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COUNCIL NEWS

These minutes are not the official minutes, nor are they a complete review of the business conducted. Requests for a copy of the complete minutes may be requested from the town clerk.

The meeting of the Sharpsburg Mayor and Council was called to order at 7:03pm by Mayor Spielman.

The minutes of the September meeting and the treasurer's report were both approved as presented.

Committee Reports

Parks and Railroad Station— the gates at the park have not been installed correctly. Long Fence will be returning to correct the problem. Once corrected, the park will be open from dawn until dusk, at which time the gates will be locked.

Building— Nothing to report
Streets— the alley bridge project bid was awarded to SGX, Inc. of Frederick, MD. The Notice of Award and the Contract will be mailed to the bid winner this week.

Planning and Zoning— Steve Goodrich and Jill Baker of the county planning department are working with the town on completion of the comprehensive plan.

Battlefield Advisory Committee— Mr. Jamieson will drop these minutes off to Kimberly for inclusion in the crier.

Archives— Nothing to report

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Public Safety— it was recommended to call Keedysville to see if they would be interested in talking with the town about sharing a police officer. Kimberly will contact Rick, Keedysville Town Manager.

Mayor's Report— the State Highway Administration has agreed to reinforce (i.e. repaint the white lines) the crosswalk in the town square. This will be put on their "to do" list.

Old Business

1. Code Enforcement Meeting—it was determined that the council is aware of the town ordinances, it just needs to be determined how to enforce them. Kimberly will call neighboring towns to see how they are handling this issue; either by police enforcement, internal correction or by hiring a Code Enforcement Officer.
2. Elevator Contract—an elevator contract needs to be decided upon before the end of the year. Copies of possible contracts were distributed in June. The council will review over these and will decide something at the November meeting.
3. Bike Racks—possible areas for placing the bike racks were discussed. Property owners that the bike racks would affect will be con-

4. Copier—the council wishes to see further quotes and pricing on replacing the current machine. Kimberly will obtain this information and it will be discussed in November.
5. Planning Commission Ordinance—since the town currently has no ordinance in regards to forming and maintaining a planning commission, an ordinance will need to be written and established. Brian Kane handed out a draft of an ordinance for review. This will be discussed at future meetings.
6. Code of the town—the town code/ordinances have been formatted and typed so that it can be placed on-line and/or on the website. This document will be reviewed for errors and then a decision will be made as to where to publish it. Currently, the library and the town office have copies of the town code.

New Business

1. Our Zoning Administrator has resigned as of September 30, 2011. Kimberly will be filling in until this position is filled or other arrangements have been made.
2. Elevator Service—the elevator is due for inspection. Kimberly will contact a certified inspector to have this completed.

The meeting was adjourned at 10pm. The next meeting will be

held on Monday, November 7th at **7pm**. The meetings are open to the public.

For more information, or to volunteer for the planning commission, call the town clerk at 301-432-4428.

Town Hall Announcements

Town Office Hours

The town office will now be open Monday-Thursday from 8:30am-2pm. Additional hours are available by appointment by calling the clerk during normal business hours.

Town Office Closures

The town office will be closed on the following days:

Thursday, November 24th
Thursday, December 22nd
Monday, December 26th
Monday, January 2nd

Trick or Treat



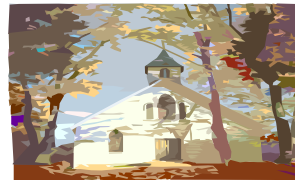
Trick or treat will be held on Monday, October 31st from 6-8pm. If you would like to participate in distributing treats to the children, please turn your porch light on.

Planning Commission Vacancies

The Mayor and Council are seeking interested persons to serve on the Planning Commission.

According to the Maryland Department of Planning, members of the planning commission have accepted the civic responsibility of helping residents and business and property owners articulate and achieve a vision for how they want their community to look and function in the future. The planning commission is the primary entity responsible for long term, comprehensive planning, having the ability to put some foresight into planning and development decisions.

WORSHIP INFORMATION



SHARPSBURG BIBLE CHURCH

Rev. Gene Renner
5134 General Stewart Court
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Sunday School: 9:30am
Worship Service: 10:30am and 6:00pm
Wednesday Worship Service: 7:00pm

SHARPSBURG BRETHERN CHURCH

120 East Main Street
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Worship Service: 10:00am
Children's Sunday School: 10:30am
Adult Sunday School: 11:00am

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Rev. Mark Wastler
www.stpaulsharpsburg.org
209 West Main Street
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Worship Service: 10am
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Rev. Delancy Catlett
117 West Main Street
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Worship Service: 9:00am
Sunday School: 10:00am

SHARPSBURG LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Karen Valentine
201 East Main Street
Sharpsburg, Maryland 21782

Sunday School: 9:00am
Worship Service: 10:00am

Church News

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is collecting food for the South County Food Bank and the Brownsville Food Bank in anticipation of families needing Thanksgiving meals. Food will be gathered from October 2 through November 6. Church members invite local residents to join in the food drive by bringing food to the church at 209 West Main Street on Sunday mornings between 9am and 11:30am. Church runs from 10 to 11am. Please come before or after the service, bringing all food items to the kitchen at the rear of the church. Suggested food items include: sweet potatoes, sauerkraut, canned gravy, corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, instant potatoes, canned fruit, jello and dessert items. All kinds of food are always needed, especially breakfast items and treats for children. Please call Ann Ashbaugh at 301-582-2287 with any questions.

