

MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF SHARPSBURG, MARYLAND
ORDINANCE 2025-01;
AN ORDINANCE to ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2026
BUDGET AND TAX RATES FOR THE TOWN OF SHARPSBURG, MARYLAND

WHEREAS, the Town of Sharpsburg is a municipal corporation of the State of Maryland expressly authorized by Maryland Code Annotated, Local Government Article, Section 5-205(b)(1) to expend any municipal funds for any purpose deemed to be public and to affect the safety, health and general welfare of the municipality and its occupants; and

WHEREAS, the Charter of the Town of Sharpsburg, Article 6, Finance prescribes the manner in which the Town shall submit, adopt and operate a budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council held a Public Hearing on June 2, 2025; for which said Ordinance is introduced for the purpose of adoption of the budget and to set the tax rates for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026; and

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Sharpsburg that:

Section 1. Fiscal Year 2026 Budgets. That the Fiscal Year 2026 Budgets are hereby approved and/or as amended hereinafter, attached hereto as "Exhibit A", providing the estimated and anticipated revenue and expenditures for the Governmental Funds for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Section 2. Real Property Tax Rate. The tax rate on all real property located within the limits of the Town of Sharpsburg is hereby set at \$0.3500 per \$100.00 of assessed property value. The assessed property values shall be those used for real estate tax purposes as determined by the Washington County office of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

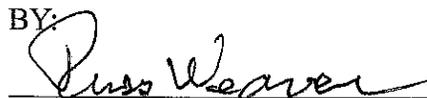
Section 3. Personal Property Tax Rate. The tax rate applicable to personal property located within the limits of the Town of Sharpsburg is hereby set at \$0.875 per \$100.00 of assessed personal property. The assessed property values shall be those used for personal property tax purposes as determined by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation.

ATTEST:



Debra A. Valentine-Smith, Town Clerk

BY:



Russell L. Weaver, Mayor

Date of Introduction: June 2, 2025

Date of Passage: June 2, 2025

Effective Date: July 1, 2025

TOWN OF SHARPSBURG		FY24	FY25	FY25	FY26	COMMENTS
FY26 PROPOSED BUDGET- (FINAL DRAFT)		ACTUAL	ADOPTED	YTD	PROPOSED	
INCOME						
4110	Taxes - Real Property	172,617	180,328	180,822	197,531	maintain CTR (0.3500)
4130	Taxes - Personal Property	6,959	15,000	14,579	15,000	
4150	Taxes - Penalties & Interest	-4,913		-5,266	-5,000	
4200	Permits - Planning & Zoning	1,212	1,500	1,410	1,000	
4210	BL- Local Traders			139	150	
4430	Taxes-State Shared Highway	84,463	82,730	75,653	91,795	per MDOT FY26 Estimate
4510	Local Income Taxes	97,555	86,000	57,944	80,000	Based on audit actual
4520	Hotel/Motel Funds	18,815	20,000	17,219	20,000	
4710	Interest and Dividends	16,350	1,000	14,448	16,500	
4770	Cable Television Fees	5,193	6,400	5,394	5,000	
4890	Contributions	4,051	2,500	2,000	2,000	
2630	Wash. Co. Pmt in Lieu of Bond	387	500	402	500	
4910	Memorial Day Parade Funds	15,673	10,000	9,000	20,000	
	MD Heritage Areas Program	5,608	0	5,608	0	
	Historical-Pocket Park Project		370,122	192,885	0	
	POS	64,800	0	64,800	0	
4999	Other, Income	10,368	0	15,190	0	
5000	Special Events Income		0	410	500	
TOTAL INCOME		499,138	745,000	687,897	442,377	
EXPENSES						
5201	MD Municipal League	1,815	2,000	2,772	3,000	MML Conference
5213	Election Board salaries		500	353	0	
5310	Memorial Day Expenses	31,308	25,000	15,955	35,000	
5422	Office Supplies	1,000	1,200	753	1,200	
5510	Accounting and Legal	20,000	20,000	18,314	20,000	audit 13,200
5525	Office Equipment & Maint	12,000	5,000	3,628	7,500	2-laptops w/Microsoft for Zoning Admin/CM Waters
5530	Office Software	1,600	1,500	3,306		quickbooks, adobe, website
5719	Municipal Building Utilities	8,500	8,500	8,259	8,500	
5730	Municipal Building - Maint/Repair	5,000	5,000	6,082	6,000	
5736	Municipal Building - Cleaning	5,000	5,000	5,380	6,000	
5737	Municipal Building - Sec/Elev	2,000	3,000	4,887	4,000	
5840	Donations	1,000	5,000	5,555	5,000	
5860	Telephone/Internet	2,800	3,500	5,034	6,000	Increase for town cell phones
5866	Misc Expense	500	150	873	500	
5900	Police Protection - County		23,622	22,785	25,331	add 10% increase
6010	Surveying/Engineering Costs	2,000	2,000	5,886	2,000	
6020	Highways/Streets - Lighting	15,000	15,000	14,790	18,000	
6050	Highways/Streets - Maint	60,000	30,000	7,119	30,000	
6051	Snow Removal		30,000	32,877	30,000	contract ends 12/31/26/out for bid in October 2025
6070	Interest Expense			1,687	0	
6090	Mowing	25,000	15,000	15,758	20,000	
6210	Waste Collection	55,000	60,000	51,430	60,000	
6220	Brush Removal	7,500	7,000	10,110	10,000	added a spring collection
6300	Park - Operating Expenses	60,000	45,000	17,421		
6310	Park - Repairs	3,000		508	30,000	
6312	Park-Utilities	1,200	3,500	294		
6350	Historic Park	22,400	411,247	192,885	0	
6401	Pond Utilities	5,500	1,000	685	1,500	will increase with fountain
6401	Pond Maintenance	5,500	1,000	4,979	2,000	
6410	Advertising	300	500	515	500	
6415	Postage	500	500	352	500	
6425	Banner Expenses	7,000	500	4,920	0	re-evaluate for FY27
6460	Special Events	15,000	5,000	4,587	10,000	
6500	Lutheran Cemetery - Historical	10,000	6,000	0	5,000	
6506	Big Spring maintenance	25,000	0	181	15,622	15,622. restoration
6510	Streetscape	10,000	0	1,340	0	
6520	Water Rebates	82,000	0	36,790	0	
6540	Council Expense	3,000	3,000	200	3,000	
6545	Grant Writing	5,000	1,000	0	0	
6550	Mayors Discretionary Fund	3,000	3,200	2,533	3,200	
6630	Insurance - Commercial	3,600	3,500	-221	3,500	
6640	Insurance - Worker's Comp	1,000	100	698	1,000	
6650	Insurance - Crime Bond	200	250	254	250	
6670	Employee Payroll	39,543	44,240	40,707	48,447	
6680	Payroll Taxes/Unemp	2,895	4,000	3,193	4,000	
6840	Capital Outlay		0	22,698	9,427	sound system upgrade
6900	Town Museum	6,614	9,000	7,905	9,000	give 7,000 - *carry 2,000/earmark as reserve in audit
TOTAL EXPENSES		669,273	910,696	867,017	441,977	
NET INCOME		-170,135	-165,696	-179,120	0	BALANCE BUDGET

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