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Warren Davis Edition*



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The “64” and Its Long Journey Home

In 1963 Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company operated out of a 2 bay fire house on West Chapline St.. They operated their first fire truck, a used Seagrave purchased from the Bethesda, Md. Fire Department and a 1953 Ford American purchased new in 1953. The company decided to replace the Seagrave and ordered a 1964 Ford 800 500 gallon per minute pump with a 500 gallon water tank manufactured by American Fire Apparatus.

In late 1964 Warren “Woodpecker” Davis and his wife Pansy boarded a train to Battle Creek Michigan to pick up the new fire engine. Being a railroad man himself, Woodpecker was very comfortable traveling by train. Ironically, while riding the rails the train derailed causing a slight delay in their arrival to Battle Creek.

Woodpecker and Pansy arrived at the factory, where they inspected the shiny new fire engine before heading back to Maryland. They loaded up in the fire engine and began the long trek back to Sharpsburg. Not too far from the factory they experienced mechanical issues and returned to the factory to have the issue corrected. After a short delay they began the trip back again.



Warren “Woodpecker” Davis in uniform, WWII. Fire Chief



Brand New!

The new fire engine arrived in Sharpsburg with much fanfare where it began its service to the citizens of the Sharpsburg Community. The “64” as it was affectionately known, served the Sharpsburg Community well. Over the years it ran many emergency incidents. Every kid in Sharpsburg was able to climb on the fire truck when it visited Sharpsburg elementary school or even when it was sitting in front of the

firehouse on Chapline St. Memorial Day was a big day in Sharpsburg. Many townspeople would take weeks preparing for the parade. The fire company was no exception. With the front mount pump the 64 would start at one end of town and go to the other cleaning the streets. The ladders were used to hang the red, white, and blue banners up and down Main Street. Leading up to parade day the members would spend hours cleaning and polishing the fire trucks. The 64 would lead the way for the fire company during the parade.

In 1974 a new fire engine was purchased from American Fire Apparatus and the “64” was relegated to reserve status watching the new fire truck run all the emergency calls. It sat in the

firehouse while the new one went to the school so the kids could climb on it and it followed the 1974 fire engine in the Memorial Day Parade.

In 1983 a new fire engine was purchased and the “64” knew its days in Sharpsburg were short lived. The “64” left Sharpsburg with no fan fare when it was purchased by the Alabama Department of Forestry. The Alabama Department of Forestry loaned the “64” first to Ridge Road Volunteer Fire Company and then to Wing Volunteer Fire Company in southern Alabama. While serving Wing the “64” had one last opportunity to prove its capabilities by serving the residents of Wing after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

Soon after the “64” was sent back to the Alabama Department of Forestry where it was auctioned off for scrap.

Lake Charles Louisiana Fire Department Training Chief Ken Brown saw the “64” at auction and purchased it as a project for him, his son, and his father to work on. Ken eventually decided to sell the fire truck. In 2015, Sharpsburg Volunteer member Doug Reel was shown the picture of the 64 and sent it to member Matty Ryan who verified it was actually the “64” that ran at Sharpsburg all those years. Chief Brown was contacted and arrangements were made to purchase the “64” and return her home. The challenge of transporting her home was made possible by Darryl Olden of Olden Trucking in Boonsboro who agreed to load her on his flatbed tractor and trailer and bring her home. She arrived



Found after all those years.

back in Sharpsburg where she was backed into the same bay she occupied many years.



Mid restoration.

Restoration efforts were began at the old station where many members contributed to getting her back in operating condition.

Once the mechanical work was completed, Kenny Frey loaded up the “64” to take it to Hagerstown Spring and Alignment to be painted. After returning to the station the process began of gathering all the vintage equipment to mount and finishing the electrical work. An interesting fact is the coats and helmets are all original to the “64”.

In May of 2024 the “64” made her homecoming debut during the Memorial Day Parade 60 years after her first parade.

The cost of the restoration was done through a special fund raiser and donations from the community. Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company extends its thanks to the following for all their work and donations of time & equipment to make this project a success

A special thanks to the Town of Sharpsburg for the grant to help defray the cost.

