund University Cardiopulmonary Assist System) device. This unassuming little contraption provides an alternative to manual CPR

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation). It elimi-

nates the physical strain on the person performing CPR and ensures the standard compression rate. Jenn said its real value is that it "gives me my arms back" when she needs them most.

Ms. Hineman is a fellow townie, living within town limits with her husband Bradley and two daughters. We are lucky to have her and her colleagues, with their skill and devotion, living among us.

The Crier first visited EMS in September 2021 with "Meet Your Neighbors: Sharpsburg Area EMS and Priscilla Morgan, Chief of Operations" . <http://sharpsburgmd.com/wp>

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Editor

¹ - An EMT is a first responder who is trained in basic medical knowledge and skills to provide immediate medical care to patients in an emergency. They are often the first emergency service providers to arrive on the scene of a crisis, such as an accident, medical emergency, fire or natural disaster. Their main responsibility is to provide basic and emergent medical care to stabilize patients in crisis while transporting them to a hospital. They can have several levels of responsibility and certification, requiring different requirements.

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² - A Paramedic is a medical professional who specializes in emergency treatment, not just patient stabilization. They have more training than EMTs and can provide more advanced emergency medical care such as starting . They can use advanced equipment on ambulances and undertake additional life-saving procedures like starting intravenous lines (IVs) and managing compromised airways.

- Editor

From the Mayor and Council Tree Management

The town of Sharpsburg will be implementing the second phase of the Main Street tree management plan this spring. The proposed locations and species of new trees are recommended by an International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) certified arborist.



If you have any questions or concerns about tree planting near your property, please contact Mia Parsons at councilpersonmtparsons@gmail.com.

- Ms. Mia Parsons, Councilperson

Survey/Assessment of the Old Lutheran Cemetery

Town Hall would like you to know that it contracted with Mosko Cemetery Monument Services (MCMS) to survey and assess the status of the old Lutheran Cemetery in town. This is part of a project to conserve, preserve and restore this historic treasure. MCMS will present a summary of their survey and assessment report of their findings on Wednesday, May 17 in the Town Hall Council Room at 6:00PM. See also Community Calendar.

- Ms. Carrie Estell, Town Clerk

Event Forms

Vice Mayor Martz and Councilman Ed Beeler have placed three forms in this month's Town Crier Attachments

- ♦ 2023 Memorial Day Parade Participation, Pages 14-15
- ♦ Remembrance/Sponsorship and Parade Book Request Form, Pages 16-17
- ♦ Sharpsburg Days Vendor Application, Page 18

Request for Korean War Veterans' Photos

This is a call for submission of Korean War 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 of the following information as possible: Full Name, Rank, Unit, Branch of Service, Dates of Service, 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.

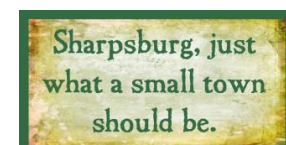
- Vice Mayor Jacob Martz

Volunteer Opportunity at Sharpsburgh Museum of History

Hello volunteers and supporters of Sharpsburgh Museum of History (SMH), I am writing you to tell you of some great opportunities to volunteer at SMH.

April 11 will be youth day @ the museum from 1-04. We will need the following:

- * Coloring contest table 2, 1 for morning and 1 for afternoon.
- ♦ Greeters 2, 1 for morning and 1 for afternoon



June 10 will be the women of Sharpsburg from 10-4. We will need the following:

* Greeters 2 1 for morning and one in the afternoon.

* Help with artifact tables.

August 12 Sharpsburgh Collectibles will be from 10-2

* Greeters

* Helpers

If you can volunteer anywhere please let our Director Ed Beeler or Museum President Beatrix Gregg know and if any of our volunteers and supporters can dress in period clothes please do.

Thank you for your support,

- Ed Beeler - Executive Director, Sharpsburgh Museum of History

About the Town Caught in the Act!



