

SHEPHERDSTOWN SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 8, 2026 – 6:30 p.m.

Town Hall – 104 North King Street and via Zoom

1. Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Attendance

- a. **Members Present** James Gatz (J Gatz), Marty Amerikaner (M Amerikaner), Marcy Bartlett (M Bartlett), Linus Bicker (L Bicker), Shannon Thomas (S Thomas), Carrie Blessing (C Blessing) (ZOOM)
- b. **Members Absent** Cheryl Roberts (C Roberts)
- c. **Staff Present** Amy Boyd (A Boyd), Gino Sisco (G Sisco), Hunter Wetzel (H Wetzel)
- d. **Visitors Present:** [First Name, Last Name (First Initial Last Name)] *Visitors that will be providing information to the meeting.*

3. Public Comment None

4. Canvassing and Declaring the Results of the June 2 Shepherdstown Municipal Election

- a. The mayor thanked the poll workers and staff for their work on the election.
- b. It was reported by Recorder Marty Amerikaner that there were no spoiled, absentee, challenged, provisional, or mail-in ballots, and that all ballots cast were counted.
- c. The following vote totals were reported: James Gatz, Mayor – 114; Harriet Pearson, Recorder – 117; Ashleigh Sanders, Town Council – 94; Jim Auxer, Town Council – 86; Marcy Bartlett, Town Council – 111; Joe Yates, Town Council – 96; Cheryl Roberts, Town Council – 111. Total voters: 131. Registered voters: approximately 806.
- d. Motion made by Marcy Bartlett to declare the voting totals as the official results of the June 2, 2026, Shepherdstown Municipal Election. Seconded by Linus Bicker. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Setting the Recount Request Bond Amount

- a. Motion made by Shannon Thomas to set the recount request bond at \$100.
- b. Seconded by Marcy Bartlett. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Real Estate Matters

- a. Motion made by Marcy Bartlett to enter Executive Session pursuant to West Virginia Code § 6-9A-4 to discuss real estate matters. Seconded by Marty Amerikaner. Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Council entered Executive Session and later returned to open session.

- c. Following the Executive Session, a motion was made by Shannon Thomas to approve the resolution to authorize the mayor to enter into a purchase agreement on behalf of the Town to purchase the Shepherdstown Elementary School property. Seconded by Marcy Bartlett. Motion passed unanimously.

7. Mayor's Report

- a. The Mayor reported that the bond financing briefing scheduled for the following day would be postponed.
- b. Council was informed that the finance discussion with the Water Board was scheduled for June 11, 2026.

- 8. Adjourn:** Motion made by Marcy Bartlett to adjourn meeting at 7:12 p.m. Seconded by Linus Bicker. Motion passed unanimously.