

**SHARPTOWN REGULAR MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 3, 2016**

President Gosnell called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m. In attendance were Commissioners Thompson, Bennett, Bradley, and Schneider, Clerk/Treasurer Schneider, Secretary Adkins, Roscoe Leslie, and Superintendant White.

Commissioner Bennett made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19th regular meeting. A second was made by Commissioner Schneider. All were in favor, so carried.

Commissioner Bradley made a motion to pay the bills as stated on pages 4 and 5, which was seconded by Commissioner Schneider. All were in favor, so carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The solar project was discussed. The Rose's land was appraised and they are waiting to hear from the bank with a number.

President Gosnell spoke with Howard Crossen about the Dollar General. They are in negotiations with the Farmers Bank of Willards for land to build locations here and in Willards.

The property owner, Mrs. Atkinson, of 305 Water Street met with Superintendant White on September 28th to discuss plans for the property. She had originally agreed to have the house torn down by August 1<sup>st</sup>, but she was involved in a car accident and was unable to meet the deadline. After discussion, the Commissioners agreed to extend the deadline to December 1<sup>st</sup>.

Commissioner Bradley asked about the property at the corner of Main Street and Joe Morgan Road. Superintendant White stated the owner had said they would begin to clean up the lot and he sees no progress this week he will send violation letters.

Commissioner Bradley asked about the water meter for the MERC barge. He did not see it on the hydrant they were hooked up to; Superintendant White stated the meter was on the barge for security and they will be paying for the water they used.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

President Gosnell stated there is a position open on the Tri-County Council for a municipal representative if either Commissioner is interested in serving.

The Commissioners reviewed changes to the Open Meetings Act that became effective October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Superintendant White reported on issues at the sewer plant. First there was an air leak in plant one. The levels were lowered to repair it, and MDE was notified as required. A few days later, there were issues with the controllers and the pumps were clogged up with debris from the 14 inches of rain we had received over recent days. A technician came to work on the controllers

and ASAP came to clean out the debris from the pumps. A back up pump was rented in case one of the pumps failed. Everything was placed back online and is running smoothly for now. Superintendent White would like the generator to be connected to the alarm system at the sewer plant so they will be alerted if it kicks out. There is the potential for a hurricane to affect our area later in the week and preparations are being made for that.

The annual financial audit was distributed to the Commissioners to review for the next meeting.

Commissioner Thompson commented that the water tower exterior is looking green again already, maybe from dirt washing off the top from all of the rain we have had.

Commissioner Schneider suggested that if necessary, to post on online any hurricane warnings and preparedness information.

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

President Gosnell adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Adkins  
Commission Secretary