Ken Brown for saving her from the scrapyard.

Darryl Olden for hauling her home.

Andrew Coblentz and Billy Turner for all the mechanical work.

Kenny Frey for hauling the 64 to get painted

Hagerstown Spring and Alignment for the beautiful paint job.

Jimmy Picking for the electrical work and rewiring the emergency lights.

Mick Carr and Rick from TMG Studios in Hagerstown for all the lettering and graphics.

Ron Milburn custom made the wooden hose bed.

Darryl Benner for his accurate historical perspective

Lastly, A huge thanks to all the SVFC members who helped with this project.

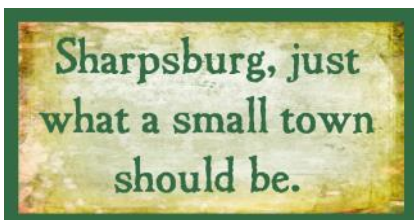
My apologies if I missed anyone.

- Mattie Ryan



Back home, restored, and doing duty again!

*(Editor's Note: Many thanks to Mattie Ryan for recording this piece of our history. There are many still living, including the Editor, who remember the day that bright, white, new, and **LOUD** fire truck came to town. The "64" joins other parts of our history that went on long journeys only to return to the place we love. For another remarkable journey, see "The Amazing Odyssey of the Mumma Bible" in the May 2024 Crier. Warren "Woodpecker" Davis and his contribution to our town and nation was highlighted in the January 2024 Crier...he earned the Silver Star!)*



From the Mayor and Council

Zoning

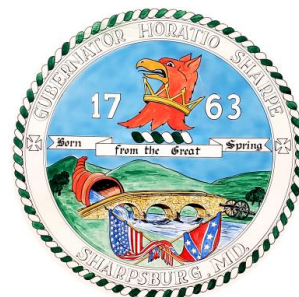
Notice of Public Hearing: October 1, 2024, Town Hall, 106 East Main Street, Sharpsburg, MD at 7:00 p.m. Read the entire notice on Page 14

Fall Brush Pick-Up

The Town will be conducting the Fall brush pick up the week of October 14. Set out nothing larger than 6" in diameter and loads no larger than the size of a small truck bed. If a resident removes a large tree or hires a contractor to trim or remove trees and/or shrubbery, it is the responsibility of the resident to pay the contractors to haul the material away. If you have questions, please contact Robbie Waters at 240-382-4561



Speaking of Robbie, the Editor caught him just this morning out showcasing the Town Motto.



Trick or Treat 2024

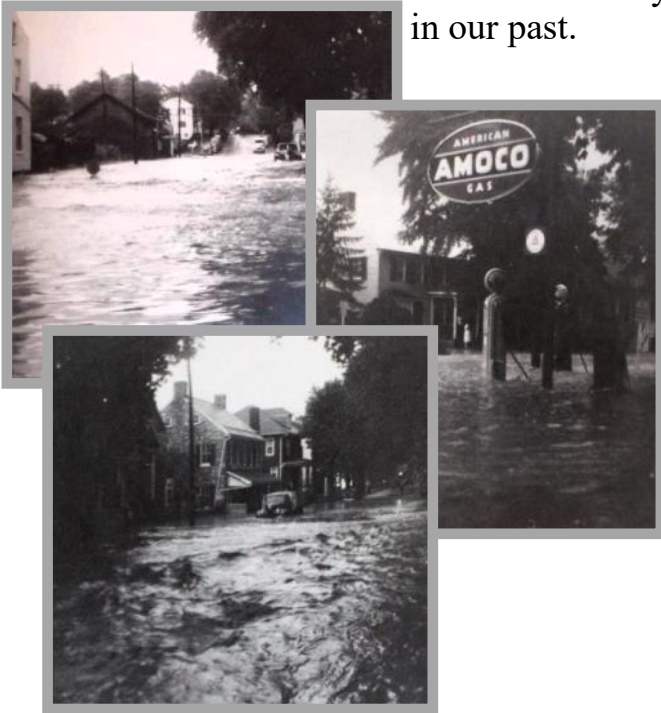
Trick or Treat will be held in the town on Thursday, October 31st from 6-8 PM

About the Town

Living in the Past: The 1936 Flood

It was called the Record Flood of 1936, the Great Potomac Flood, or Saint Patrick's Day Flood of 1936. It occurred March 17-19, 1936 and was one of the region's worst natural disasters. It was literally a perfect storm. A huge persistent Gulf storm on the entire east coast coincided with a sudden snowmelt in the West Virginia and Maryland highlands. As bad as it was here in town, nearby Bridgeport on the Canal down the hill from Ferry Hill simply ceased to exist but for the three houses that you can see there today. They were above the high point of 17 feet of water higher than the canal.