Ms. Heather Morningstar, our Crossing Guard, is out there in the wet, cold, damp, and gloom. Here she is on a dreary early Spring morning as the rain falls in sheets. If you want to feel good about something, read the Crier article about Heather in the October 2022 edition of the Town Crier. (<http://>

sharpsburgmd.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/Town-Crier-Volume-30-OCTOBER-2022-Number-10-Ver-1.0.pdf)

- Editor

American Legion Auxiliary Announces Essay Winners

Ava Gift, Americanism chairwoman of Sharpsburg American Legion Auxiliary Unit 236, presented monetary awards, ribbons, and flags to the winners of the annual Americanism essay writing Contest, March 17 at the Sharpsburg Elementary School.

The title of this year's essay was "What does patriotism mean to you?"

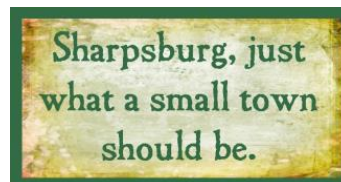
First Place winner Miley McKenrick, daughter of Kristal and Tyler McKenrick, 2nd Place Natalie Mowl, daughter of Casey and Richard Mowl, Jr. and 3rd place Morgan Molesky, daughter of Melanie and Matthew Molesky.



Left to Right: Morgan Molesky, Natalie Mowl, Miley McKenrick

The winners have been invited to participate in the Sharpsburg Memorial Day parade, May 27th. Their names will be published in the annual Sharpsburg Memorial Day Commemoration program book under Parade Line Up.

- Ms. Ava Gift, American Legion Auxiliary



Diabetes and Hypertension Presentation

Ms. Lindsay Ridenour from the Washington County Health Department presented a session on Diabetes and Hypertension at the library on March 21. If you would like to know more about these or other important public health issues from the Health Department, let our librarians know. We thank Ms. Ridenour for being with us.

- Editor



Sharpsburg American Legion Auxiliary to Collect Worn Flags

Spring has arrived and yard cleaning has begun, making an ideal time to replace tattered, torn and worn American flags.

The American Legion Auxiliary Antietam Unit 236 will place a collection barrel in front of the Sharpsburg Town Hall from April 25 to May 26, where residents may place their worn American flags for proper disposal.



The Unit reminds all Americans that every day is a good day to display an American flag in good condition but it is especially important to display them for the upcoming patriotic holidays of Peace Officers Memorial Day (May 15), Armed Forces Day (May 20), Memorial Day (May 29), Flag Day (June 14), Independence Day (July 4), National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day (July 27), Labor Day (September 4), Patriot Day (September

11), POW/MIA Recognition Day (September 15), Veterans Day (November 11), Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (December 7).

- Ms. Ava Gift, American Legion Auxiliary

Community Calendar

April 2 at 1PM: **Easter Egg Hunt at the Battlevue Market**

Battlevue Market
5331 Sharpsburg Pike
301-432-2676

April 3 at 6PM: **Town Council Meeting**

Sharpsburg Town Hall
106 E Main St, Sharpsburg, MD
21782
301-432-4428

April 9 at 6:30AM: **Community Easter Sunday Sunrise Service**

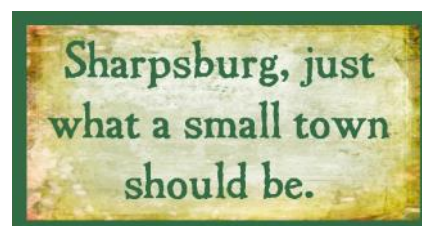
Pavilion at Sharpsburg Park (Near Little League Ballfield/Water Tower on High Street)

April 16 at 11AM: **Spring Corn Hole Tournament**

(Proceeds to Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company)
Boonsboro American Legion Post #10
301-991-2230

April 20 at 5:30PM: **Picnic and Spice Club Review**

Sharpsburg Park Pavilion on High Street (Library if raining)
Sponsored by Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825