- Carolyn Shaw

Local Businesses

Accommodations

Antietam Guest House
111 W. Chapline Street
301-992-9017

www.antietamguesthouse.com

Jacob Rohrbach Inn Bed and Breakfast

138 W. Main Street
301-432-5079

www.jacob-rohrbach-inn.com

Mary Hill House

211 E. Main Street
301-432-7984

www.maryhillhouse.com

Automotive Care

B&B Automotive

113 E. High Street (Rear)
301-432-2478

Accounting & Banking Services

David H. Peters & Assoc. CPA's

100 E. Main Street
301-432-5501

Jefferson Security Bank

103 W. Main Street
301-432-3900

www.jeffersonsecuritybank.com

Dining

Captain Benders Tavern

111 E. Main Street
301-432-5813

www.captainbenders.com

GeGe's Place

208 S. Church Street
301-432-1150

Pete's Tavern

144 W. Main Street
301-432-2591

Nutter's Ice Cream

100 E. Main Street
301-432-5809

Gas Stations

Sharpsburg BP

139 E. Main Street
301-432-6330

Library

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106 E. Main Street
301-432-8825

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Salon's and Spas

Hair Garage

244 W. Main Street
301-432-8171

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244 W. Main Street
301-432-8171

Kathy's Hair Care
106 N. Potomac Street
301-432-6542

Valetta V's Salon and Spa
109 E. Main Street
301-432-4993

Shopping

Collectable Quilts and Dry Goods
118 E. Main Street
301-491-7045

Sharpsburg Armory
101 W. Main Street

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

Veteran's Day Ceremony November 11, 2011 at 11:00 AM



Antietam Unit 236, American Legion Auxiliary, will host a wreath laying ceremony at Sharpsburg Town Square, featuring the honor guard of the West Virginia Air National Guard 167th Airlift Wing of Martinsburg, WV, guest speaker Park Ranger Alann Schmidt of the Antietam National Battlefield and students from the music department of Shepherd University. The 4th and 5th grade classes of the Sharpsburg Elementary School will also be participating. All veterans are invited to come and be honored and the public is encouraged to attend to honor those veterans.

- Ava Gift

Battlefield Advisory Committee



Thanks to Perry Jamieson for providing the committee's report for publication in the crier.

The Visitor Center hours are 8:30am-5:00pm. The Hospital and Newcomer House HCWHA Exhibit and Visitor Center are also open daily from 11am-5pm and then weekends only in November.

The 149th Battle Anniversary weekend brought 6, 115 visitors through the park.

Living history demonstrations are scheduled for each of the weekends in October.

The Memorial Illumination will be held on Saturday, December 3, 2011. Bag filling will be Saturday, November 12th at the Washington County Agricultural Education Center.

Planning for the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam is underway.

The battlefield's fire weather station recorded 4.71 inches of rain in September and 1.35 inches so far in October. Approximately 30 inches of rain have been recorded so far this year.

A Superintendent still has not been selected. Chief Ranger Ed Wenschhof continues to serve as the Acting Superintendent. He can be reached at 301-432-2243 X 11 or ed_wenschhof@nps.gov.

Citizen Corner

Another summer has passed. I would like to thank those that have kept our cemeteries very well maintained; Sonny Edleblute, Dustin Clipp, Donnie Chaney, Mike Crist and Ralph Dodson. They have spent many hours mowing and trimming Mountain View Cemetery and the Methodist Cemetery on Hall Street.

If you happen to see any of these persons, give them a big "thank you." They have done a wonderful job once again.

- Darlene Albritton

To the Heritage Festival:

Everyone who took part in organizing the heritage festival, job well done!

Everyone seemed to be enjoying themselves and the layout this year seemed to be more open and spread out.

Thanks Heritage Festival Committee and keep up the good work!

- Darlene Albritton

If you would like to contribute to the Citizen Corner, email the town at townofsharpsburg@comcast.net or call the town office at 301-432-4428.

Town Office Hours:	
Monday-Thursday 8:30am-2:00pm	
(Additional hours by appointment)	
Hal Spielman, Mayor	432-6854
Bryan Gabriel, Vice Mayor	432-2478
COUNCIL	
Mathew Barnhart	992-4335
Darryl Benner	991-2230
Cathy Hull	304-279-8440
Jennifer Silbert	432-7984
Brandon Smith	432-1941
TOWN OFFICIALS	
Kimberly Fulk, Town Clerk	240-675-7466
Debra Jamison, Tax Collector	432-6572
Patti Hammond, Planning Com.	432-5965
Anna Jamison, Election Board	432-6572

TOWN ORGANIZATIONS		
Am Leg. Aux.	Ava Gift	432-6658
Hist. Society	Vernell Doyle	992-9767
Mt. View Cemetery	Jeff Saylor	432-4428
Cub Scouts	Michael Miles	432-0275
Boy Scouts	John Stewart	432-0564
CHURCHES		
Brethren	Lilly Grayson	432-6174
Bible	Rev. Gene Renner	739-1882
Episcopal	Carolyn Shaw	791-3357
Lutheran	Rev. Karen Valentine	304-676-9974
UCC	Melissa Reiff	465-9411

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