Many thanks to Carla Fournier Simmons for providing these photos and reminding us of those terrible days in our past.



Top to bottom: North Mechanic St., Main St. at Town Hall, and East Main St.

- Editor

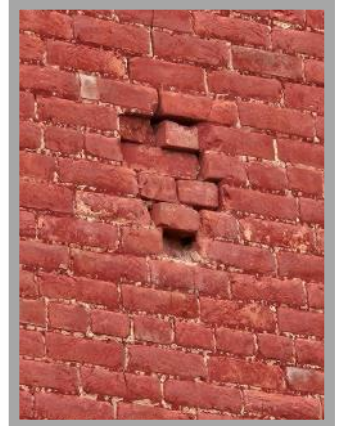
Artifacts of the Month

This month, we depart from the usual habit of highlighting a Sharpsburg Museum of History artifact and we go out into the streets and inside a local house.

As catastrophic¹ as the Battle of Antietam and its aftermath was for this small place, there's remarkably little visible damage in our time. That said, there is something to see at 111 East Chapline Street, the Boyer house. On the east facing exterior wall one may still see the repaired hole through which an artillery round passed. Amazingly, you can see where that projectile also passed through the wooden handrail of the staircase to the second floor. The family was careful to make minimal repairs to the handrail so as to record the event for us.

- Editor

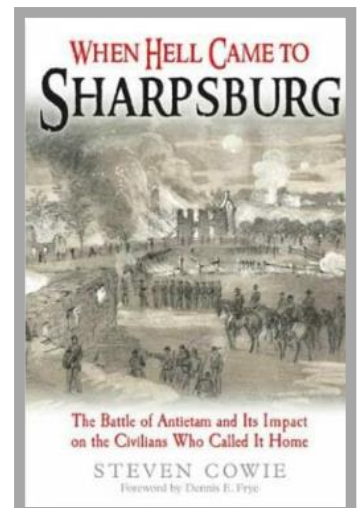
¹ - For a harrowing account of just how awful that time was for our town, read *When Hell Came to Sharpsburg* by Steven Cowie



Where the artillery round entered.



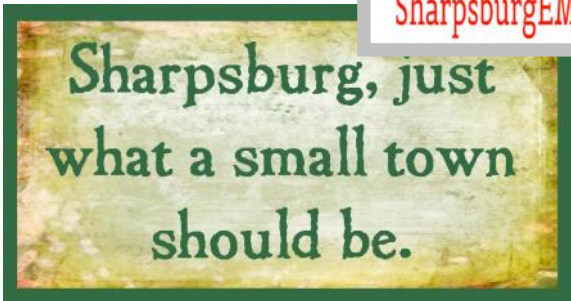
Where it went through the bannister.



Public Service Reminder From the Fire and Rescue Folks: Mark Your Mailbox!

We can't help you if we can't find you. Please make sure your driveway and or mailbox is clearly marked.

- Breeze Benner, Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company



...and finally.

Caught in the Act...Of Doing Good!

Want to feel good about something?