April 22: **Youth Day at the Museum**

Sharpsburg Museum of History
Sharpsburg Town Hall
301-800-6877 / Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

April 23: **Antietam Institute Spring Symposium**

"Commanders, Civilians, and Casualties: New Research on the Maryland Campaign"

(See also the above article in this month's Crier.)
<https://antietaminstitute.org/2023-spring-symposium/>

April 27 at 3:30PM: **Community Story Time!** (Including a visit to the Big Spring and Nutter's Ice Cream!)
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

April 29 9AM to 2PM: **Maryland Poultry Swap and Farmer's Market**
Green Hill Farm

5329 Mondell Rd, Sharpsburg, MD 21782
240-329-6732
<https://www.ghfarm.org/>

May 13 at 2PM: **Tom Clemmens, Civil War Author**

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May 17 at 6PM: **Mosko Cemetery Monument Services Lutheran Cemetery Assessment Report**

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May 27: **Sharpsburg Memorial Day Parade & Wreath Laying**

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June 7 at 7PM: **Alex Rossino and Gene Thorp, "The Tale Untwisted"**

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June 10: **Women of Sharpsburg, Exhibit**

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June 14 at 7PM: **Richard D'Ambri- si, "Interpretive Themes For Experiencing Antietam National Battlefield"**

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June 21 at 7PM: **Joe Stahl and Matt Borders, "Civil War CDV's: Clues in the Cartes de Visite"**

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July 5 at 7PM: **Jim Smith, "The Chambersburg Raid: Jeb Stuart's October 1862 Ride Around the Army of the Potomac"**

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July 8: **Sharpsburg's 260th Anniversary Open House Event**

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July 12 at 7PM: **Steve Stotelmyer, "Sugar Loaf Mountain: The Overlooked Confederate Intelligence Failure of the Maryland Campaign"**

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July 19 at 7PM: **Darin Wipperman, "His Example Will Not be Lost: The 30-day Civil War of Robert Hale Ives, Jr."**

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July 26 at 7PM: **Laura Marfut, "The Battle for Maryland Heights in the Siege of Harpers Ferry"**

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August 2 at 7AM: **Kevin Pawlak and Jon-Erik Gilot, "John Brown's Raid: Harpers Ferry and the Coming of the American Civil War, October 16-18, 1859"**

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August 9 at 7PM: **Brad Gottfried, "The Antietam Paintings of James Hope"**

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August 12: **Antique Exhibit**

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 W. Main Street
Sharpsburg Museum of History
301-800-6877 / Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

August 16 at 7PM: **Sarah Kay Bierle, "John Pelham: Trained at West Point but Aiming Artillery for the Confederacy"**

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August 23 at 7PM: **"A Perfect Purgatory": Two Generals' journeys from Antietam Creek to the Trans-Mississippi"**

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August 30 at 7PM: **John Schildt, "The Life Henry Kyd Douglas"**

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September 15-16: **Antietam Anniversary Weekend**, Exhibits,

Sharpsburg Rifle Reunion, and Sharpsburg Citizens During and After the Battle of Antietam
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Sharpsburg Town Hall
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October 7 Starting at 9AM:

Sharpsburg Days

Various Venues, Stay Tuned

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October 14: **Museum's Sixth Anniversary – Exhibit/Public Celebration for Volunteers**

Sharpsburg Museum of History

Sharpsburg Town Hall

301-800-6877 / Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com

November 11 at the Eleventh Hour:

Veterans Day Wreath Laying

Town Square

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November 18 from 10AM to 2PM:

Native American Artifacts

Sharpsburg Museum of History

Sharpsburg Town Hall

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November 18 – **Sharpsburg Rifle Reunion**

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December 1 at 7PM: **Sharpsburg Christmas Tree Lighting Town Square**

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December (date to be determined):

Wreaths Across Antietam National Cemetery

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Recurring Events 2022

Fourth Wednesday of the Month

from 11AM to 1PM: **Community**

Action Council Assistance

Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company

Annex

301-791-4161

First and Third Sundays, April

through October from 10AM to

2PM: **Farmer's Market**

Battleview Market Property

Twilight Homestead LLC

twilighthomesteadllc@gmail.com

Third Wednesdays of the Month

from 10AM to 11:30AM: **Sharps-**

burg Writers Club

(For details and location, please

contact Ms. Heidi Vertrees by personal message)

Any Time the Library's Open: **Art of the Month**

(Each month a different art form will be displayed along with books pertaining to that art.)

