

**SHARPSBURG MAYOR AND COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING
ORDINANCE 2025-01; FY26 GENERAL BUDGET
JUNE 2, 2025
6:00 PM**

The Mayor and Council of Sharpsburg, MD held a Public Hearing on Monday, June 2, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. 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, and Councilmember Ed Beeler. Councilmembers Joseph Kudla and Heather Waters attended via Zoom. Town Administrator Debra Smith was also present.

Mayor Weaver stated that the proposed budget was reviewed in public work sessions held on April 28th and May 27th.

Town Administrator Debra Valentine-Smith reviewed the highlights of the final draft.

Income:

Real Property Taxes (maintain the current tax rate of .35/\$100 of assessed value)	197,531
Personal Property Taxes	15,000
State Highway User Revenue	91,796
County Hotel/Motel	20,000
Local Income Taxes	80,000
Memorial Day Parade Grant/Funds	20,000
Interest/Dividends	16,500

Expenses:

Memorial Day Parade	35,000
Accounting and Legal	20,000
County Police Protection	25,331
Street Maintenance	30,000
Snow Removal (<i>Current contract expires 12/31/25</i>)	30,000
Mowing	20,000
Waste Collection	60,000
Park Operating	30,000
Special Events	10,000
Big Spring Restoration	15,622
Town Museum	9,000
Employee Payroll/Taxes	48,447
Total proposed income:	\$444,977
Total proposed expense:	\$444,977
Net Income:	(0)

Mayor Weaver opened the floor for public comments.

- William Turner of 16913 Sprecher Rd inquired about the variation between the FY 25 adopted budget, the FY25 YTD and the FY26 proposed budget for the park operating expense.
- Brian Yurek of 215 W. Main Street inquired about the removal of funding allotted for a grant writer. It was stated that the grant writing for the town is no longer out-sourced.

Motion by Vice Mayor Martz, second by Councilmember Beeler to close the public hearing at 6:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra A. Valentine-Smith
Town Administrator