The Editor recently caught a dozen or so local folks working with Come All Who Are Thirsty to rejuvenate the landscape at Sharpsburg Elementary School. Here we see Dorothy and Stephen Lowe at work moving mulch. Dorothy currently co-reigns as Miss Sharpsburg. <https://www.facebook.com/comeallwhoarethirsty>



- Editor



Community Calendar (September to December)

September 25 at 6PM: **Gardening Know-How with Master Gardener Trica, PawPaws**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

September 26 at 3:30PM: **Community Story Times at Little Brick Coffee**
16613 Shepherdstown Pike,
Sharpsburg, MD 21782
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

September 26 5PM to 7PM: **Naloxone (Narcan) How and When to Use It**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

September 26 2PM 4PM: **Free Therapeutic Garden Tour**
Western Maryland Hospital Center,
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue in Hagerstown
301-791-1604, acormany@umd.edu

September 28 at **Birds Over Antietam**, Sporting Clays Invitational
Registration Required, see phone and email below
240-816-1824 sharpsburgvfc@gmail.com

September 28 10AM to 2PM: **Pollinator Palooza**
County Agricultural Education Center, 7303 Sharpsburg Pike
301-791-1604, acormany@umd.edu

September 29 11AM to 1PM: **Monarch Butterfly Tagging**
(Meet at the Cornfield parking area.)

Antietam Battlefield
301-432-5124

October 1 at 7PM: **Board of Zoning Appeals**
Town Hall, 106 East Main Street
301-432-4428

October 2 at 1PM: **Camino Ghosts by John Grisham**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 4: **Place Orders for Ham Sandwiches (Lion's Club)** Pick Up
October 10 6:30PM to PM at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 209 West Main St.
301-582-1728, sharpsburglions@gmail.com
See poster Page 15

October 5 from 9:30AM to 12:45PM: **Sharpsburg Days Scavenger Hunt** (Come in and pick up a list of questions, find the answers around town.)
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 5: **Sharpsburg Day**
106 E Main St, Sharpsburg, MD 21782
301-432-4428

October 5 10AM to 2PM: **Tolson's Chapel Open House** (National Park Service Partner Program)
111 High St, Sharpsburg
301-432-5124

October 5 at 10AM: **Lego Club**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 5 at **Birds Over Antietam**,
Sporting Clays Invitational
Registration Required, see phone
and email below
240-816-1824 sharps-
burgvfc@gmail.com

October 5 at 2PM: **Commanders of
Antietam, Marty Pritchett – Col.
James A. Walker**
Pry House Barn, 18906 Shepherd-
stown Pike, Keedysville, MD 21756
president@antietaminstitute.org

October 7 at 6PM: **Town Council
Meeting**
Sharpsburg Town Hall
106 E Main St, Sharpsburg, MD
21782
301-432-4428

October 12 at 11AM and 1PM: **Arti-
lery Firing Demonstration**
New York State Monument near Visi-
tors Center
Antietam Battlefield
301-432-5124

October 11 at 3:00PM: **Antietam
Pumpkins, Stories and Crafts**
(Weather Permitting)
4410 Harpers Ferry Rd
Sharpsburg, MD 21782
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 13 at 11AM and 1PM: **His-
toric Weapons Demonstrations**
New York State Monument near Visi-
tors Center
Antietam Battlefield
301-432-5124

October 13 at 1PM: **Crab Feed** (A
Sharpsburg Fire Company Event)

Cochran's Auction Complex, 7704
Mapleville Rd, Boonsboro
sharpsburgvfc@gmail.com / 443-398
-4510

October 14 All Week: **Fall Brush
Pick Up**
240-382-4561

October 17 4PM to 7PM: **Sharps-
burg Elementary Night at Antie-
tam Pumpkins** (See Poster on Page
15)
4410 Harpers Ferry Rd
301-465-9070

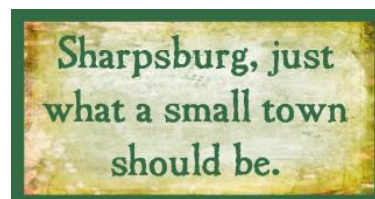
October 19 at 2PM: **Commanders
of Antietam, Jim Smith – Brig.
Gen. Max Weber**
Pry House Barn, 18906 Shepherd-
stown Pike, Keedysville, MD 21756
president@antietaminstitute.org

October 23 at 1:30PM: **The Legend
of Sleepy Hollow**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 26 at 10AM to 12NOON:
**Meet the Author, Secret of Black
Rock Mountain, by Robin Murphy**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 30 at 6PM: **All about Bats!**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

October 31 at 3:30PM: **Special Sto-
ry Times, Halloween Party!**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825



October 31 6PM to 8PM: **Sharpsburg Trick or Treat**
106 E Main St, Sharpsburg, MD
21782
301-432-4428

November 2 from 10AM to 2PM:
FarmFest 2023, Green Hill Farm
5329 Mondell Rd.
Sharpsburg, MD
Navigate to their homepage for more information.