Sharpsburg Library

301-432-8825

Thursdays 9AM to 3PM, February 2

to April 13:

Master Gardener Training Classes 2023

Washington County Agricultural Education Center
7313 Sharpsburg Pike, Boonsboro,
MD 21713
acormany@umd.edu / 301-791-1604

1st Wednesday of the month at 1PM

Adults: Book Share

Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Kid's Zone: Ages Eight and Up
Sharpsburg Library anytime we are
open Make a Mini Zen Garden! For
twins and teens!
301-432-8825

Thursdays at 3:30PM: **Storytime**
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 [See special event February 9]

First Saturdays at 10AM: **Lego Club**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825



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, Sunday School
(Second and Fourth Sundays starting
September 25)

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

Mayor & Councilpersons

Russ Weaver – Mayor

Jacob Martz – Vice Mayor

Mia Parsons – Council

John Hammond – Council

Ed Beeler-Council

Robbie Waters – Council

Joe Kudla – Council

(Carrie Estell – Town Clerk)

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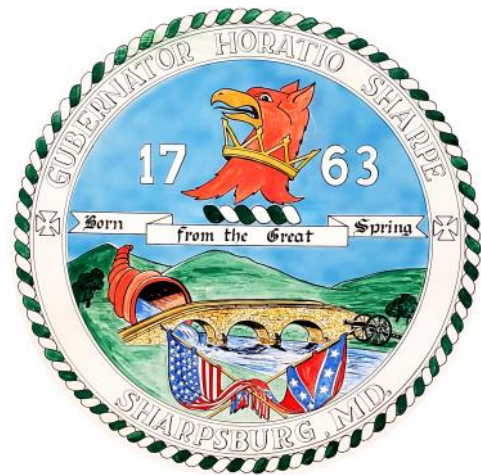
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Zoning Administrator-Tim Lung

Sharpsburg.md.zoning@gmail.com



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ATTACHMENTS:



Mayor & Council of Sharpsburg
Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 6, 2023-6 PM
DRAFTED

In attendance: Russ Weaver, Jacob Martz, Robbie Waters, Joe Kudla, Mia Parsons, John Hammond, Ed Beeler, Tim Lung (via Zoom), Jen Bruni, Chris Vincent, Perry Jamieson, Al Mason and Carrie Estell

Call meeting to order and pledge of allegiance-Mia, a moment of silence was observed for the residents of E. Palestine, OH
Minutes from February meeting minutes to approval-expenses were discussed, large portion of funds were paid out to fix the bathroom plumbing issues at town hall; Ed motioned and Joe seconded, all were in favor and approved of February finances.

Financial Report

Approval of February expenses

Property Tax current rate is .35-Joe discussed a possible tax increase due to the cost of goods and services and inflation. Russ discussed the town's rainy-day fund, the amount of interest that the town earns per month for the PNC account. Property assessments increase and the amount of property taxes increases. Russ shared budgeting for the next FY to include looking at discretionary and nondiscretionary spending, tax rates and cost operations. Joe motioned for the tax rate to stay at .35, Jacob seconded, and all were in favor.

Public guests/comments-

Mr. Jamieson thanked the mayor and council for providing a bulk trash pick-up.

Mayor's Report-

Wells

County council met with Town attorney and discussed draft agreement.

Only issue to surface was who was going to pay for testing of water after well(s) are ready. Was agreed for new well we would share and Town would handle existing well.

Town Hall

Continual sewer problem fixed by replacing 13 feet of cast iron piping.

Town clock still needs to be synchronized.

Community Park

Received money from parents of children who damaged shed

In process of installing electrical power for added cameras.

Historic Park

Presented construction phase to Project Open Space. Well received and county is searching for additional funding.

Detail design in process with Frederick Seibert and Associates.

Wayside Design--Develop a "Wayside Exhibit Proposal" which identifies for each wayside display the topic, theme, location, base style, direction of view, and preliminary list of proposed graphics, images, artwork, or maps.

Historic Walls

MDOT letter summarized here:

To Delegate Wivell and Mr. Crawford-thanking them for their efforts in getting the walls on the MDOT schedule to be repointed this will be done by end of summer/early fall.

Big Spring

Having difficulty find resource for mitigation work. Cleaned area to be fenced. Contract for fencing as required by sales contract

Boyer House State delegation asked for bonding issue.

Streets & General Maintenance

List of projects for rest of FY2022 provided by Joe to be worked off before 7/1/2023

Beginning to focus on Main Street Streetscape

Looking at asphalt options

Planning-Time to kick off comprehensive. Be active integrated into and critiquing the County comprehensive plan. The plan as it was written is a promise to the town's residents of how the town will grow. Tim suggested to take a look at the state and their requirements. Mia had previously asked for some funding to assist the planning commission in rewriting and/or updating. Funding

Zoning-Tim Lung (only critical items)

Was out of Town from Feb 8 to the 27th

Building permit application for a new single-family dwelling to be located on the vacant lot on the east side of South Hall St. between Antietam and High St. was reviewed by the Planning Commission at a meeting. They took no opposition to the design of the house but commented that parking should be on-street with no driveway onto South Hall St. The Permit application has been submitted to the Coun-

ty. A note was placed on the application regarding access and the need for a Town Entrance Permit review if a driveway off the alley is proposed.

Owners of the property that were issued a notice of violation with cease-and-desist order for operating a short-term rental on W. Main Street operating without receiving Zoning approval responded that they would take down the listing on VRBO. The listing is still up, but bookings are limited to 30 days and over.

Received the following update from Matt Barton at Washington County Schools regarding the drainage issue created by the Elementary school. *"We asked Triad to review their final site survey and compare it to the runoff calculations in the design drawings by the engineer on the project. They did that, and said the values were accurate from the engineer and reflected as-built conditions. But they also said the change in land use can definitely contribute to more water runoff than the previous land use and isn't factored into the calculation. Triad shared some ideas for that area to help water infiltrate including aerating the ground or planting trees. We are still evaluating what makes the most sense for us. We can't make any guarantees that anything we do will make any major difference during a heavy runoff. I'll update you when we have a more formal plan."* This is a good indication as the land use has changed and the school board is taking the issue seriously; Tim will keep the mayor and council posted with any updates.

Received an inquiry about establishing a short-term rental at a property on East Main Street. Property is Zoned TR. A special exception application would need to be filed with the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Received an inquiry about establishing a family child day care business in Town. No address was provided. Will respond to the inquiry this week.

At the request of the Mayor & Council, the Planning Commission prepared recommendations for Zoning Ordinance amendments to address the use of shipping containers as accessory structures in the Town. In order to provide staff with sufficient time to review the proposed text and prepare a formal Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment document, it has been recommended that a temporary Moratorium be placed into effect immediately for a period of 120 days.

Council Reports

Robbie Waters

Larry and Son's work on bathroom was completed

Old well was filled in and dug; finished grating and grass seed when complete

Met with Roto Rooter for pond clog, created a cement block to prevent further clogging-inlet of pond was clogged

Built and created concrete pads for ADA tables for pond

Planning ground prep for playground installation

Torn down shed and cleared fencing at Big Spring property

Fishing Rodeo is scheduled for the last Saturday of April from 7 am to 10 am, all ages from 15 and under.

Joe Kudla

Cleaning of culverts and inlets. We are on schedule for street sweep for one week before Memorial Day parade.