November 3: **Set your clocks back**
one hour.

December 7 at 6PM to 11:45PM: **Antietam Battlefield Memorial Illumination**
Antietam Battlefield
301-432-5124

Recurring Events

October 4-18 Anytime We're Open:
Fall Decorating Contest
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Second Wednesdays from 12Noon to 1:30PM: **Lunch and Fellowship at the Brethren Church**
123 E Main St.
301-432-4944 / sharpsburgcob@outlook.com

First Wednesdays of the month at 1PM **Adults: Book Share**
Sharpsburg Library
301-432-8825

Thursdays at 3:30PM: **Storytime**
(Ages 3 and Up)
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
sharpsburglions@gmail.com

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 10AM, 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
Sunday Worship - 9:00am, Sunday School - 10:15am

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

(Debbie Smith – Town Clerk)

106 East Main Street

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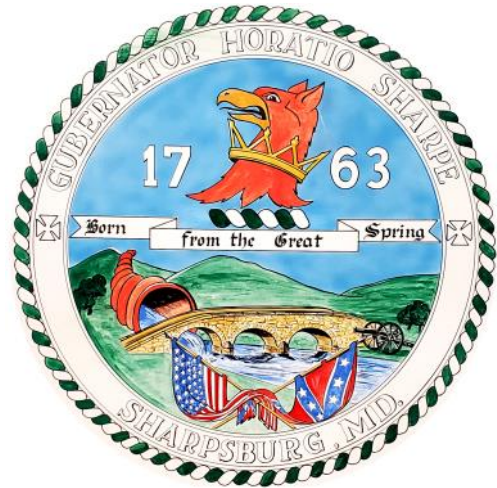
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Zoning Administrator-Tim Lung

Sharpsburg.md.zoning@gmail.com



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ATTACHMENTS:

SHARPSBURG MAYOR AND COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
September 9, 2024

The Mayor and Council of Sharpsburg, MD held their monthly meeting on Monday, September 9, 2024 at 6:26 PM in the Council meeting room of Town Hall located at 106 E. Main Street in Sharpsburg. In attendance were Mayor Russell Weaver, Vice Mayor Jacob Martz, Councilmembers Ed Beeler and Joseph Kudla. Councilmembers John Hammond, Mia Parsons and Robbie Waters were absent. Town Administrator Debra Smith was also present and Zoning Administrator Tim Lung was present via zoom.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE led by Girl Scout Ellie Johnkin with a moment of silence held for former Councilman Don Kable.

GUESTS/CITIZENS COMMENTS

- **Ellie Johnkin – Presentation of Proposed Girl Scout Silver Award Project**
Ellie earned the Bronze award as part of the team who installed the pollinator garden at the Sharpsburg park and would like to add on to that project to earn her silver award. Ellie is proposing install a rain barrel with a flower planter on top to help water the pollinator garden. The project needs to be completed by September 30th. Mayor Weaver stated that he would like to see either 2 containers or 1 larger one and consensus to donate up to \$500 towards the project and request that Robbie Waters assist.
- Brianna Candelaria of 124 E. Main Street stated that the tree in front of her property is dead and the historic wall in the rear of her property that adjoins with the neighbor is deteriorating. Mayor Weaver stated that the town can remove and replace the dead tree with a Maple tree, but technically the wall is on private property but suggested that there may be funding available to assist in its repair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
August 5, 2024 Regular Minutes. Consensus to approve.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS
August 2024 Financial Report. Consensus to approve.