Linda P. from MDOT talked while looking at walls this week and she told me an engineering study will be done to assess the ability of people to look in all directions with the current placement of the signage, (cars should stop before stop sign). They will decide from a legal and safety standpoint where no parking should exist. After the walk to the walls, it was apparent that there is a safety issue, there will be an engineer study and no parking near the Lutheran church property.

Sharpsburg Wall Update: Determining ownership of the walls in Sharpsburg has been a timely task. The MDOT SHA is responsible for the maintenance of 2 major walls in Sharpsburg and the town has been made aware. An inspection was performed by the MDOT SHA Office of Structures and deemed sound. The walls need repointed only. Tony met most recently last week with the town and MDOT SHA's Office of Structures to determine a course of action. The walls will be repointed. This will require permitting and MD Historical Trust involvement. Work is anticipated late Summer/early Fall. The town would like them to be complete by the 160th Anniversary for the Antietam Battle. Tony is optimistic that work will be done before the celebration. ACTION: Tony will provide an update on the status at the next meeting

Joe noticed that Antietam Broadband workers not cleaning up tree limbs and debris as they are working to install 5G wiring. Carrie will call tomorrow to speak with the project manager to make sure this is taken care of and they clean up.

Walls will be regouted, pointed and any loose or missing stones will be replaced. This will be completed late summer early fall. Called Verizon as there are many cable lines that are hanging and Verizon said a crew will come out to fix/repair any wires. They are also committed to the repair of the bricks up near the cemetery.

The dust/pollen issue a few weeks ago made Joe aware that there are no steps in place for an emergency of this type. Russ' grandson mailed off a sample and was told that more of the substance was needed. The company will try to test. A West Virginia's agency claimed it was pollen. Joe will be inviting MEMA, Washington County Emergency Services and our Fire Department to the next meeting to get ideas and procedures in place. Good way to build partnership bridges with these government agencies. Carrie will share the name of the fire chief with Joe. With being close to rail it is important to know what to do if there are situations needing emergency services.

120 N Main has some overgrown trees that is making the ROW unsafe; the fire company reached out. Joe asked Robbie to contact the resident and Robbie will trim back the tree after speaking with the owners.

Jacob Martz-

Memorial Day parade preparations

Received 5k from Washington County Hotel Rental Tax Fund

Purchased hardware for Memorial Day banners

Ordered and received band chairs, working on platform for the grand marshal and next meeting is tomorrow at 6 pm

Sent letter to mother of juvenile who did not pay for shed damages, money was received
Installed three door stops in Town Hall
Attended a volunteer meeting for town events
Submitted bond request fact sheet for Boyer House
Met with DSL to address issues with sound system and video conferencing issues
This Sunday the fire alarm went off due to the compressor on the dry sprinkler system that tripped and charged the system. A sprinkler company will need to drain the system and fix the compressor. Carrie called Noel's and there is a PVC pipe that needs repair; Robbie will take a look at the pipe after the meeting. John suggested creating a folder or lock box with essential companies, keys, codes and passwords in case of emergencies.

Ed Beeler

Attendance: 02/2023-142 02/2022 – 46
Walls were painted and the display cases will soon have new displays.
Three grants were written
Donation of a Christmas card from 1913
Metal Detecting Expo-Saturday March 11th from 10-2 at Paul's social room
Speaking at the Sharpsburg Elementary for the 4th & 5th History Club along with one of our student interns, reached out to about 32 4th & 5th graders who are part of the school's history club
Museum goal is to have hands on experiences for youth and adults
In the process of developing programs with the public and home schoolers

Mia Parsons

Next phase of the tree planting would like to work with Sunny Meadows, however they do not plant. Will be walking the locations and put locations in the Town Crier so there are not any issues repeated from the last planting. By next meeting, will have tree bids and submission of plan in the Town Crier. St. Paul's would like a tree replanted to match the one that was taken out.