- CORRESPONDENCE**
1. MML – Town of Keedysville – Monday, September 23rd
 2. Sharpsburg Day – Saturday, October 5th – 1 event meeting held. Will be meeting each Saturday until the event. Advertised for volunteers. Mayor stated that he would like this event to be a day of celebration and a day of giving back.
 3. County Commissioners Meeting in Sharpsburg – Tuesday, September 24th
Proposed topic for discussion with the County Commissioner's:
 - Water and Sewer Rates
 - Assistance with spraying the weeds on the stone wall along E. Main Street
 - Elementary School Maintenance
 - HB 538 Housing Affordability Act

- ZONING ADMINISTRATORS REPORT – Tim Lung**
- Issued notice of violation to the owner of property along the south side of E. Antietam St. regarding removal of unlicensed/expired vehicles (junk). Compliance date is Sept 12. Will conduct an inspection following the compliance date.
 - Met with MDE representative along with Council persons Martz and Waters for a MDE Waterway Construction Permit pre-application meeting for the Big Spring wall restoration project. Continue to gather information and preparation of the permit application.
 - Reviewed Town Zoning regulations and definitions regarding mobile/manufactured homes in response to Council questions associated with HB 538 Housing Expansion and Affordability Act. Applicable sections of the Town Zoning Ordinance are attached.
 - Received an application from Robert Campbell to establish a museum at his property at 137 East Main Street. This requires a Special Exception in the TR Zoning District. The Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday October 1 at 7pm. The Public Hearing Notice will be posted on the property, published in

The Town Crier and the Town's Social Media. Notice will be mailed to adjoining confronting property owners and posted at the Post Office. Application sent to the Planning Commission for a recommendation.

- There have been two resignations from the Board of Zoning Appeals and one inactive member. The Board requires three primary members and two alternates. Council should appoint 3 new members.
- Work on the proposed draft Zoning Ordinance text amendments and violation notice regarding Home Occupation businesses on hold pending scheduling of a workshop meeting with the Planning Commission and Council.
- Reviewing Maryland Department of Planning Annual Report filing form. When complete, will forward to the Planning Commission for approval.
- Responded to several inquiries regarding zoning and permitting requirement questions
- Pending scheduling of a meeting with Town officials and Staff and Greg Cartrette, Director of the County Permitting and Inspections Department to introduce new County staff that will be working with the Town and review building code changes

MAYORS REPORT – Mayor Weaver

- Wells - RFP response due 9/11 @ 2pm
- Historic Park - RFP response due 9/13 @ 11am
- Boyer House - We are seeking to use the money allocated for purchase to develop interpretation
- Lutheran Cemetery - Need to make this a focus item for this fiscal year
- Big Spring - Recommending to proceed with our and county money without MHT grant.
- Sharpsburg Days - Asking for volunteers and position day as a celebration of Sharpsburg
- Sign at Elementary School - We have preliminary permission to place a sign in front of school for Sharpsburg
- Water and Sewer rates - Discuss with commissioners and feedback for community

COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORTS

Vice Mayor Martz:

- Attended a meeting with Tim, Robbie and MDE Representative at Big Spring to discuss restoration project scope and details.
- Along with Russ and Debbie, attended a meeting with FSA Representative Tony Taylor to discuss the bidding phase of the Interpretive Park project.
- Visited Boyer House twice to assess and collect any remaining and potentially significant items that were left which could be of value to the Museum.
- Initiated trademark legal process for town motto.
- Attended 100th Anniversary of Marine Corps march from Quantico event at Antietam Battlefield. Had an opportunity to engage with the Marine Corps Band, Marine Corps Historical Company, and active-duty Marines from a Reconnaissance Battalion stationed Ft. Detrick to solicit their participation in next year's Memorial Day Parade.

Councilmember Beeler – Sharpsburgh Museum of History Report for August 2024

Attendance: July - 193 August - 166 YTD – 1246

- Donations: June – We received a big donation from SHAF, I told a team of 12 people in to the Boyer House and we were allowed to take anything that we wanted for the museum.
- The first part of restoring a section of the Antietam Diorama is slowly being work on due to Max going back to school. This section will cover Bloody Lane, Roulette, Mumma, Piper and the Clipp House and it will show what the different fields around that area had in 1862, please we can continue showing our visitors what each family went through before, during and after the Battle of Antietam.
- We will be starting to sell chances for a Sharpsburg Basket for a fundraiser for SMH
- Our Rack Card are updated and the new ones are in. Thanks to Laura Oates Design and the CVB are to sponsor them.
- SMH will be running the Information table this year at Sharpsburg Day on Saturday October 5th and also selling items plus our Sharpsburg Basket Chances which will be drawing the ticket that day.
- September weekend of the 17th Battle of Antietam Anniversary Weekend, we will be open that Saturday with a table and some volunteers outside and inside.