Community Partners

Officer Peyton-report submitted electronically-Russ asked council to send him any ideas about safety that the new sheriff can address; Russ would like for him to come to a meeting soon.

Checks- Antietam Station-7, Park-7, ball field-1
Foot patrol-2 hrs.
Traffic enforcement 4 hrs. (2 citations 6 warnings & 1 parking)
Damage to property advisement, loitering complaint, 2 parking complaints and 4 hrs. court time

Chris Vincent-Antietam Advisory board-next meeting is the Wednesday.

Old Business/ACTIONS:

HB 1194-No parking legislation Russ to attend and speak via ZOOM

Russ and Jake will testify for this legislation via ZOOM this Friday, March 10th Delegate Wivell has been very helpful with this issue. Will go into effect in October. There should not be any issues with this piece of legislation.

New Business

MML Dinner-

This month we are hosting the dinner and it will be at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Please let Carrie know if you will be attending.

Spring bulk trash pick-up date???

Council discussed to have bulk trash pick-up early May. Carrie to call AVW to schedule a date in May

Sea/shipping container moratorium and ordinance amendment

Lots of discussion on the definition of temporary and permanent structures and how long a resident can have a temporary one in case of a home remodel or a move. A moratorium was drafted by Tim to be adopted by the town to give mayor and council time to craft wordage on the ordinance. Robbie motioned for the moratorium, Ed seconded and all were in favor of the Shipping Container Temporary Moratorium, effective date is today, March 6, 2023.

Railings for front of Library and Town Hall

Last meeting John had secured a bid for fixing the new railings. This did not include paint and went over the 2k allotment amount council voted during February's meeting. John, Russ and Robbie spoke about a variety of different fixes and it was left that Robbie and John would work together to find a solution that would not cost a lot of money. Their findings will be discussed at the April mayor and council meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm and the next meeting will be Monday, April 3, 2023



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February 1, 2023

Greetings!

The Sharpsburg Memorial Day Committee is pleased to invite your organization to participate in the 156th Sharpsburg Memorial Day Parade. **This year's theme commemorates The Korean War ("The Forgotten War").** The parade will be held on **Saturday, May 27, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**

Parade participants not involved in the morning ceremony should plan to report to the Sharpsburg Elementary School parking lot and check in with the Parade Marshal by no later than 1:00 p.m. Participants will be provided with their staging number by email two weeks prior to the event, and should be prepared to present this information to the Parade Marshal upon arrival. All walking units will be staged on the grounds of Sharpsburg Elementary School, regardless of parade placement; a site map will be included to indicate the location of Parade Marshals and vehicular staging areas, as well as drop off and parking locations for walking units.

Please be advised that traffic usually travels slowly through town, so please allow your group enough time to arrive and check in. Keep in mind that Main Street will be closed through town from approximately 10:45 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. for the morning ceremony, so remain alert for alternating traffic patterns as you arrive.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the second page of form and return by email to townofsharpsburg@comcast.net, with "Memorial Day Parade" in the subject line, or mail to the address listed above. If you have any questions, please call Town Hall at (301) 432-4428. Submissions must be received by **April 15, 2023.**

Thank you for your support of this historical event, we look forward to seeing you there!

Regards,

Jacob Martz
Vice Mayor & Memorial Day Committee Chairman

2023 Memorial Day Parade Participation RSVP Form

Important Reminders:

- Participants should plan to arrive no later than 1:00 p.m.
- Participants will be provided with their staging number prior to parade day. Please have this information handy when checking in with the Parade Marshal.
- All walking units will be staged at Sharpsburg Elementary School.
- Political Organizations are asked to devote their display to the theme of the parade.
- Elected Officials may place a sign indicating their identity, but are also strongly encouraged to incorporate parade themes.
- Distribution of literature is prohibited.
- Participants **shall not** use emergency sirens during the parade. Please remember that local emergency units participating in the parade are **active units**; as such, the use of emergency sirens is reserved strictly for them, and shall be used only in the event of an actual emergency during the parade. **If an emergency siren is activated during the parade, participants are advised to allow for the passage of responding vehicles.**

Please print your name/name of organization exactly how you would like it to appear in the Sharpsburg Memorial Day Commemoration Program Book

Please provide the name of participating unit just as you would like it to be announced during the parade. This is also how it will appear in the Memorial Day Commemoration Program Book.

Point of Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email (this is how you will receive your staging information): _____

My group will be (please circle one):

Walking only

Combination walking and riding

Everyone is riding in a vehicle or float

Number and type of vehicle(s): _____

****How many spaces will your vehicle(s) and/or float(s) require for staging? (one space = 25 ft.) _____****



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Individual and Business Sponsorships and Memorials

February 22, 2023

Greetings!

The Sharpsburg Memorial Day Committee is currently in the process of preparing the commemorative program book for the annual Memorial Day Ceremony and Parade, and is now accepting requests for individual remembrances and business sponsorships to be featured in this year's issue. Submissions should be written or typed in block style exactly how you would like it to appear in the parade book, and be formatted in the following fashion:

Sample format:

In loving memory of Sgt. Robert Q. Sample, US Army, WWII,
By his family, children Joe and Jane, and grandchild William
A great man who will be missed by all who knew him

To have your personal message included in this year's parade book, you may send a check, made out to Town of Sharpsburg, along with your submission, to Town Hall at:

Memorial Day Parade Book
106 E Main St.
P.O. Box 368
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Or simply drop it off in person at the address listed above, at which time you will also have the option of paying with cash; the price for an entry is **\$2.00 for forty (40) words or less**. A copy of the parade book may also be reserved at this time for **an additional \$3.00**. Large groups, such as churches or other civic organizations, may select a designated representative to deliver their entries. Submissions must be received by **April 15, 2023**.

Be a part of history, and help us to continue this time honored tradition!

Regards,

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Remembrance/Sponsorship & Parade Book Request Form

Mail to or drop off at Town Hall at the address listed above, and please include contact information.
Price for entry is **\$2.00 for 40 words or less**. For book orders only, complete the bottom portion of this form.

Line 1: _____

Line 2: _____

Line 3: _____

Contact Information

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of Parade Books (\$3/ea., books will be available in Town Hall after May 23rd): _____

Method of Payment

Cash

☐

Check

☐

Sharpsburg Days

Vendor Application – Saturday, Oct. 7, 2023 9am to 4pm

Along Town Square

\$75 craft vendors up to one 10ft. X 10ft. net. Must bring own table, chair, pop up & displays.

\$100 food vendor per space (allowed up to one food trunk or outside equipment up to 20ft.

Deadline for vendor application: September 17 - Only quiet generators allowed!

Name: _____

Business: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Business name & Website/Facebook _____

List all items that you plan to sell here _____

All vendors must be preapproved prior to the event. We encourage local vendors and artists to

Participate. Anyone can apply, however preference is given to original handmade crafts and

Items if all available spaces are filled.

Please provide your website with photos of your items or attach at least two photos

Showcasing your work. Set up will be at 7am – Tear down at 4pm, no exceptions!

Payments are made out to Town of Sharpsburg. And are due with application. An invoice will be provided on the Day of the event. This is a rain or shine event. **All fees are non-refundable.** Vendors are

Responsible for collecting Maryland sales tax. Vendors shall remove all trash. Vendors agree to

Keep their booth set up the entire time of the event. All break down of displays shall be done

After 4 pm. Participants will not hold liable the Town of Sharpsburg, for injury to self, others or belongings during event. By signing and returning the Application, you agree to the above terms.

Signature _____ Date _____

Return completed application and fee to:

Town of Sharpsburg 106 E. Main Str. P.O. Box 368, Sharpsburg, MD. 21782

Email: Loveshistory.1866@gmail.com See our Facebook event for more info: Sharpsburg Days

Thank You for your interest.