- Our new schedules for 2025 & 2026 which will be the year of Celebration since our country and County turns 250 Years. If anyone has any ideas you would like to see let me know but in order to have these events, we need volunteers.

Councilmember Kudla – stated that the stone wall repairs on E. Main Street are almost complete.

Councilmember Waters: absent but proposed brush collection date is the week of October 14th

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Community Partners Reports:

M. Deputy Watkins - August 2024:

Antietam Station - 10 checks.
 Little League - 10 checks.
 Park - 12 checks.
 Elementary School - 22 checks.
 Traffic Enforcement - 8.5 hours.
 Calls for Service - 14.
 Court - 1

Total WCSO events in Sharpsburg in August - 195

Burglary - 0
 Theft - 1
 Theft from Motor Vehicle - 0
 Disorderly - 0
 Suspicious - 0
 MDOP - 0
 Undesirable - 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Revised Alley Naming Proposal Approval – Consensus to approve the Alley names as previously proposed.

Alley 1 – Biggs Alley
 Alley 4 – Tolsons Alley
 Alley 5 – Garrison Spring Alley
 Alley 10 – Clipp Alley
 Trading Post Alley
 McNally Alley

Alley 9 One-Way to Snyders Landing Rd Proposal - Tabled

Town Hall/Library ADA Ramp Replacement Update - Tabled

Board of Supervisors of Elections Appointment - Mayor Weaver appointed Cathy Mauck.

2025 Trash Collection Bid Review – the RFP for trash collection is being prepared by Town Administrator Debra Smith with the following proposed changes:

1. Change the initial contract period from 1 year to 18 months with a 1-year renewal option to place the contract on a fiscal year period.
2. Because the town only has small businesses, all will be eligible for collection under the contract with the only exclusion being no collection of dumpster units.
3. The RFP is requesting Additional Proposals in the SCOPE OF WORK;
 - A. Spring Curbside Bulk Collection
 - B. Company Provided Trash
 - C. Landfill Tipping Fees quote for collection with third party billing to be paid by the Town directly to the W. C. Landfill.

Consensus to prepare the RFP as proposed.

Trick or Treat Date – Thursday, October 31st from 6 – 8 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted;

Debra A. Smith
 Town Administrator/Clerk

**SHARPSBURG MAYOR AND COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
ALLEY 9 ONE-WAY TO SNYDERS LANDING RD PROPOSAL
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024
6:00 PM**

The Mayor and Council of Sharpsburg, MD held a Public Hearing on Monday, September 9, 2024 in the Council meeting room of Town Hall located at 106 E. Main Street in Sharpsburg. In attendance were Mayor Russell Weaver, Vice Mayor Jacob Martz, Councilmembers Ed Beeler and Joseph Kudla. Councilmembers John Hammond, Mia Parsons and Robbie Waters were absent. Town Administrator Debra Smith was also present and Zoning Administrator Tim Lung was present via zoom.

Mayor Weaver stated that a complaint was received regarding the amount of out-of-town traffic that travels on the alley to the boat ramp which led to a proposal to make Alley 9 one-way to Snyders Landing Rd.

Mayor Weaver asked for any comments regarding the proposal.

- Claudine Marcum of 305 W. Chapline Street stated that she was against the proposal because the properties in the 300 block of Chapline facing west have legal street parking that faces west, which requires access through Alley 9 going South. The proposed change would require some of the property owners on Chapline Street to make a dangerous 3-point turn in the street, park illegally or drive all the way around using Alley 12 and unmarked Alley making it difficult to see cars coming up Chapline St.

Other alternatives were discussed to include Resident Use Only in lieu of the One-Way north and the addition of a Do Not Enter sign being placed on Main Street at Alley 9.

The public hearing closed at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Smith
Town Administrator



Town of Sharpsburg
106 East Main Street
Sharpsburg, MD 21782
Phone: 301-432-4428
<http://sharpsburgmd.com/>

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
OCTOBER 1, 2024

Town Hall, 106 East Main Street, Sharpsburg, MD at 7:00 p.m.

DOCKET NO. BZA-24-001: An appeal was made by Robert Campbell for a Special Exception to establish a museum in an existing structure containing a dwelling unit, owned by the applicant and located at 137 East Main Street, zoned TR-Town Residential.

Pursuant to the Maryland Open Meetings Law, notice is hereby given that the deliberations of the Board of Zoning Appeals are open to the public. Furthermore, the Board, at its discretion, may render a decision as to some or all of the cases at the hearing described above or at a subsequent hearing, the date and time of which will be announced prior to the conclusion of the public hearing. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Debbie Smith, Town Administrator at 301 432 4428 no later than September 23, 2024. Any person desiring a stenographic transcript shall be responsible for supplying a competent stenographer.

Applicants shall have ten (10) minutes in which to present their request and may, upon request to and permission of the Board, receive an additional twenty (20) minutes for their presentation. Following the Applicant's case in chief, other individuals may receive three (3) minutes to testify, except in the circumstance where an individual is representing a group, in which case said individual shall be given eight (8) minutes to testify.

For extraordinary cause, the Board may extend any time period set forth herein, or otherwise modify or suspend these Rules, to uphold the spirit of the Ordinance and to do substantial justice.

The application and associated documents are available for review at the Town Hall office during normal Town business hours.

Timothy Lung
Zoning Administrator

Sharpsburg Lions Club



Country Ham Sandwich Sale Sandwiches are only \$5.00

Orders are being taken until October 4th
Call Lion Delancy Catlett at 301-582-1728
or email: sharpsburglions@gmail.com

Pick up on Octpber 10th,
between 6:30pm 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 benefits the Sharpsburg Community



SHARPSBURG
ELEMENTARY NIGHT
AT ANTIETAM
PUMPKINS

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October 17th 4pm-7pm

COME OUT FOR A FUN NIGHT AT THE
PUMPKIN PATCH SPONSORED BY
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**STUDENTS GET FREE ADMISSION TO
ACTIVITY AREA**

FAMILY MEMBERS \$7/PERSON

THE CHICKEN WINGBOYS WILL BE ONSITE TO
PROVIDE DELICIOUS FOOD AND DRINKS

An illustration of several pumpkins in various colors (orange, green, yellow) at the bottom of the poster.

Sharpsburg Volunteer Fire Company



Crab Feed



OCTOBER 19, 2024
COCHRAN'S AUCTION COMPLEX

7704 MAPLEVILLE RD, BOONSBORO, MD

Door open at Noon, Dinner at 1 PM, Crabs 2-5 PM

Ticket includes: 1 Chicken Dinner w/Sides, "All you can eat Maryland Crabs", Corn on the Cob, "Fireman's Milk", & Assorted Beverages & Snacks



Must be 18 to attend & 21 to drink alcohol.
Crab provided by J.R. Thomas Seafood & Catering - No Refunds

GAMING & RAFFLES
ALL NIGHT

See an SVFC Member for Tickets or contact
 sharpsburgvfc@gmail.com or Text 443-398-4510

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Birds Over
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8am Registration & Breakfast
 9am Tournament Begins
 12pm Expected Award Time
 1pm Additional Games Available

SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

RAINDATE SEPTEMBER 29

- ☑ \$250 for Teams of 4 or \$70/person
- ☑ 10 Station Course (10 shots each)
- ☑ Mulligans @ \$10 per shot
- ☑ Additional Shooting Games After Main Shoot
- ☑ Warm-up Shots Available
- ☑ Bring your own shells (1oz-7.5 shot) or purchase on site
- ☑ Breakfast sandwich & drink included
- ☑ Additional food available for purchase



Awards for:
 • Top Shooter
 • Top Team

Cash Awards for:
 • Top 3 Teams
 • Top 3 Individuals

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